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## About the Group of Eight

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They have nurtured every Nobel Prize winner educated at an Australian university;

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**Professor Paul Greenfield AO**Vice-Chancellor, The University of Queensland DELEGATION LEADER

Professor Greenfield was appointed Vice-Chancellor from 1 January 2008 and was Senior Deputy Vice-Chancellor from 2002 to 31 December 2007. Previously he was Deputy Vice-Chancellor (2001), Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) (1997–2000), Executive Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Physical Sciences and Architecture and Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Physical Sciences and Engineering).

After graduating Bachelor of Engineering, first-class honours in chemical engineering, from the University of New South Wales (UNSW), Professor Greenfield worked in the private sector before completing a PhD at UNSW. He worked at CSIRO before winning a three-year fellowship to the United States. In 1975, he joined UQ as a lecturer in chemical engineering and a decade later became Head of Department.

In January 2006 Professor Greenfield was made an Officer in the General Division of the Order of Australia for service to science and engineering, particularly through research in the areas of chemical engineering, biotechnology, wastewater and environmental management, and to the tertiary education sector.

Professor Greenfield has extensive experience as a Board Director. He has also consulted and worked widely with industry on a range of projects spanning biochemical engineering, wastewater treatment and waste and environmental management, as well as economic evaluation of projects (particularly in the biotechnology and environmental fields). His interests lie in biotechnology, environmental management and R&D management and commercialisation.

He is currently Chair of the Scientific Advisory Group of the South East Queensland Healthy Waterways Partnership, which focuses on the health of the rivers, estuaries and bays of South East Queensland. Recently he was appointed Chair of the Expert Panel on Purified Recycled Water; this Panel will provide advice to the Queensland Water Commission on health and environmental aspects associated with the use of recycled water in South East Queensland. He is also Chair of the Riversymposium Strategic Planning Committee, the Thiess International Riverprize Committee and the International Water Centre. In 2008, he was appointed to the Defence Science and Technology Organisation (DSTO) Advisory Board representing the academic and research community.



**Professor Alan Lawson**Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research and International), The University of Queensland

Professor Lawson supports the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) in improving the university's research performance and has specific responsibility for the oversight and policy direction of the university's programs of funding, training and professional development for early career researchers. He also works with the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (International) to develop links with overseas agencies and universities with potential to partner with UQ, especially in the training of early career researchers, including PhD students. He has particular responsibility for coordinating the University's strategic partnerships in Latin America, Indochina, and some parts of the Middle East.

Professor Lawson was appointed Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research and International) in June 2009 and was Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research and Research Training) from May 2008. Previously, Professor Lawson was Dean of the UQ Graduate School from March 1998. Prior to that, he was a Reader in the Department of English (1975–98) in which he

served as Postgraduate Coordinator from 1994–97, and took a keen interest in graduate student issues since becoming a member of the university's Postgraduate Studies Committee in 1987.

In addition to his positions at UQ, Professor Lawson has also been a visiting fellow at universities in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, the US, the UK, Germany, Denmark, and South Africa. He has been an Editorial Board Member of 12 journals (incl. three e-journals); held executive positions in six international scholarly associations and on eight International Conference Committees. He has been academic consultant to a multimedia company, series editor for a US publisher, and a judge of 8 national literary awards. He was a foundation council member of the UO Australian Studies Centre.

He is the author or editor of 10 books and approximately 100 papers and chapters and has been an advisory team member for 27 successful research higher degree graduates.





**Professor Field Rickards**Dean, Melbourne Graduate School of Education, The University of Melbourne

Professor Field Rickards was appointed Dean of the Faculty of Education at the University of Melbourne in August 2004. Prior to this appointment he was President of the Academic Board and Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

He joined the Faculty of Education in 1989 from the Department of Otolaryngology in the Faculty of Medicine, having been first appointed to the University of Melbourne as lecturer in 1973 to establish Australia's first post-graduate training in audiology in 1974. He was appointed to Professor of Education of the Hearing-Impaired in 1994.

His research interests lie in the broad area of childhood deafness, in particular the early detection and diagnosis of deafness, the early intervention of hearing impaired children, and the educational outcomes of hearing impaired children. His current funded research includes: Population outcomes and cost-effectiveness of universal newborn hearing vs. risk factor screening; Identifying personalised learning strategies for early literacy in children in pre-school and the first year of school; and Improving outcomes for children with congenital hearing loss. His early research has led to the development of a computer based brain wave audiometer that accurately measures the hearing in newborn babies which is currently being manufactured for domestic and overseas markets.

