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Procurement Australia announces resignation of CEO, Joe Arena

Procurement Australia has today announced that Joe Arena has resigned as Chief Executive Officer, effective 24 April 2023.

Procurement Australia Chair Glenn Patterson paid tribute to Joe Arena, "On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank Joe for his 10 years of service. We acknowledge what he has achieved during his time at Procurement Australia" Mr Patterson said.

The Board has appointed Strategic Sourcing Director, Brendan Hoare, to the role of Interim CEO of Procurement Australia to ensure business continuity.

As an executive leader in the business with over a decade's tenure and experience acting as CEO on previous occasions, Brendan is the ideal choice to lead the Procurement Australia team through this transition period.

The Board will immediately undertake a careful recruitment process for a new CEO and will provide updates to stakeholders in due course.

Procurement Australia is supported by a strong and dedicated team of executive leaders and experienced senior staff who will continue to guide its business operations as normal.

The Procurement Australia Board acknowledges Mr Arena's tenure and wishes him well with all his future endeavours.

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About Procurement Australia:

For over 35 years, Procurement Australia has been one of Australia's leading procurement services companies. We are regarded as a leader in negotiating and facilitating contracts for members and clients with decades of experience across both the private and public sectors.

We always work in partnership with our buyers and suppliers to find innovative and sustainable solutions to procurement challenges. We are focused on delivering the best value for all our members and creating collaborative purchasing arrangements. Procurement Australia's full range of services includes:

- advisory services and insurance
- bespoke procurement solutions
- tendered and non-tendered outcomes
- energy aggregation
- office space
- technical category expertise

Audited by the Victorian Auditor-General's Office, Procurement Australia is also recognised by accreditation according to ISO 9001- 2015 independent global standards.

At Procurement Australia, we are proudly member-led. We always strive to get our members what they want – no matter their industry, or how big or small. At Procurement Australia, we get it.