

# ANNOUNCING THE NEW EIANZ BOARD FOR 2019 - 2021

Bryan Jenkins will be returning for a second term as President, along with Vicki Brady who returns as the Vice-President (Australia). Isobel Oldfield will join the Board as Vice-President (New Zealand); we welcome Isobel to her new role. Mark Breitfuss moves from Ordinary Member and will be the new Secretary. Daniel Lim and Alan Chenoweth are welcomed to the Board as Ordinary Board Members.

The Institute takes this opportunity to thank our outgoing Board members Di Buchan, Paul Keighley and David Johnson for their invaluable contribution over previous terms.



## **BRYAN JENKINS, FEIANZ | PRESIDENT**

My experience comprises 20 years as an environmental consultant preparing EISs and environmental management plans in every state in Australia and overseas in China, India and Southeast Asia; 14 years as chief executive of environmental agencies: in Australia (WA Department of Environmental Protection) and New Zealand (Environment Canterbury); and 8 years as professor at Murdoch University, University of Canterbury, and visiting professor at Stanford University. My qualifications are a first-class honours degree and masters in civil engineering (University of Adelaide), a PhD in environmental planning (Stanford University), and a master of administration (Monash University).

My skills include understanding the role of environmental professionals in the private, public and academic sectors: strategic and innovative thinking in environmental practice (e.g. introducing strategic environmental assessment in WA and regional sustainability strategies in Canterbury); and, chairing professional and voluntary associations (e.g. the Contaminated Sites NEPM, Avon-Otākaro Network Inc - a community group advocating for environmental restoration of the earthquake-damaged Avon-Otākaro River in Christchurch).

I have been a founding member of EIANZ, on the founding executive, currently a Fellow and President of EIANZ. I also have the desire and commitment to employ the role of President to advance the environmental profession.

## **VICKI BRADY, MEIANZ CENVP | VICE-PRESIDENT (AUSTRALIA)**



Since 2015, I have had the privilege of representing the EIANZ as Vice President Australia. In this time, I have developed and implemented the membership strategy and led a team to develop the Institute's Mission, Vision and Values, paving the way for the creation of the next corporate plan.

A review of the membership strategy is currently being completed. Version one brought EIANZ members the opportunity for career breaks to their membership and changed the way we recognised long term retired and Fellow members. The next revision will further develop this strategy, to increase our member value and create more reasons to join and remain a part of our EIANZ family.

I want to see the EIANZ grow and be the professional body of choice for all environmental practitioners, regardless of the stage of their career. To do this, I will work closely with existing working groups on the STEPs Program to implement mentoring Institute-wide and provide career development tools for students and early career practitioners; I will implement the Mission of connecting and supporting environmental practitioners to create a sustainable future; and I will continue to represent the interests of all members at Board discussions.



## **ISOBEL OLDFIELD, MEIANZ CENVP | VICE-PRESIDENT (NEW ZEALAND)**

I have been the EIANZ Student and Early Careers representative for New Zealand for over two years; during this time I have increased student members and engagement with student and early career members across New Zealand. I sit on the New Zealand Executive Committee and was a part of the team that organised the 2017 EIANZ conference and 2018 New Zealand symposium. I also recently gained CEnvP status.

I have enjoyed investing in a role which supports people to realise their potential and helps to ensure that our capability in the sector grows and delivers into the future. This passion was recognised in 2018 when I was the recipient of the Young Environmental Professional of the Year Award. I am looking forward to having the opportunity to continue to promote and advocate for EIANZ within New Zealand.

I have worked as an environmental scientist for over six years for Stantec and am an approved Project Manager. This means I am experienced in managing multiple staff members and stakeholders and that I have experience in working collaboratively. Within Stantec I promoted a proposal to improve diversity and inclusion. I now sit on the Asia Pacific Diversity Council and run the Stantec New Zealand diversity group.



## **ELIZABETH STARK, MEIANZ | TREASURER**

I would be proud to serve the EIANZ for a further term as Board Treasurer (following on from the last two years).