As Dean, he has guided the transformation of the Faculty of Education to the Melbourne Graduate School of Education on 1 January 2008, and the reform of the professional training of teachers with the introduction of the new Master of Teaching program.



**Dr Simon Batterbury**Department of Resource Management and Geography, The University of Melbourne

Dr Batterbury's main research areas are:

- Adaptation to drought, resilience, and agrarian change in semi-arid Africa (Burkina, Niger 3.5 years fieldwork) and Asia-Pacific (East Timor, New Caledonia eight months fieldwork)
- Understanding society-environment relationships
- Development, governance and environmental policy; bridging gaps between research and policy
- Policy frameworks for effective management of soil erosion and land degradation, particularly indigenous and locally-managed soil conservation and water-harvesting initiatives
- Environmentalism, sustainable transport in cities



Associate Professor John Shields
Associate Dean (Postgraduate), Faculty of Economics and Business, The University of Sydney

John Shields is an Associate Professor in the Discipline of Work and Organisational Studies, Faculty of Economics and Business at the University of Sydney, where he teaches human resource management.

His principal areas of research and publication are performance management, reward management, executive remuneration and corporate governance, and business and labour history. In the field of reward management, his most recent book publication is *Managing Employee Performance and Reward*, Cambridge University Press, 2007.

He is currently engaged in an international collaborative project using survey evidence to test one of the verities of current reward management theory and practice, namely that firms that 'align' reward practices with business strategy and other organisational specifics will outperform firms that have misaligned reward practices.

A second current project involves an industry partnership examining demographic and cross-cultural effects on Emotional Intelligence self-report scores, using data from five different countries.



## Mr Shaun Wellbourne Wood Overseas Development Manager for the Faculties of Life and Physical and Natural and Agricultural Sciences, The University of Western Australia Shaun Wellbourne-Wood is the Overseas Ethnographic Study of Science and Technology Development Manager for the sciences at The Education in Developing Countries) and continued University of Western Australia. His position is in Africa to work on UN/World Bank funded responsible for the development and promotion projects in teacher education in Botswana, Zambia, of the sciences with international partners and the Mauritius and Seychelles. development of international collaborative research Shaun studied in Australia, the UK, France and Africa links and higher degrees by research. Shaun initially and speaks English, French, Setswana and Bahasa graduated with an Arts degree (literature and Indonesian. He returned to work at UWA in 2005. poetry) and then a Science/ Engineering degree Shaun's other interests include playing music, (materials science/industrial design). He also holds writing and riding solo motorcycle trips through a first class honours degree in Education (science the far reaches of the planet. and technology education). After teaching for a few years, he left for Botswana, Africa to undertake research for a PhD (An Dr Eugene Sebastian Monash University Text to be supplied







**Mr Maximiliano Jarpa**The University of Adelaide

Maximiliano Jarpa expertise is international and intercultural relations, internalisation of education, human capital development and negotiation.

Prior to this appointment with the University of Adelaide he worked for the Ministry of Foreign Relations of Chile, where he was posted in Rome as a member of the Chilean Delegation in the Mediation process of John Paul II between Chile and Argentina (six years), Consul General of Chile in San Francisco (four years) and Educational attaché in Sydney (four years). He received recognition for his services as a diplomat from the Government of Argentina, the Holy Sea and the US Government.

He also worked in the private sector as Manager of International Relations and Export Director in the areas of corporate strategy and international mergers and acquisitions.

In recent years he worked for the Department of Education, in the English Open Door Program as Project Manager of the Presidential Measures Semester Abroad Program and International Volunteer Centre; Director of International Relations of the National Commission of Science and Technological Research (CONICYT); and finally as Director of International Relations of the current scholarship program BECAS CHILE. He has acted as a consultant to numerous organisations in Chile and to the United Nations.

He graduated in Diplomacy from the Academia Andrés Bello, Academy of Diplomacy and International Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, was awarded a Master in Philosophy (Highest Distinction) by the University of Chile, and has a Diploma from the University of Stanford in the Harvard Negotiation Project.



**Ms Kerrie Thornton**Director of Communications and International, The Group of Eight

Kerrie joined the Go8 secretariat in 2004. Previous experience includes working as a policy and media adviser in Australia's Federal and NSW State Parliaments, in media relations for the Sydney Symphony Orchestra and in international education for The Australian National University.

She has a Communications Degree and a Diploma in Modern Languages. She speaks fluent German and is learning Spanish.