



AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER OF
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DAVID MICHAELIS ELECTED NEW ACCI PRESIDENT

The Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ACCI), has elected a new President at its Annual General Meeting this morning in Canberra.

Mr David Michaelis was elected by members to succeed Mr Tony Howarth AO, who has completed a two year term.

In accepting his appointment, Mr. Michaelis said: "It is an honour to have been elected as the President of Australia's peak council of business associations, which traces its history back to the first Sydney Chamber of Commerce in 1826."

"ACCI occupies a unique place as the only Australian business organisation that represents businesses in every state and territory, in all regions and all business sizes."

"My immediate goal is for ACCI and our member organisations to continue to vigorously promote the policies necessary for Australian businesses to take full advantage of the international economic recovery."

Mr Michaelis is also a Director and Chairman of industry superannuation fund ASSET Super, a Director and Past President of the NSW Business Chamber, a Director of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, and a Committee member of the Australian Council of Superannuation Investors.

He previously practised as a commercial lawyer in major law firms in London and Sydney, and held general counsel, company secretary and other senior corporate management roles for major Australian public companies.

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