

## AIST announces 2017 Board

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The Australian Institute of Superannuation Trustees (AIST) has today announced its 2017 Board which includes the addition of one new board member and the re-election of four others.

Gerard Noonan, Michael O'Connor and David Smith were all re-elected as trustee representative directors while Louise du Pre-Alba was re-elected as a fund representative director.

Suzette Thurman from First State Super was a new addition to the Board and will serve as a fund representative director.

**AIST President David Smith** thanked all candidates who applied for the roles.

"There was a strong pool of candidates for the 2017 election and we are very pleased to welcome Suzette to the Board. The re-election of several existing directors is testament to their skills and evidence that AIST members value their contribution," said Mr Smith.

"AIST has another big year ahead and I look forward to working with a group of passionate and committed board members on key super issues."

AIST is governed by a representative board elected by the membership. Directors are elected for two-year terms, with half the directors retiring each year to provide for a reasonable level of board continuity from one year to the next.

The AIST Board will elect a president for the next two years at the next board meeting in April. David Smith remains president until this time.

**Please see full list of AIST directors:**

| Trustee representatives   | Fund staff representatives   | Board appointed directors                         |
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| <b>President:</b> David Smith (Energy Super)<br>Geoff Lake (Vision Super)<br>Gerard Noonan (Media Super)<br>Michael O'Connor (First Super)<br>Craig Peate (Local Government Super)<br>Catherine Bolger (Mine Wealth + Wellbeing; SAS Trustee Corporation) | <b>Deputy President:</b> Louise du Pre-Alba (AustralianSuper)<br>Mark Puli (ESSSuper)<br>Suzette Thurman (First State Super) | Deborah Blakey (HESTA)<br>Naomi Edwards (Tasplan) |

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