

	<p>WIMnet NSW Co-Chair + Hunter Valley, NSW Awards</p> <p>Deirdra Tindale is a seasoned public affairs professional, having provided strategic advice to senior leaders in both the private and public sectors across four continents.</p> <p>Deirdra has been with BHP since 2010 when she was based in London and working on projects in West Africa. She was part of the company’s corporate media relations team before moving to Aus- tralia in 2012. She is currently the Lead Corporate Affairs (NSW) for BHP’s Coal business.</p> <p>While in London, Deirdra was a member of WIM UK. She co-founded the Hunter Valley WIMnet branch in 2013 and has been an active member of WIMnet NSW, holding the positions of Vice-Chair (2014-2015) and Chair (2015-2017).</p> <p>Deirdra was named the 2018 Gender Diversity Champion in NSW Mining - largely for her WIMnet efforts.</p> <p>Prior to joining BHP, Deirdra worked in Canadian politics as a Director of Communications and Deputy Chief of Staff to a federal Cabinet Minister. In 2006, she was named Canada’s Next Great Prime Minister on national television by a panel of four former Canadian Prime Ministers.</p> <p>She has a Master’s degree in Political Science from Laval University in Quebec and a BA in Political Science from Laurentian University in Ontario and the University of Limerick, Ireland.</p> <p>Deirdra is a certified Studio Pilates instructor and runs her own pilates business in the Hunter Valley.</p>
	<p>WIMnet NSW Vice Chair + Mentoring Program, NSW Awards</p> <p>Michelle Lawson is a Financial Controller of Glencore Coal Assets Australia. She currently sits on the Board of Directors of multiple companies within the Glencore group. Additionally, she fulfils the role of Chairman of the Board at several of our Joint Ventures.</p> <p>Michelle has extensive experience in Finance and Management gained from senior positions held in global mining companies and “big four” accounting firms over the past two decades. Michelle has worked in a variety of areas including Commercial Services, Audit, Taxation and Credit Risk Management.</p> <p>With the support and understanding of her husband and extended family, Michelle successfully oversees multiple businesses, as well as managing her young primary school aged son and household.</p> <p>Michelle is an advocate for the mining industry’s development and improvement and she strongly believes women are part of its future. She volunteers in Women in Mining NSW’s mentoring programme each year, which aims to develop a structured, sustainable mentoring process that supports female mentees through career guidance and direction in a traditionally male-dominated industry.</p> <p>In 2015 Michelle was awarded NSW Women in Mining winner for Gender Diversity Champion, finalist in the Women in Resources National Awards and also acknowledged as one of the 100 Global Inspirational Women in Mining 2016. In February 2018 she carried the Queen’s Baton at the XXI Commonwealth Games in recognition of her community contributions.</p> <p>Michelle has a Bachelor of Commerce from James Cook University, is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and AusIMM – The Minerals Institute, a Justice of the Peace in NSW, Co-Chair of the WIMnet NSW Committee and Deputy Chair of the National WIMnet Committee.</p>

	<p>WIMnet NSW Secretary</p> <p>Nicole Prochnau is a mining engineer with international experience working in Australia, Germany and Vietnam. Most recently, Nicole has moved from the Hunter Valley to Tom Price in the Pilbara to work as a Drill and Blast engineer for Rio Tinto.</p> <p>Nicole is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. She holds an Open Cut Examiner Certificate of Competency (NSW).</p> <p>Nicole has completed a B.Sc and M.Sc in mining engineering at RWTH Aachen University in Germany and spent one semester at UNSW in Sydney. After finishing her studies, Nicole moved to Australia and has since then worked for a supplier of mining equipment, in an open cut coal mine and iron ore mine. She has held a variety of roles, including production engineer, mine planning, strategic planning, drill and blast engineer and cargo assembly planner.</p> <p>Nicole was a mentee of the WIMnet NSW 2016 mentoring program and wants to share her experiences with other women in the mining industry.</p>
	<p>Annette Au is a Mine Engineer at South32's Groote Eylandt Mine in the NT. A member of the Planning team, Annette is largely involved in the short-term strategy, sequencing and dig designs of the excavator, dozer and drill fleets.</p> <p>Annette studied a Bachelor of Engineering (Mining) (Honors) at UNSW Australia and in that time was awarded the Minerals Council of Australia WIE Scholarship in 2014 for her vision in creating the Experience It! Student Conference with Engineers Australia Sydney, whom she also held a WIE Scholarship with. Experience It! is an annual STEM learning day for female high school students, designed enlighten female high school about STEM careers and how they can contribute to society.</p> <p>For her work in co-founding the event in 2014 at at 21 years of age, Annette was awarded the Lyceum Club WIE Student Award for Leadership and Engagement and the UNSW Student Service Award - Individual (Highly Commended). A huge success, the STEM conference is now in it's fifth year running with over 120 students in attendance each year.</p> <p>In 2016, Annette accepted a Graduate Engineer role with BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance and moved up to Queensland to work residentially at Goonyella Riverside Mine then FIFO at Caval Ridge Mine. Annette has worked in haulage, drill and blast, dragline and truck and shovel engineering roles under some incredible mentors whom she still keeps in touch with. 18 months into the Graduate Program in 2017, Annette accepted a full-time position at South32's Groote Eylandt Mine.</p>
	<p>Belinda Bird is a Policy Manager with the NSW Minerals Council.</p> <p>Belinda has worked in the exploration and mining sector for over 20 years. She started her career as an Exploration Geologist with Newcrest Mining, working on projects that would become the Cadia, Ridgeway and Cadia East mines. When Cadia was approved, she joined the mine geology team, working as a Ore Control Team Leader before completing a postgraduate degree in environmental engineering and moving into environmental management and project approvals. She has a technical specialisation in environmental geochemistry for mine closure and acid rock drainage.</p> <p>Belinda current works in minerals policy, with a specific focus on mine closure, exploration, water and women in mining.</p> <p>She has a strong interest in encouraging girls into and supporting women in STEM careers.</p> <p>Belinda is part of the Communications Sub-Committee and sits on the Women in Resources National Awards Committee.</p>

