



Media Release

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Diversity Council Australia CEO Lisa Annese appointed to Respect@Work Council

Diversity Council Australia (DCA) is delighted about [today's announcement](#) from the Federal Government appointing our CEO, Lisa Annese, to the Respect@Work Council (the Council).

The Council aims to identify ways to promote safer workplaces through its role advising on the implementation of key recommendations from the *Respect@Work Report*.

DCA, with 1200 member organisations, representing 20% of the Australian workforce, has a long and proud history of supporting Australian organisations in making workplaces more diverse and inclusive.

DCA works with Australian organisations, using evidence-based research, grounded in the Australian context.

Lisa Annese brings to the Council decades of experience working with Australian employers to foster workplace gender equality and inclusion and address sexual and sex-based harassment.

DCA welcomes the opportunity to contribute to the important work of supporting the full implementation of the recommendations in the *Respect@Work Report*. We have long advocated for the adoption of all recommendations and are well placed to assist businesses implement them in their workplaces.

Lisa Annese looks forward to joining the Council and working alongside all the Council members to deliver safer, fairer and more inclusive workplaces.

Quotes attributable to Lisa Annese, CEO, Diversity Council Australia:

"It's a great privilege to be joining the Respect@Work Council and I look forward to assisting employers with the implementation of all 55 recommendations of the *Respect@Work Report*.

"Addressing workplace sexual harassment is an issue of significant importance to DCA and our 1200 member organisations.

"DCA has worked for decades to foster gender equality at work and we have a deep understanding of the issues preventing women from being safe, fully participating and thriving at work.

"I look forward to contributing DCA's research and experience working with employers to the Council."

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Diversity Council Australia is the independent not-for-profit peak body leading diversity and inclusion in the workplace. We provide unique research, inspiring events and programs, curated resources and expert advice across all diversity dimensions to a community of 1200 member organisations. Our member organisations are estimated to employ nearly two million Australians, representing about 20% of the workforce.