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Project Management Achievement Awards

Australian Capital Territory finalists



Established in 2000, the Project Management Achievement Awards (PMAAs) exist to recognise, honour, and promote outstanding achievements in program and project management.

For more than 20 years the PMAAs has been the premier project management awards in Australia, recognising project professionals, organisations, and outstanding projects across industries. With over 10 award categories in construction/engineering, government, ICT/telecommunications, transformation, regional, and sustainable projects (to name a few), the PMAAs offers numerous opportunities to be recognised for your project successes.

Each year project teams across Australia submit their projects which are then assessed by a judging panel of project experts. Winners of each category are awarded in two levels: State and National, and presented at the Project Management Achievement Awards event ceremony.





ACT individual finalists

Rebecca Veness

Rebecca is an experienced Project Director with over 13 years with experience across a wide range of roles and projects, including Government, Infrastructure, Defence, Aviation and Industrial. Rebecca's proven project management expertise, excellent communication and interpersonal skills means she understands the challenges of managing complex projects in operational environments and works closely and collaboratively with clients to overcome challenges in order to achieve strategic objectives. In her current role as Project Director for the National Gallery's Capital Works Program Management Office, Rebecca is responsible for all aspects of governance and delivery of a substantial Capital Works Program.



Leo Cusack

Leo Cusack is a highly experienced senior program and project management professional with a strong focus on delivering high-quality healthcare solutions in challenging and austere environments. With over three decades of experience, including almost fifteen years as an officer in the Australian Army, Leo has led businesses and projects across various industries, including the healthcare industry. Some of his notable recent work includes building UN hospitals in Iraq and standing up a team to counter Ebola in West Africa. Most recently, Leo was the Project Director for Project ASPIRE, which aimed to deliver COVID-19 vaccinations to vulnerable communities across Australia.





Dane Kosky

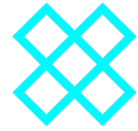
Dane has over 20 years' experience in the construction, building services and public sector industries. Dane is a licenced builder with specialist engineering and design skills, focussing on commercial spaces and building systems. Dane has strong stakeholder management and communication skills ensuring superior client service and the ability to relate to people from various technical, cultural and professional backgrounds. Dane is currently engaged as a Project Manager by the National Gallery of Australia and is responsible for managing the Phase 1 Capital Works Program. The program is centred around upgrades to critical infrastructure and systems to maintain an operational Gallery.



Daniel Gould

A committed Project Management professional with over 10 years' experience working for the Defence and private sectors, Daniel is an AIPM Certified Practising Project Manager with strong commercial experience and an understanding of contracting, negotiation and financial management. Today as Program Manager seconded to the Department of Defence's Navy Minors Capital Program (NMCP), he manages a team of 14 professionals and oversee a \$90 million annual budget to deliver this important Maritime capability. He is also a respected member of Beca's Defence & National Security team, performing the role of Delivery Lead, and was awarded employee of the month in June 2022.





ACT project finalists

Australian Taxation Office (ATO) Program Management Office (PMO)

Our ATO PMO governs all Programs across the ATO Account. This includes supporting the Account in achieving delivery of KPIs, along with BAU elements of the contracts. We reinforce the ATO Program objectives and goals of providing an empowered, inclusive and supportive culture for everyone. Through work processes and solutions, we achieve the objective of continually guiding learning to produce skilled and confident team players. Finally, we aid in maintaining a competitive edge for Leidos through building strong relationships internally and externally. We're innovative champions for change, uplift and are committed to supporting Leidos staff to achieve their strategic objectives.



Navy Minors Capital Program (NMCP)

Established in July 2018, the Navy Minors Capital Program (NMCP) Program Management Office plays a crucial role in successfully delivering a range of 'minor' equipment acquisition projects which collectively enhance the effectiveness of Australia's Maritime capability. Identified as a priority in the 2016 Defence White Paper, Beca were engaged by Navy to add rigour and efficiency to this important process of procuring generally less complex equipment. We continue to support delivery of these capability enhancements through our PMO by fostering an environment of direct collaboration and a focus on best practice delivery, whilst supporting RAN's own objectives.





IPACE Infrastructure PMO

The Program Management Office (PMO) within the Department of Defence's (Defence), International Policy Division's IndoPacific Enhanced Engagement (IPACE) Infrastructure Directorate was established to support infrastructure delivery initiatives to further deepen Defence's engagement with Pacific nations. The PMO is responsible for developing and managing program level governance and frameworks to support effective project delivery and decision-making. This has enhanced the successful delivery of individual projects by improving key elements of project management and achieving standardisation with transparent reporting, applied lessons learned, and best practice approaches.



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