

A two module residential program tailored for the senior leadership of the local government sector

Excellence in Local Government Leadership Program 2011





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Welcome

It is with enormous pleasure that the Australia and New Zealand School of Government (ANZSOG) and the Australian Centre of Excellence for Local Government (ACELG) launch a new national program Excellence in Local Government Leadership.

For the first time, Australian and New Zealand Mayors, CEOs and Directors will be able to experience the equivalent of ANZSOG's highly successful Executive Fellows Program, which has been inspiring national and state officials since 2003.

ANZSOG and ACELG are dedicated to promoting outstanding public sector leadership that really works for the benefit of Australian and New Zealand 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 new Excellence in Local Government Leadership program will bring together up to 40 senior participants who will have the privilege of working with the best academics and practitioners from Australia and around the world.

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

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Lead presenters

Professor Mark Evans

Mark Evans leads the Excellence in Local Government Leadership Program. He is the Director of the ANZSOG Institute for Governance and Professor of Governance at the University of Canberra. Professor Evans 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.

Professor Gerry Stoker

Gerry Stoker is Professor of Politics and Governance at the University of Southampton, UK. He is Director of the Centre for Citizenship, Globalisation and Governance. Professor Stoker was the founding Chair of the New Local Government Network that 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.



Professor Mark Evans



Professor Gerry Stoker

Other presenters

Other presenters include:

Professor John Alford, ANZSOG

Glenys Beauchamp PSM, Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government

Professor Allan Fels AO, Dean, ANZSOG

Professor John Martin, LaTrobe University

Jude Munro, Former CEO, Brisbane City Council

Professor Graham Sansom, UTS Centre for Local Government and Australian Centre of Excellence for Local Government

Professor Claudia Scott, Victoria University of Wellington & ANZSOG

Mr Paul Porteous

Paul Porteous' 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 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.

Mr Peter Thompson

For many years Peter Thompson has been an ABC radio and television broadcaster, and is a leading communications consultant and author. Peter has taught communication to MBA and executive programs at the Australian Graduate School of Management, and advises governments and NGOs on communication strategy. He leads the ANZSOG workshop on Strategic Media Management.

Themes

Understanding context

- Local government in Australia's and New Zealand's systems of governance
- Demographic, social & environmental change
- Community demands & expectations
- Innovations in governance and service delivery

Solving problems

- Public value & the strategic triangle
- Strategic communication
- Building and maintaining the community's trust
- Planning for the medium-long term, managing the present
- Wicked problems

Relationships

- Managing relationships upwards with the political environment
- Managing across the elected/officer divide
- Negotiation, collaboration & co-production with other organisations & citizens
- Managing high performing organisations

Leadership qualities and outcomes

- Leading and managing in environments of rapid and complex change
- Inspiring and empowering others
- Managing conflict
- Instigating reform, overcoming resistance
- Developing personal leadership capabilities

Program overview

The *Excellence in Local Government Leadership Program* is designed to build the capacity of local government leaders:

- to think and act strategically in the community interest
- to forge strong working relationships with CEOs, senior executives and elected members
- to work collaboratively with stakeholders, citizens and other governments
- to deliver high quality citizen-centred services
- to further develop local governments' capability as an equal partner in Australia's and New Zealand's public sectors.

The *Excellence in Local Government Leadership Program* is:

- delivered over two separate week-long residential modules for 40 participants from Australia and New Zealand
- tailored specifically for the distinctiveness and diversity of the local government sector while drawing on ANZSOG's existing expertise
- a dynamic mix of the best of academia and the best of practice.

Who should attend?

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

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, and challenge them to stretch their intellectual boundaries.

Dates and venue

Module I: Monday 18 July - Saturday 23 July

Module II: Monday 5 September - Saturday 10 September

University House
Australian National University
Canberra ACT 0200

Fees

The fee for the 2 residential modules is A\$15,000 (\$12,000 tuition and \$3,000 accommodation) + A\$1,500 GST. Accommodation will be provided Sunday through Friday and the fee includes meals and materials but excludes transport to and from 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 who may otherwise not be able to participate in the program. More details about scholarships can be found on the ANZSOG website www.anzsog.edu.au

Enrolments

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