There were challenges and successes in the last term, and I am proud that we now have a strong financial strategy focussed on sustainable growth from 2019-22. The Strategy prioritises member value, professional business processes, ethical spending and transparent, human friendly financial reporting. I'm excited about our opportunities and want to continue working as Treasurer to oversee this strategy implementation.

A little about me – I'm a data scientist who focuses largely on applications to support good environmental management. My vocation is to use computers and maths to solve big problems in urban planning, environmental management and sustainable business operations. I've been a business owner and consultant for 15 years. This gives me a broad knowledge of financial and legal governance, alongside working knowledge of how to grow big things with small, dedicated teams.

I'd appreciate the opportunity to apply these skills as Treasurer for the next two years.



## **MARK BREITFUSS, MEIANZ CENVP | SECRETARY**

For the past two years, I have served the Institute as an Ordinary Board Member. During this time, I have:

- Chaired the Communications Committee
- Contributed to the Corporate Strategic Plan and development of Communications Strategy
- Acted as Secretary of the Institute whilst the real Secretary was on holidays
- Supported SEQ Division as part of the LEAP 2 Summit organizing committee
- Assisted with employing new Central Office staff
- Supported the Board with various operational tasks

I have served as President of the SEQ Division and Chair of the Advisory Council. In these positions I retained operational and financial responsibility, ensuring delivery of member related services and sound governance practices.

I maintain a strong alignment with the Institute Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct. As Secretary of the Institute, I would maintain oversight of the Code, Rules of Association, Bylaws and Statement of Corporate Governance to capably advise the Board on relevant matters of governance or process. Further, I would work closely with Central Office to manage delivery of Board operations. I am keen to continue to advocate the importance of certification and will devote time to my involvement on CEnvP panel assessments and government liaison.



## **ALAN CHENOWETH, FEIANZ CENVP | ORDINARY MEMBER**

I am standing for an EIANZ Board position to continue integrating the successful CEnvP scheme, the developing STEPs program and ethical standards into the life and future of EIANZ.

My 45 year career has paralleled the growth and diversity of the profession, from research, park management, ecology, planning, horticulture, landscape and impact assessment; in consultancy, tertiary teaching, public sector and expert witness roles. After a Churchill Fellowship I established a small interdisciplinary firm in 1991, which subsequently won awards in environmental planning before being acquired by Cardno in 2011.

My record of service to EIANZ was recognised this year by a Life Membership, and previously as Fellow (2006) and Simon Molesworth Award (2008); and includes the 2012 Code of Ethics (co-author), SEQ Vice-President, Council Representative, Conference organisation (2011), Project Manager for STEPs studies and an 8-day proficiency training course for agency officers. Since 2004, I served on the CEnvP Board (Chair 2014-19), standing down after an intensive period of rebuilding. These EIANZ/CEnvP roles benefited from prior experience with other 'green' professions (AILA President 1993-95; AIH President 1998-2000 and PLA Qld President 1984-85). This commitment to the ideals of professionalism is also reflected in my current PhD studies into professional ethics.



## **DANIEL LIM, MEIANZ | ORDINARY MEMBER**

A member since 2014, I have been heavily involved in Students and Early Careers (SEC) initiatives at the Victorian and National level. My experience includes being a founding member of the National SEC Committee, where my role has involved advocating for SEC members at the Board level, driving an increase in SEC initiatives across EIANZ, implementing the EIANZ-wide Mentoring Program, and strategic planning. I have also been fortunate to Chair and grow the Victorian SEC Sub-committee from a single representative, to a committee of over 15 volunteers running multiple SEC-focused initiatives and the Mentoring Program. During this time, I also developed strong working relationships with other organisations and collaborators to improve the reach and diversity of EIANZ's offerings. These efforts were recognised with the Tor Hundloe Award in 2017.

The combination of my career as an Environmental Consultant and my time volunteering with EIANZ has given me a strong foundation in project management, working as part of a diverse team, and driving positive and lasting change within EIANZ. As a Board Member, I will bring a strong record of success, a diverse perspective, and the motivation to continue pushing EIANZ to be an ethical leader in the environmental industry.