



# Excellence in Local Government Leadership Program 2013

A program designed specifically for senior executives and elected members to stretch their intellectual boundaries and build strategic leadership capacity.

# **About the School**

In the past, outstanding leaders went overseas to complete their education and management training. This is no longer necessary; ANZSOG is a first tier professional school that enjoys a strong commitment and participation from the highest levels of government and public sector agencies.

In conjunction with our partner universities, the School offers a senior executive program, a masters level program in public administration and other specialised programs for emerging leaders in the public sector. The School's programs focuses on critical elements of public policy, administration and management. These are comparable with programs of leading government business schools and flagship schools around the world.

With the Excellence in Local Government Leadership Program (ELGLP), ANZSOG strengthens its claim to unique engagement with all tiers of government in Australia, New Zealand and the region.

# Partner universities and business schools

The following Universities and Business Schools are Members of the Australia and New Zealand School of Government Limited:

- Australian National University
- Carnegie Mellon University, H. John Heinz III School of Public Policy and Management, Australia
- Charles Darwin University
- Curtin University of Technology
- Flinders University
- Griffith University
- Melbourne Business School Limited
- Monash University
- The University of Melbourne
- The University of New South Wales
- The University of Queensland
- The University of Sydney
- University of Canberra
- University of Tasmania
- University of Western Australia
- Victoria University of Wellington

### **Government members**

- Commonwealth of Australia
- New Zealand
- Australian Capital Territory
- New South Wales
- Northern Territory
- Queensland
- South Australia
- Tasmania
- Victoria
- Western Australia

# **About the Program Partner**

The Australian Centre of Excellence for Local Government, ACELG, is a unique collaboration of universities and professional bodies committed to the advancement of local government. The Centre's vision is to facilitate a world-class local government to meet the emerging challenges of 21st century Australia.

ACELG partners with ANZSOG to develop a cutting edge leadership program for the local government constituency which aims to enhance professionalism and skills in local government, showcase innovation and best practice, and facilitate a better-informed policy debate.



# Welcome

It is with great pleasure that the Australia and New Zealand School of Government (ANZSOG) and the Australian Centre of Excellence for Local Government (ACELG) invite you to take part in the Excellence in Local Government Leadership Program (ELGLP).

This unique program brings together the cream of Australian and New Zealand Mayors, CEOs and Directors. It aims to stretch the intellectual boundaries of its participants and build the strategic leadership capacity of local governments across Australia and New Zealand.

ANZSOG and ACELG are dedicated to promoting outstanding public sector leadership that really works for the benefit of Australian communities.

ACELG was launched in late 2009 and has received substantial endowment funding from the federal government. It is a consortium of the University of Technology Sydney, the University of Canberra, ANZSOG, Local Government Managers Australia, and the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia.

Each year the ELGLP brings together senior participants who will have the opportunity of working with the best academics and practitioners from both Australia and around the world.

We look forward to you joining this exciting program and sharing our pursuit of excellence.

Professor Allan Fels AO

Allan Fels

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# Program overview

The program will challenge current leaders to set the agenda for local government reform in the 21st century. An emphasis is placed on strategic leadership, collaborative governance with other governments, citizens and stakeholders and innovative service delivery.

ELGLP will tackle many of the fundamental questions confronting local government managers who are seeking to build a culture of problem-solving at a local level.

The program will also consider the role that local government can play in:

- harnessing the resources of the community to collectively determine public value and to source and diffuse innovation
- being a collaborator of first resort in local and regional policy and delivery networks
- being a learning organisation and knowledge broker
- · being an employer of choice.

Crucially, this program involves understanding local government as an engine room of economic growth and public value creation. The aim is to provide leaders with a dynamic forum for building networks and a shared commitment to delivering world class local governance.

### **Themes**

- Understanding policy contexts and building strong working relationships
- Leading and managing change and forging a strong CEO-Mayor relationship
- Creating and delivering public value
- Understanding localism
- Problem solving in multi-level governance

"It is putting best practice in reach of those who can spread it."

ELGLP 2011 Alumni

# Learning approach

The format is tailored to the needs and capacities of senior leaders in local government. The emphasis is not on 'one way' didactic lectures, but on interaction between presenters and participants and among participants. Case study discussions, exercises, small group work, peer clinics and other formats draw on and respect participants' experience and knowledge, as well as challenge them to stretch their intellectual boundaries.

### Who should attend

The course is designed specifically for senior executives including mayors and leading elected members in local governments in Australia and New Zealand.

### Reasons to attend

Participants will:

- gain an enhanced understanding of the interplay of the political, policy, demographic and social contexts facing local government
- gain access to frameworks and knowledge designed to assist in unpacking complex problems
- gain greater understanding of the dynamic between national, state and local governments
- develop networks across Australia and New Zealand
- explore emerging issues that affect local governments
- be exposed to the best of international and national academic and practitioner thinking and innovations.



# **Program Presenters**



# Prof Mark Evans Program Leader

Mark is the Director of the ANZSOG Institute for Governance and Professor of Governance at the University

of Canberra. He is a specialist in community governance and is a former local councillor.

Before coming to ANZSOG, Professor Evans designed the University of York's highly successful MPA and associated professional training programs. He has also worked with local partners in Afghanistan, China, Japan, European Union, Kazakhstan, Korea and Vietnam to develop local capacity building programs and lecture on post-war reconstruction and development environments.



## **Paul Porteous**

Paul's extensive leadership experience includes work as a senior diplomat, representative to numerous international organisations including the

United Nations and International Court of Justice, and as a consultant in the United States, South East Asia, Middle East, Europe and Africa. In Australia, Paul is the Executive Director of the Centre for Social Leadership, developing innovative programs across government, business and community sectors focused on social impact, cross-cultural relations and conflict management.



# Jude Munro AO

Jude was formerly the Chief Executive Officer of the Brisbane City Council, the largest local government in Australia with a budget of

\$3.2 billion and 10,000 employees, serving a population of 1.1 million people.

Jude was CEO of the Cities of Moreland and St Kilda in Victoria and the City of Adelaide. She was a Director of the Translink Transit Authority, Brisbane Institute, Australia Trade Coast Pty Ltd, City of Brisbane Investment Corporation, International River Foundation, United Way Queensland, Brisbane Riverfestival, Adelaide City Marketing, Adelaide Convention and Tourism Authority, and the 7th Australian Masters Games Board. She is a former chair of the National Local Government Drugs and Alcohol Committee and Queensland president of the Institute of Public Administration Australia.



# **Prof Gerry Stoker**

Gerry is Professor of Politics and Governance at the University of Southampton, UK. He holds the position of Director of Centre for

Citizenship, Globalisation and Governance. Professor Stoker was the founding Chair of the New Local Government Network which was the think tank of the year in the UK in 2004. He has acted as an advisor to the UK government and the Council of Europe on local government issues over the last decade.

# Dates and location

Monday 18 March – Saturday 23 March 2013 Canberra

# **Scholarships**

ACELG and ANZSOG gratefully acknowledge the generosity of a number of jurisdictions and organisations in Australia and New Zealand in providing scholarships to support meritorious applicants. More details about scholarships can be found on the ANZSOG website: www.anzsog.edu.au

### **Enrolments**

Enrolment forms can be accessed at: www.anzsog.edu.au

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"ELGLP provides the space for leaders in local government to take their heads out of the day to day issues and look into the horizon and have meaningful conversations around new emerging areas."

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