



Good morning Brenda

IPAA hosted a Secretary Valedictory with Simon Lewis PSM, Secretary of the Department of Veteran's Affairs, prior to his retirement on 18 May. A video of the event is available below.

As we approach the mid-year point, we have some exciting events coming up on the [Research to Policy interface](#), [Regulation](#), [Behavioural Insights](#), and [Risk and Innovation](#) which are all detailed below.

With IPAA's calendar almost full for the remainder of this year, we now turn our heads to 2019. If your organisation has an initiative that you are interested to discuss for IPAA's future program, please [get in touch](#).

Thanks for your ongoing support. I look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events!

Regards

[Drew Baker](#)

Chief Executive Officer
IPAA ACT

UPCOMING EVENTS



[EA Series | Diversity of Experience](#)

Tuesday 5 June 2018 - Department of Agriculture and Water Resources

The EA Series will host a panel of experienced Executive Assistants who will share their diverse perspectives and experiences working across the sector. Panelists will share their insights into the importance of being able to adapt in an ever changing environment. Bookings have closed, however you can contact [IPAA ACT](#) to be placed on the wait list.



[Evidence Perspectives: Redefining the Research-Policy Interface](#)

Wednesday 6 June 2018 - National Portrait Gallery

IPAA, in partnership with the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia (ASSA), will host an event on redefining the research-policy interface. Leading experts will garner new insights into how to span the so-called research-policy 'divide'. Bookings have closed, however you can contact [IPAA ACT](#) to be placed on the wait list.



[Regulating in Fast Moving Times](#)

Wednesday 13 June 2018 - National Gallery of Australia

IPAA, in partnership with the Australian Public Service Commission, will deliver a half-day forum on regulation, including recent regulatory case studies and the introduction of UBER in Canberra. This interactive forum will enable participants to share their own experiences of regulatory challenges and solutions. To register [click here](#).



[Behavioural Insights: Global Perspectives](#)

Thursday 28 June 2018 - National Gallery of Australia

IPAA and the Behavioural Economics Team of the Australia Government (BETA) are excited to host an event to discuss the application of Behavioural Insights (BI) to public policy around the world. David Halpern, Chief Executive of the UK Behavioural Insights Team, will provide a keynote address and lead a panel discussion. To register [click here](#).



[Risk and Innovation in the Public Sector](#)

Tuesday 31 July 2018 - National Portrait Gallery, Parkes

IPAA, in partnership with the Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) will host a discussion on risk and innovation in the public sector. With Innovation month in July, it will be timely to discuss the appetite for risk in the Australian Public Service, and how risk management can support a more innovative and agile public sector. To register [click here](#).



[IPAA 2018 ACT Conference](#)

Wednesday 7 November 2018 - Hotel Realm, Barton

Back by popular demand, IPAA will be hosting it's one-day conference themed 'Fit for the Future?'. This years theme will discuss the public service today and into the future - what is the future state of the Public Sector and how well placed are we to respond? For more information about the conference [click here](#).

RECENT EVENT VIDEO CONTENT



[Secretary Series | Simon Lewis PSM](#)

Tuesday 15 May 2018 - National Portrait Gallery

IPAA hosted the outgoing Secretary of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, Simon Lewis PSM for a special valedictory address to IPAA members and departmental colleagues before his retirement from the APS on 18 May 2018.

Watch Mr Lewis' address below or [click here](#) for more information.



INITIATIVES AND RESOURCES



[2018 Prime Minister's Awards for Excellence](#)

Nominations closed on 31 May 2018 - assessments to commence

IPAA received a substantial amount of nominations for this year's Awards. Nominations will now be assessed against the PIMMS model and potential finalists will be invited to submit a more detailed nomination on 18 June for Stage 2 of the nomination process. [Click here](#) for information.



[IPAA ACT 2018 Mentoring Program](#)

Nominations closed on 25 May - the pairing process has commenced

Nominations have been received for this year's Mentoring Program with successful applicants to be notified shortly. The launch event will kick off on 20 June. This Program provides a unique and exciting development opportunity in building professional careers, connecting people from across the APS and ACT Public Sector. [Click here](#) for more information.



[2018 Public Sector Innovation Awards](#)

Shortlisting of nominations is underway

Assessors are still shortlisting this year's nominations with finalists to be announced later this week. Finalists will then be required to pitch their nominations to a panel of judges on 21 June, with the Awards Ceremony taking place in July as part of Innovation month. For more information about the Awards [click here](#).



[Resource: 'IPAA Speeches 2017' Book](#)

A collection of fifteen addresses by public sector leaders

IPAA has published the 'IPAA Speeches 2017' book which captures fifteen speeches delivered at IPAA events in 2017. Highlights include the Garran Oration by the former Prime Minister of New Zealand, along with speeches delivered by a number of Secretaries and agency heads. The book is available [online](#) or you can contact [IPAA](#) to request a hard copy.



[IPAA ACT Individual Membership - are you a member?](#)

Individual Membership Renewals are due now for 2018-19!

An IPAA membership can connect you to professionals from across the public and private sector, providing access to a range of events and activities, including the IPAA National Conference. The membership is an investment into your future and is tax deductible. For more information contact IPAA's Membership Manager on (02) 6154 9800.

GENERAL INTEREST



[Public service review can spur much-needed modernisation](#)

Opinion piece by IPAA National President, Professor Peter Shergold AC

IPAA's National President, Professor Peter Shergold AC, has published an opinion piece in the Australian Financial Review about how the Government's review can help transform the Australian Public Service. [Click here](#) to read the article.



[IPAA In Brief: Design Thinking and Policymaking](#)

An overview on Design Thinking and Policymaking

Design thinking has the potential to improve problem definition and mechanism design in policymaking processes. By promoting greater understanding of how citizens experience government services, design thinking can support public managers who desire to enhance public value. [Click here](#) to read more.



[BX2018 - Behavioural Exchange Conference](#)

International Behavioural Insights Conference, 25-26 June 2018, Sydney

There's less than one month to go until the BX2018 Conference will be hosted by the Behavioural Economics Team of the Australian Government ([BETA](#)). The conference will bring behavioural insights leaders and practitioners and enthusiasts together from across the world. For more information [click here](#).

RECENT EVENT PHOTOS - SIMON LEWIS PSM VALEDICTORY



(above L-R) Rob Stefanic, Michael Manthorpe PSM, Chris Moraitis PSM, Glenys Beauchamp PSM, Kerri Hartland, Frances Adamson, Simon Lewis PSM, Rosemary Huxtable PSM, Dr Michele Bruniges AM, The Hon John Lloyd PSM, Liz Cosson AM CSC and Daryl Quinlivan



(above L-R) Simon Lewis PSM and Frances Adamson



(above) the audience at the National Portrait Gallery.



(above) Simon presents his Valedictory.



(above) Simon's colleagues listening to his address, including Liz Cosson AM CSC, incoming Secretary of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

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