	<p>Deborah Caudle is Director and Regional Co-Head of Metals and Mining at Société Générale with over 18 years' experience in the mining sector. Société Générale is one of the leading financial services groups in Europe, with significant presence in Asia Pacific.</p> <p>Originally qualified as a metallurgical process engineer, Deborah spent 8 years working for BHP Billiton in a variety of roles including Process Engineer at HBI/Boodarie Iron in Port Hedland, Project Engineer and Commissioning Superintendent at Queensland Nickel in Townsville, and Senior Business Analyst in investment evaluations in the Melbourne head office. After completing her MBA Deborah joined the metals and mining investment banking division at Barclays, working primarily in London originating, structuring, and executing capital markets, commodities and financing transactions in the UK/European and Canadian markets. She returned to Sydney in 2014 and in her current role she has primary responsibility for Australia and South East Asia.</p> <p>Deborah has been committed to supporting women in the mining industry for many years, as an active participant in the WIMnet NSW Mentoring program, as well as sitting on the International Committee of Women in Mining (UK) for 4 years from 2013-2016. She is passionate about initiatives that encourage women into traditionally male-dominated industries, and that contribute to the retention and promotion of women.</p> <p>Deborah holds a Bachelor of Metallurgical Engineering (UNSW) with First Class Honours, a Master of Business Administration (UQ) Dean's Honour Role, and is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.</p>
	<p>Kristy Christensen is the NSW Illawarra WIMnet Representative and the Illawarra AusIMM Branch Secretary. She has worked in underground coal for 10 years as a Geologist, a Geotechnical Engineer, a Gas Drainage Superintendent and Gas Drainage Planner and her current role is Senior Geotechnical Engineer. Prior to coal mining, she spent 2 years in gold exploration and as an assistant to a tenement consultant. She studied at the University of Auckland to gain her BSc majoring in Geology and later studied a Masters in Mining Engineering at the University of New South Wales. She is well rounded in the technical and operational space and is working toward to a higher leadership role.</p> <p>She is passionate about good, practical design and enjoys challenging how we can do better. She understands the opportunities and limitations of a system and ensures her technical support is practical, achievable and drives accountability. Kristy believes our people are the key to our success she engage all levels of the business to ensure we get the best result.</p> <p>Kristy recently won the Exceptional Young Woman in Mining NSW award in 2018 as she often operates outside her role to ensure female inclusion. If there is something that makes a job less inclusive for females and is a barrier, she addresses it. She has mentored and sponsored several females providing support to help with challenges and strategies to work through them.</p>
	<p>Jessie Cooke is a Graduate Mining Engineer with Perilya Southern Operations in Broken Hill, NSW.</p> <p>She started her mining career in 2007 as a field technician while studying. She went on to work in geotech, construction and for the NSW Geological Survey before graduating with a BSc. (Hons) in Geology from UNE Armidale. During her undergraduate time Jessie was elected President of the Newcastle AusIMM student chapter and subsequently chaired the New Leaders Conference in 2011, before presenting at further conferences. She has also held positions as President of the UNE Geological Society, Secretary of the WASM Social Committee, Captain of the WASM Women's International Mining Games Team and Events Coordinator for WIMnet SA.</p> <p>After working as an exploration geologist, mine geologist, engineering geologist, core logger, sampler and technician throughout Australia she returned to study, completing a Postgraduate Diploma in Mining Engineering through the West Australian School of Mines in 2016. Jessie aims to continue working towards obtaining her First Class Mine Managers ticket. Through her acceptance onto the WIMnet NSW Committee she is hoping to foster a support network between women working in regional and remote areas. She also enjoys competitive gold panning as a sport.</p>

