

Media Release



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First State Super Executive re-elected to AIST Board

First State Super Chief Risk Officer Suzette Thurman has been re-elected as a Director of the Australian Institute of Superannuation Trustees (AIST), following its annual Board elections.

Suzette will continue on the Board as a fund representative of AIST registered funds, following the completion of her first two-year term.

Suzette said: “There has never been a more important time for the AIST in representing the profit-to-member sector, and I am delighted to be serving another term on the Board”.

First State Super Chief Executive Officer, Deanne Stewart said: “Suzette’s re-election is testament to the value of her contribution over the past two years. It demonstrates that AIST members value her risk management and compliance expertise which is even more important in the post-royal commission landscape.”

First State Super is a member of AIST which is the principal advocate and peak representative body for the \$1.4 trillion profit-to-member superannuation sector. AIST plays a key role in policy development and is a leading provider of research.

As First State Super’s Chief Risk Officer, Suzette is responsible for Risk Management and Compliance to protect and support the achievement of the Fund’s business strategy in a complex operational and regulatory environment.

Suzette has over 25 years’ experience in the superannuation industry working in risk, compliance operations and project management roles for organisations including MLC, AMP and Towers Perrin.

AIST Directors are elected for two-year terms commencing in March each year at the AIST Annual General Meeting.

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Note to Editors:

First State Super is one of Australia’s largest profit-for-member financial services organisations. We provide our members with a better financial future through safe and secure superannuation and quality financial advice. Our size enables us to invest in ways that make a positive impact on the economy, the environment and the communities in which our members live, work and retire. Most of our members work in vocational roles that care for our communities. They are nurses, midwives, teachers, police, firefighters, paramedics and others who dedicate their careers to helping others.

We believe that everyone deserves a dignified retirement. Through our financial planning company, StatePlus we provide high quality, affordable advice for members and all Australians. While we’re big, we see our members as individuals. We understand the role we play in safeguarding their savings and working with them to plan for the future they want.

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Key facts:

- We manage \$93bn in retirement savings, including \$74bn in superannuation and \$19bn in retirement savings under advice.
- We provide superannuation and advice to more than 760,000 members nationwide.
- Through our financial planning company StatePlus, our members and clients have access to over 220 financial planners across a broad network of regional offices.