



## WHAT'S ON AT IPAA



IPAA ACT | 3 DECEMBER 2021

### WHO WANTS TO BE THE NEXT OMBUDSMAN? HINTS FOR POTENTIAL APPLICANTS

IPAA ACT is pleased to host a Valedictory Address by Michael Manthorpe PSM, the former Commonwealth Ombudsman, who retired from his role at the end of July. [More >>](#)



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### 2021 ANNUAL ADDRESS TO THE AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC SERVICE

IPAA ACT, in partnership with the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Australian Public Service Commission, presents the *2021 Annual Address to the APS* featuring a keynote address from Philip Gaetjens. [More >>](#)



IPAA ACT | 9 DECEMBER 2021

### 2021 EA SERIES FINALE: THE SES-EA PARTNERSHIP

Featuring senior public sector leaders and their EAs who will consider the value and importance of the SES-EA relationship, including what these partnerships look like at their best and how they can be most effective during times of change. [More >>](#)



IPAA SOUTH AUSTRALIA | 2 DECEMBER 2021

### WOMEN, GENDER AND PUBLIC POLICY MASTERCLASS

In this Masterclass, Flinders University's Dr Jodie Curth-Bibb will explore the different lenses and assumptions that underpin attempts to achieve gender equity in public policy. It will consider how different solutions derive from different ways of imagining the problem. [More >>](#)



**IPAA** ACT | SPIRIT OF SERVICE AWARDS

## DID YOU KNOW?

We've been given permission by the Winanggaay Ngunnawal Language Group to align the word 'Gurumbal' with our Spirit of Service Awards. In this video, Aunty Jude Barlow talks about the true meaning of 'Gurumbal' and how it relates to Spirit of Service.



Has your team been valiant and produced award-worthy work lately?

Nominate for a Spirit of Service Award [here >>>](#).

## PODCASTS

# WORK WITH PURPOSE

### LATEST EPISODE

#### 'THE IMPACT ON INFRASTRUCTURE' WITH ALISON PLAYFORD AND DR RACHEL BACON

Government agencies, across jurisdictions, have been working hard to embrace the impact of COVID-19 and plan how to best respond moving forward. Infrastructure is no stranger to this. Spanning transport, to city and regional development, to communications, the pandemic has certainly reshaped the future of this vital sector. In this latest episode we are joined by Dr Rachel Bacon, Deputy Secretary of Regional, Cities and Territories at the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications, and Alison Playford, Director-General at Transport Canberra and City Services. They chat with guest host, Michael Sanese, Senior Manager at PwC and IPAA ACT Future Leaders Committee member, about Australia's infrastructure landscape, COVID-19 recovery plans, managing supply and demand, working across jurisdictions and leading in a crisis. [Listen to the podcast or read the transcript >>>](#)

### UPCOMING EPISODES

MONDAY 6 DECEMBER 2021

#### WORKING FROM HOME

**Michael Brennan** | Chair, Productivity Commission

**Dr Sue Williamson** | Associate Professor Human Resources Management, School of Business, University of NSW, Canberra

MONDAY 31 JANUARY 2022

#### WOMEN IN ECONOMICS

**Cherelle Murphy** | Chief Economist, Austrade

**Dr Leonora Risse** | Senior Lecturer, Economics, RMIT and National Chair, Women in Economics Network

## NEWS AND RESOURCES



### BULLYING AND HARASSMENT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

The vast majority of public servants behave respectfully and civilly to their colleagues. But surveys show bullying is significantly more widespread than codes of conduct or workers' compensation claims suggest. Dr Gordon de Brouwer PSM, IPAA National President, explores bullying and harassment in public sector workplaces across Australia. [More >>](#)



### OUR FUTURE'S IN THE 'CARE' ECONOMY

Without significant investment in social infrastructure and the 'care' economy, Australia's long-term economic prosperity is at risk. That was the underlying message of Chief Executive Women's President Sam Mostyn AO during her National Press Club address, in which she outlined her vision for an inclusive post-pandemic economy and society. [More >>](#)



### STATE OF THE SERVICE REPORT RELEASED

The State of the Service Report 2020–21 was released this week, identifying the year-on-year trends in workforce participation and capability across the APS. It examines the APS workforce, workplace and capacity building for the future. [More >>](#)

## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

### STATES OF MIND | THE IMPORTANCE OF MENTAL HEALTH IN THE WORKPLACE

4 NOVEMBER 2021

While this event was only held last month, the content was so rich that we feel compelled to bring it back to your attention. **Dr Ashley Hay**, Editor, Griffith Review facilitated an exploration of the importance of mental health challenges with a distinguished panel of senior leaders, including **Dr Steven Kennedy PSM**, **Professor Patrick McGorry AO** and **Professor Pat Dudgeon**. The discussion covered psychological, psychiatric and economic dimensions of the mental health question in depth. The panel drew on its considerable personal and professional background to consider what has worked well and what needs improvement to meet our mental health challenges, and issued a hopeful call to action for the public sector and the wider citizenry to continue to develop its policies and approaches. Watch the event [here](#) and via the link below, or read the [transcript](#) on the [IPAA website](#).



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If there are events, content, speakers and themes you would like on our program, please [reach out](#) and let us know!

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