	<p>Catherine Dean is a director in the corporate tax practice at KPMG Australia, with a focus on the energy & resources sector. She has over 14 years experience advising clients both in Australia and overseas on a broad range of tax matters, including mergers and acquisitions, day to day advisory matters as well as in the resolution of tax disputes with the Australian Taxation Office. Catherine also undertakes pro bono work for not-for-profit entities at KPMG.</p> <p>Catherine holds a Master of Laws specialising in taxation from the University of Sydney, as well as a Bachelor of Business (Finance) and Bachelor of Laws from the University of Technology Sydney. Catherine is a solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales and is a chartered tax adviser with the Tax Institute. In addition to her role on the WIMnet NSW committee, Catherine is a member of the Tax Institute Education Committee.</p> <p>As a WIMnet NSW committee member, Catherine's aim is to promote greater diversity in the mining industry at all levels through WIMnet NSW's educational and networking events and involvement in the mentoring program.</p>
	<p>Siobhan Hughes is a Senior Manager in EY Sydney's Assurance practice, working as part of the Mining, Energy and Utilities team. Siobhan has more than eight years of experience providing audit and accounting services to the mining industry, both in Australia and Canada.</p> <p>Siobhan is a strong supporter of diversity in the workplace and is particularly interested in expanding the profile of women in the resource sector. She believes WIMnet NSW provides valuable networking and development opportunities for women in the sector and is committed to expanding the reach of the network and the opportunities for its members.</p> <p>Siobhan has a bachelor of commerce from the University of British Columbia and is a member of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants</p>
	<p>Samantha Jones is a Sustainability Partner in the Risk Advisory practice at Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, (Australia) and has been a member of AusIMM's NSW Women in Mining (NSW WIMnet) Committee since 2017. She is also a member of the Deloitte Energy and Resources group.</p> <p>Samantha has significant national and international experience advising/auditing clients within Sustainability/CSR Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) management, governance, assurance, legislation and standards. Samantha works across many sectors although has a strong passion and interest working within the Mining, Defence, Construction and Infrastructure sectors. Over the last 12 years (since moving to Australia from the UK) Samantha's clients within the Mining sector specifically have included BHP, South32, Rio Tinto, Anglo, Peabody, MMG, Newcrest and Vale.</p> <p>She has provided specialist advice for Client Boards/Audit Committees and Senior Executives in relation to these areas over a number of engagements including internal audit, advice for legal privilege and non-financial reporting assurance.</p> <p>Samantha has a total of 22 years' in-house, consulting and auditing experience through her previous employment at Zurich Risk (Engineering) UK, The British Safety Council, TNT and both KPMG UK and KPMG Australia.</p> <p>Samantha is also a new Mentor on the Women in Mining NSW's mentoring programme.</p>
	<p>Craig Milton is a Policy Manager with the NSW Minerals Council (NSWMC), based in Sydney, Australia, with over 10 years' experience working in policy and advocacy roles for various industry associations. As a Policy Manager with NSWMC, Craig manages the rehabilitation, mine closure and subsidence portfolio areas. Another key aspect of this role is performing secretariat duties for the Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue, particularly with regards to keeping the key projects operational and community stakeholders engaged.</p> <p>Prior to joining NSWMC, Craig worked in policy and government affairs roles for the Winemakers' Federation of Australia and the NSW Business Chamber, covering a diverse range of issues such as Economics and Taxation, Health and Social Responsibility, Environmental Stewardship, Work Health and Safety, Workers Compensation, and managing regular Economic Surveys.</p> <p>Craig holds a combined Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws from the University of New England. At UNE, Craig was an active student representative, a recipient of the New England Award, and participated on the College Presidents Committee and Alcohol Awareness Advisory Committee. Craig is particularly passionate about supporting diversity and inclusion and safe and healthy workplaces for the minerals industry. Craig is a member of the WIMNET NSW Events Subcommittee.</p>

Next voting of committee: End of 2018 for 2019

	<p>Wai Mun Lum is Head of Mining and Resources in the Project and Export Finance team at ANZ in Sydney. He has over 20 years' experience in Project Finance, across a broad range of sectors, ranging from power to infrastructure to natural resources, in both arranging and advisory capacities.</p> <p>In the course of his career, Mun has worked in both Australia and Asia, where he spent four years as Regional Head of Infrastructure with Credit Agricole Indosuez, covering project finance within the region.</p> <p>Mun has a Bachelor of Economics from University of Sydney and a Master's degree in Banking and Finance from University of Technology Sydney. He is also a Certified Practising Accountant.</p>
<p>Other Committee Members</p>	<p>Jane Chung Cheryl Holland Lily Webster Michaela Padayachee Rebecca Roper</p>