

Procurement Australia Announces Appointment of New Chief Procurement Officer, Jane Holcombe

Procurement Australia is excited to announce the appointment of Jane Holcombe as Chief Procurement Officer (CPO), commencing on Monday, 7th October 2024.

Chief Executive Officer Steven Chaur said, "Jane joins our company at an opportune time to strategically lead and support our Sourcing and Procurement team. Her extensive experience and dedication to building strong supplier relationships will be invaluable as we continue to deliver collaborative supplier outcomes, enhance procurement acumen, and drive sustainable financial improvements."

Jane brings with her over 19 years of senior procurement leadership experience across various sectors, including FMCG, Oil & Gas, Retail, Manufacturing, and State Government advisory work. She has held senior positions in renowned corporations such as Tabcorp, BP, VicTrack, Devondale Murray Goulburn, and Costa Group. Her vast knowledge in category management, directs/indirects procurement, energy and insurance procurement, and continuous improvement practices will be instrumental in driving Procurement Australia's strategic initiatives.

As CPO, Jane will oversee and manage profitable supplier relationships, including tendered, bespoke, and direct partnerships, to achieve our annual budget goals. She will lead and develop our Category and Sourcing teams, negotiate terms and rebates, expand supplier networks, and strategically curate relevant product solutions for our customer verticals. Additionally, she will be responsible for all supplier and solution-related communications and work closely with Jerome Joseph, our Chief Commercial Officer, to align our supplier strategy with our national sales and new business development initiatives.

Jane will report directly to the CEO and focus on delivering value-driven procurement strategies, fostering strong supplier relationships, and contributing to Procurement Australia's growth.

"We are confident that Jane's leadership, expertise, and strategic mindset will play a key role in strengthening our sourcing capabilities and expanding our supplier networks," added Mr. Chaur. "Her appointment marks a significant step forward in our commitment to providing innovative and effective procurement solutions for our customers."

About Procurement Australia

Procurement Australia provides over 25,000 customers with access to leading product and service solutions through more than 300 tier-1 suppliers, supporting a combined annual member expenditure of over \$500 million. For the past 40 years, Procurement Australia has been delivering specialised procurement services, including aggregated and tendered purchasing contracts, procurement governance, advisory services, tender process management, and commercial analytical services to assist government, corporate, SME, and not-for-profit organisations in reducing costs and improving commercial outcomes.

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