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CEO UPDATE

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September at IPAA ACT has been a busy month filled with conversations about integrity, capability, and pride in purpose.

Yesterday's IPAA National Summit was an immense success, with over 1300 people from across Australia attending online to listen to federal and state/territory leaders discuss trust, pride and integrity in the public sector. For all those who were unable to attend, we'll make a recording available in the coming days.

In the podcast space, we're excited to announce our new Public Sector Unearthed series delivered in partnership with the APS Reform Office. Set up as a Work with Purpose spin-off, Unearthed is about public servants who are driving grassroots change and reform through their work, mentoring, communities of practice, diversity and inclusion networks, and the effective promotion of the values and purpose of the public sector. The first episode of Unearthed is out now - [make sure to listen in.](#)

On 13 October, we would love to see you at our [Future-ready leadership summit](#). In this two-in-one event, you will have the opportunity to learn more about adaptable leadership and explore how the public service can strengthen integrity in light of recent challenges.

Lastly, we're looking forward to a fantastic Spirit of Service Awards gala dinner on 8 November. This year's incredible [finalists](#) across our four awards categories - Collaboration, Community Engagement, Breakthrough, and Learning - won't make it easy for our judges to make a decision. We hope you join us for the big night at the National Arboretum – [registrations](#) are now open.

Best wishes,
Caroline Walsh
CEO, IPAA ACT

WHAT'S ON AT IPAA ACT



IPAA ACT FUTURE LEADERS NETWORKING NIGHT 10 OCTOBER 2023

Join us to connect and engage with all five cohorts of the 2023 Future Leaders Program on the stunning shores of the iconic Lake Burley Griffin! Enjoy complimentary drinks and delicious canapes at The Marion restaurant and network and socialise with your peers across the public service. [Register now >>>](#)



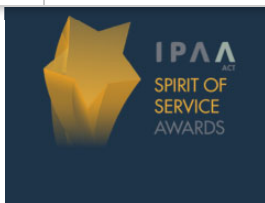
FUTURE-READY LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 13 OCTOBER 2023

Join us for this special **Future Leaders Summit and hackathon** supporting your leadership journey. In this two-in-one event, you will have the opportunity to learn more about adaptable leadership and explore how the public service can strengthen integrity in light of recent challenges. [Register now >>>](#)

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The *Spirit of Service Awards* aim to promote and recognise public sector initiatives that drive positive change for the Australian community. Join us in celebrating outstanding work in the public service at this year's *Spirit of Service Awards* Gala Dinner. [Register now >>>](#)

PODCASTS

WORK WITH PURPOSE



BRINGING PUBLIC SERVICE STORIES TO LIFE

In this teaser episode for our *Public Sector Unearthed* series, our hosts Megan Aponte-Payne and Brock Phyland talk with Anna Ryan, Head of Communications and Engagement at the Australian Public Service Commission, and Caroline Walsh, CEO of IPAA ACT to give you a little taster of what's to come. [Listen here >>>](#)

[>> Work with Purpose EP92 part 1: Driving capability uplift in the Australian Public Service with Dr Rachel Bacon and Dr Subho Banerjee](#)

[>> Work with Purpose EP92 part 2: Exploring capability uplift in the Australian Public Service with Dr Rachel Bacon and Dr Subho Banerjee](#)

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NEWS AND RESOURCES



HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO TO GROW YOUR TEAM'S CAPABILITY

Building capability is a core pillar of ongoing APS reform – but what can public sector leaders do to make it happen? Dr Rachel Bacon from the APS Reform Office and Dr Subho Banerjee from the APS Academy share some practical tips. [Read more >>>](#)



TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY WITH GRANT HEHIR

Catch up on our latest Secretary Series event with Auditor-General **Grant Hehir**, where he delved into the Australian public sector transparency and accountability framework. He highlighted the role of the Australian National Audit Office in ensuring the effectiveness of the framework for achieving transparency, accountability, and improved public administration. [Tune in now >>>](#)

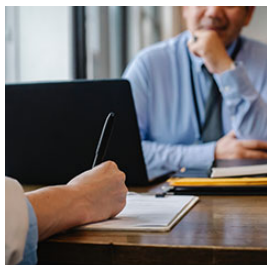
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Public servants are expected to serve the government of the day, and at the same time, keep the public good at the core of their work. Social scientist Dr Millie Rooney and public policy professor Dr Russell Ayres explore how to strike this balance through collaboration between the public sector and civil society. [Here are some practical steps >>>](#)



FIND THE RIGHT TALENT FOR YOUR TEAM

Competition for skilled talent across the APS is tough at the best of times, but now it appears harder than ever. And to top it off, the typical talent sourcing methods are not always successful. Download Hays' [Find the Right Fit](#) report for insights into workforce strategies that can help you find new staff and strengthen your people strategy.

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