



Good morning

Hello and welcome to IPAA Connect, our fortnightly collection of curated content and resources from across the public sector.

We have an amazing array of events for members coming up, including a [Secretary Series](#) event with Michael Pezzullo AO, a deep dive into [lessons from the GFC](#), and the launch of the [APS Disability Employment Strategy](#). We're also delighted to be able to bring you an in-person [Annual Address](#) to the APS, as we move into a new COVID-safe normal in the ACT.

If there are events, content, speakers and themes you want on our program for 2021, please [reach out](#) and let us know!

Yours
Caroline

Caroline Walsh
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ON UNITY: THE ELEMENTS OF SOCIAL COHESION

25 NOVEMBER | IN PERSON AND ONLINE

Michael Pezzullo AO, Secretary of the Department of Home Affairs, will deliver IPAA ACT's next *Secretary Series* address. Mr Pezzullo will explore the factors contributing to social cohesion and the impact of globalisation, communication and technology. Details and registration [here](#).



APS DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT STRATEGY 2020-25

3 DECEMBER | ONLINE

Join IPAA, the APSC and the Department of Social Services to launch the new *Australian Public Service (APS) Disability Employment Strategy 2020-25*. Dr Ben Gauntlett, Disability Discrimination Commissioner, and an expert panel will discuss how the APS can deliver on the intention of the Strategy. Details and registration [here](#).



PUBLIC POLICY LESSONS FROM THE GLOBAL FINANCIAL CRISIS

8 DECEMBER | NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY

Join us for a truly unique event that coincides with the release of papers highlighting the observations of key policy makers during the global financial crisis, with ramifications for current and future decision making. Speakers include Dr Ken Henry AC, Dr Malcolm Edey, David Tune AO PSM and Meghan Quinn PSM. Details and registration [here](#).



ANNUAL ADDRESS TO THE APS

15 DECEMBER | REALM HOTEL

Philip Gaetjens, Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, will provide a keynote address to the Australian Public Service. Followed by a panel discussion with Professor Brendan Murphy, Rebecca Skinner and Katherine Jones PSM, reflecting on the year that has been and the road ahead. Details and registration [here](#).



EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT END OF YEAR EVENT

16 DECEMBER | REALM HOTEL

IPAA's Executive Assistant (EA) Committee would like to extend an invitation to all support staff and their Executives to attend the 2020 End of Year Event. Hear from a panel of senior executive assistants as they reflect on an extraordinary year and lessons going forward. Details and registration [here](#).

WORK WITH PURPOSE: UPCOMING PODCASTS

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Monday 23 November

Sandra Parker PSM | Fair Work Ombudsman

Sue Weston PSM | Chief Executive Officer, Comcare

Monday 7 December

Professor Mark Evans FIPAA | Director, Democracy 2025, Museum of Australian Democracy

Michelle Grattan AO | Chief Political Correspondent, The Conversation and Professorial Fellow, University of Canberra

Monday 21 December

Professor Paul Kelly | Acting Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health

WORK WITH PURPOSE: LATEST RELEASE

'NATIONAL SERVICE, INDIVIDUAL PURPOSE' WITH LIZ COSSON AM CSC

A shared sense of purpose and mission enables teams to achieve extraordinary outcomes for the people they serve. How do you tap into this when staff are distributed across working arrangements and the Australian Public Service as a whole? The first female Major General of the Australian Army, and now Secretary of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, Liz Cosson AM CSC, shares insights into how she and her department serve the nation. Listen to the podcast or read the transcript on our [website](#).



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USEFUL TOOLS



PM&C's 2021-23 ICT STRATEGY RELEASED

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's [2021-23 ICT Strategy](#) is now available. The Strategy highlights PM&C's ICT services and strategic priorities, and how it will guide their investment decisions, approaches and practices through to 2023.



RELECTIONS ON WORKING WITH FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITIES

The things that motivates researchers to work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, and the opportunities their research brings to communities, were the focus of a series of interviews recently undertaken by publishing company Wiley. More on the IPAA [website](#).



HOW TO EFFECTIVELY BRIEF A SENIOR LEADER

At an IPAA Future Leaders Program session last week, the panellists spoke of the importance of being able to quickly and effectively get your message across to senior executives. This timely Harvard Business Review [article](#) provides an overview of the essential skills to successfully brief upwards.

AT WORK WITH IPAA



(This is getting dangerously close to sounding like we're blowing our own horn, however we promise we're not...)

We just wanted to say how absolutely awe-inspired we have been with our event and Work with Purpose speakers this year. It's been a privilege listening to public servants, academics, and representatives from business and not-for-profit sectors speak passionately and intelligently about their areas of expertise, and how they and their colleagues are working tirelessly to make Australia, and the world, a much better place.

We've seen shining examples of dedication, humility, aptitude, empathy, tutelage, collaboration and guardianship.

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It's been a massive, challenging year, however thanks to our 'talent' it's definitely been worth it.

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IPAA ACT acknowledges the traditional owners and custodians of country throughout Australia, and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.

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