



Good morning

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

We have just confirmed the details for an online event with Frances Adamson and General Angus Campbell AO DSC. Their discussion will focus on diplomacy's contribution to Australia's security, both here and abroad, and will be streamed next Wednesday 2 September. Further details are below or on our [website](#).

In this week's Work with Purpose [episode](#), Microsoft Australia's Steve Worrall and CSIRO's Dr Larry Marshall talk about their collaborations, the COVID-19 vaccine and developing resilience for a post pandemic environment.

On a personal note, I'd like to sincerely thank Fiona Hess who has stepped down as Chair of IPAA's Executive Assistant (EA) Series Committee. Fiona has led the Committee since inception and helped to build this *tour de force* of a group, and EA event series from the ground up.

If you have any ideas you'd like to discuss, you can [contact me here](#).

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WORK WITH PURPOSE

EP#20: LET'S STICK TOGETHER WITH STEVE WORRALL AND DR LARRY MARSHALL

In this week's episode, which was recorded during National Science Week, we bring together Steve Worrall, Managing Director of Microsoft Australia and Dr Larry Marshall, Chief Executive at CSIRO, who have been working in Australia's best interests since well before the beginning of the pandemic. Listen to the podcast on our [website](#).



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WORK WITH PURPOSE: UPCOMING PODCASTS

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Thursday 27 August | A National Perspective

Erma Ranieri | SA Commissioner for Public Sector Employment

Monday 31 August

Rob Stefanic | Secretary, Department of Parliamentary Services

Cate Saunders | Deputy Secretary, Department of Parliamentary Services

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

WHAT'S ON @ IPAA



IPAA ACT | DIPLOMACY ON THE FRONT LINE

2 SEPTEMBER 2020 | STREAMED EVENT

Join us 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 and registration [here](#).



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. Details [here](#).



WILLIAMS ORATION | DR CHRISTINE MORGAN

22 SEPTEMBER 2020 | NATIONAL PORTRAIT GALLERY AND ONLINE

Christine Morgan, CEO of the National Mental Health Commission and National Suicide Prevention Adviser to Prime Minister Scott Morrison, will deliver the 2020 Williams Oration. Details [here](#).



IPAA WA | SEAMLESS DIGITAL GOVERNMENT

14 OCTOBER 2020 | ONE-DAY CONFERENCE

Western Australia's digital transformation program will be focus of this one-day conference exploring the reform objectives of the Office of Digital Government, as they relate to data sharing and analytics, service delivery, the digital divide and cybersecurity. Details and registration [here](#).

USEFUL TOOLS



APS DATA PROFESSIONAL STREAM

The APS Data Professional Stream will be launched with a virtual event on 16 September, delivered in partnership with the Australian Public Service Commission and the Australian Bureau of Statistics. Register your interest in the launch event [here](#).



COMMONWEALTH ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER WORKFORCE STRATEGY 2020-24

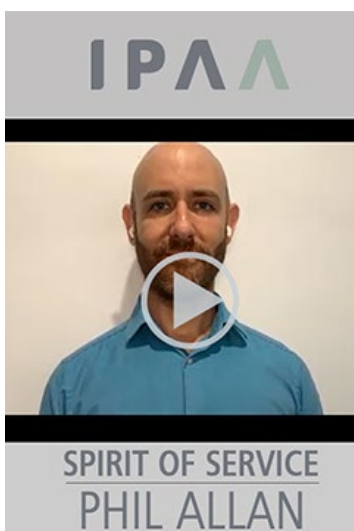
The [Commonwealth Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce Strategy 2020-24](#) has been developed to strengthen Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment opportunities and participation in the APS. The strategy can be found on the APSC website [here](#).



WHAT WILL DEMOCRACY LOOK LIKE IN A POST COVID-19 WORLD?

Democracy 2025 is calling for ideas through a new international project aimed at strengthening democratic practice and identifying pathways to reform. Get involved [here](#).

SPIRIT OF SERVICE



PHIL ALLAN DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS

Enjoy the latest video in our [Spirit of Service](#) series, which showcases the diverse personal experiences of passionate and hardworking APS staff responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This week's SoS features Phil Allan, Queensland Public Affairs Officer with the Australian Border Force Media Team at the Department of Home Affairs. Phil's most memorable moment of COVID-19 is working with the team that repatriated two plane-loads of Australian citizens to Christmas Island for two weeks before they returned home. He's also in awe of the collegiate, cross-agency response to the COVID crisis.

AT WORK WITH IPAA

This week we say thank you and good luck to Fiona Hess, who has stepped down in her role as Chair of the EA Series Committee.



"Having played a part in the launch of the IPAA EA Series over four years ago; I feel very proud of what we, as a team, have achieved. The Committee has worked hard to provide a unique opportunity for EAs across both the public and private sector to connect and share their experiences.

The EA Series has provided EAs with relevant, professional and valuable offerings that are rare for the EA. I would like to add my personal thanks to the Committee members both past and present, they volunteer their time outside their professional commitments to ensure EAs are supported through the work of the EA Series.

To the IPAA Team – thank you – your professionalism has been paramount. My thanks to Drew Baker who reached out to me four years ago with the concept of the EA Series, none of which would have been possible without his foresight and willingness and ensuring support the EA Series. Lastly to the broader EA community – thank you for your continued support and I wish you success with your career pathways."

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