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OUR WEEKLY CHECK-IN 2 SEPTEMBER 2020



Good morning

Welcome to the latest edition of 'IPAA Connect', a weekly collection of curated content and resources from across the public sector.

We were excited to launch our first *Future Leaders Program* for 2020 yesterday, which is being delivered as a hybrid of physical and online events. The launch was held in the National Portrait Gallery (it was great to be back!) with a smaller audience of 40 future leaders from across the public sector.

Dr Michele Bruniges AM was the keynote speaker, and provided some great reflections from her career in the Commonwealth, NSW and ACT Governments. I'd like to thank the team at ACT Health for providing the guidance that enabled us to deliver the program in a safe manner.

We now have 25 'Work with Purpose' podcast episodes under our belt, and think it's time to seek your feedback on what you would like from the series over the months ahead. Take our quick <u>survey</u> and tell us what direction we should take from here.

If you have any ideas you'd like to discuss, you can contact me here.

Drew Baker Chief Executive Officer IPAA ACT



Launch of the 2020 Future Leaders Program at the National Portrait Gallery.

WORK WITH PURPOSE

EP#21: 'PARLIAMENT POWERS ON' WITH ROB STEFANIC AND CATE SAUNDERS

As the heart of the Australian democracy, Parliament is a critically important institution, with Parliament House standing proudly as the "city within a city". In this week's episode we speak with the Secretary of the Department of Parliamentary Services, Rob Stefanic, and Deputy Secretary Cate Saunders, about how their team joined in the APS whole-of-government effort to help the Australian people. Listen to the podcast on our <u>website</u>.



WORK WITH PURPOSE

Monday 7 September | Global Perspectives

Bernadette Welch PSM | Former Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health and Medical Services, Fiji

Monday 14 September

Philip Gaetjens | Secretary, Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Monday 21 September

Dr Steven Kennedy PSM | Secretary, The Treasury Matt Comyn | Chief Executive Officer, Commonwealth Bank of Australia

Monday 28 September

Innovation Award Winners | Australian Taxation Office and Services Australia

Monday 5 October

Andy Penn | Chief Executive Officer, Telstra

Recommend a future speaker here.

WHAT'S ON @ IPAA







IPAA ACT | DIPLOMACY ON THE FRONT LINE 2 SEPTEMBER 2020 | STREAMED EVENT

Join us today for a conversation between Frances Adamson, Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and General Angus Campbell AO DSC, Chief of the Defence Force, on diplomacy and security during this unique time in history. Details <u>here</u>.

IPAA ACT | ECONOMIC RECOVERY SCENARIOS 10 SEPTEMBER 2020 | LIVE-STREAM EVENT

Chris Richardson will deliver an update on economic impacts for Australia's COVID-19 recovery. Joined by Dr Jenny Gordon, DFAT's Chief Economist; Andrew Charlton, Director of AlphaBeta and Renée Fry-McKibbin, Professor of Economics at the ANU. Register <u>here</u>.

IPAA ACT | APS POLICY THROUGH COVID-19 15 SEPTEMBER 2020 | LIVE-STREAM EVENT

This event will capture the perspectives of senior policy leaders from across the public sector during the COVID-19 pandemic, including drivers of innovation, creative solutions, changes to process and other new or re-imagined ideas. Details and registration <u>here</u>.



IPAA SA | 'VIRTUAL ON THE COUCH' SERIES WITH MICHELLE EDGE 4 SEPTEMBER 2020 | ONLINE EVENT

Michelle Edge, Chief Executive of Primary Industries and Regions South Australia, will share her thoughts on leadership frameworks, models and mantras that she finds particularly useful during these difficult times. Details and registration <u>here</u>.

IPAA SURVEY | 'WORK WITH PURPOSE' PODCASTS



WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM OUR PODCAST SERIES?

Since the beginning of April, IPAA ACT and contentgroup, with the support of the Australian Public Service Commission, have published weekly episodes of the '<u>Work with Purpose</u>' podcast series.

Five months on, we want to know if you are listening to the podcast. If you are, what would you like to hear more of? If you're not listening, what's stopping you?

Help guide the content and format of our podcast series by taking a minute to complete our <u>survey</u>.

USEFUL TOOLS



FREE ONLINE BEHAVIOURAL INSIGHTS COURSE

The Behavioural Economics Team of the Australian Government has a free <u>online course</u> - *Behavioural Insights for Public Policy*. It's an introductory course to help you apply behavioural insight concepts to your work in the APS and includes six learning modules that take about two hours in total.



DESIGN THINKING FOR POLICY

New Zealand's Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has excellent <u>resources</u> on how to apply design thinking - also known as human-centred design, co-design and participatory design - to policy development. Design thinking methods help incorporate the end user's perspective into policy design.



Meet Ben Curry, Producer at contentgroup.

While Ben is not officially an IPAA staffer, he is one of the key players behind the delivery of IPAA's larger face-to-face events (oh, how we miss those!) and all of our Work with Purpose podcasts.

We're not shy about extolling Ben's virtues. For starters, he's a highly experienced and talented multimedia producer. Ben's also uber generous with his time and expertise AND has the patience of a saint – qualities which we have truly coveted while learning how to produce and deliver our own online content.

Thank you Ben. We're chuffed to have you on our side ... along with the rest of the amazing contentgroup crew of course!

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