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## **Committee for Melbourne's cross-sectoral board looks forward to shaping Melbourne's future in 2020**

For over 35 years, Committee for Melbourne has been on a mission of shaping a better future for our city. With our 150 members representing Melbourne's premier business and community organisations, we work with key stakeholders, including our Federal and Victorian governments, to support Melbourne's future growth and prosperity. Our key strategic focus areas include Melbourne's Future Economy, Infrastructure, Urban Optimisation and Liveability.

Committee for Melbourne Chair, Scott Tanner told the well-attended AGM, hosted by Foundation member NAB, that with the election of two new Directors at its 2019 AGM, the Committee for Melbourne's Board had reached its full complement of 14 Directors, creating a truly diverse and influential board, which represents key industry and service delivery sectors, as well as our vibrant education, arts and culture, and start up sectors.

Mr. Tanner welcomed the addition to the Board of new Directors Professor John Dewar, Vice Chancellor at La Trobe University and Danny Elia, Head of Global Asset management for Infrastructure, IFM Investors. Professor Dewar brings a wealth of senior international and Australian experience in education. Danny Elia has 27 years of experience in governance and business operations in infrastructure, finance, resources, public private partnerships and retail.

Incumbent Director Michael Wandmaker, Managing Director of Melbourne Water, a key utility and vital service for Greater Melbourne, was re-appointed to the Board.

They join the following Directors:

- Gerard Dalbosco, Melbourne Managing Partner, EY
- Dale Fisher, Chief Executive, Silver Chain Group
- Lorenz Grollo, CEO, Grollo Group
- Jane Hodder, Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills
- Virginia Lovett, Executive Director, Melbourne Theatre Company
- Tony Macvean, Managing Partner, Hall & Wilcox
- Tim Orton, Founder and Managing Director, Nous Group
- Pru Sanderson, Regional City Executive Melbourne, Arcadis
- Jacqueline Savage, Founder and Director, MedCorp Technologies
- Kee Wong, Founder & Managing Director, e-Centric Innovations

Mr Tanner and CEO Martine Letts reported on a successful year for the Committee, working with its members in advocating for policies which will help

Melbourne successfully manage the challenges of a rapidly growing city in a rapidly changing world.

The Committee has continued to focus on the contemporary challenges for Greater Melbourne through its [Melbourne 4.0 program](#) launched in 2017, to help future-proof our city as we navigate the uncharted waters of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Together with our standing taskforces on Transport, Arts and Culture and the Not for Profit sector, and our steering of the Artificial Intelligence Task Force we believe that we are involved in the platforms for building a liveable and flourishing Melbourne well into the future.

Mr Tanner said that the Committee's Board and its Secretariat were committed to delivering the Committee's agenda and to ensure that our agenda is regularly refreshed to reflect the changing environment in which our great city operates consistent with our key purpose of shaping Melbourne's future.

"In 2020 we will take stock of our agenda to make sure it continues to advance our vision for Melbourne as a global city of choice for people and organisations, due to its distinct blend of prosperity, opportunity and liveability" he said.

For a full account of the Committee's work in 2019, please click [HERE](#) for our "AGM 2019: Year in Review" report.

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