



## 2022 AUSTRALASIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT CHALLENGE LAUNCHED

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The new season of the Australasian Management Challenge delivered by Local Government Professionals Australia in partnership with Taituara – Local Government Professionals Aotearoa, LGPro Victoria and Local Government Managers Australia Queensland gets underway today with the official launch of the 2022 program.

Local Government Professionals Australia CEO Catherine Carter said now is the right time for senior local council leaders to talk to their staff about getting a team together to compete.

“For more than 25 years, the Australasian Management Challenge has been at the forefront of professional development for local government across Australian and New Zealand, on average attracting more than 100 teams, and hundreds of local government professionals from across Oceania.

“The Management Challenge provides a unique opportunity for local government professionals to take part in a simulation-based team building, learning and networking program using real local government themes – the types of issues that senior management team within local council would likely face.

“The issues local government have faced over the past two years, including natural disasters and a pandemic, have cast into sharp relief the increasingly wide array of challenges local government professionals are faced with on a day-to-day basis.

“For these reasons, the 2022 Management Challenge is now more than ever a critical part of the local government learning and development toolkit. The Management Challenge helps participants to develop key skills such as leadership, analytics, communication, negotiation, presentation and decision-making skills.

“Best of all, you don’t need to be a manager to get involved. In fact, the whole point of the Management Challenge is to find the local government professional leaders of tomorrow.

“Registrations are now open via the Australasian Management Challenge [website](#). Early bird registrations are available until COB 22 January 2022, and registrations close on 12 February 2022,” Ms Carter said.

### **TESTIMONIALS FROM 2021 WINNERS:**

“Regular participation in the Challenge builds a broad level of professional development in aspiring leaders within your organisation.” - Steve Kozlowski, CEO Maroondah City Council, VIC 2021 Winner

“We learnt how to work smarter not harder, how to champion each other’s strengths and I learned how to trust my own abilities. Team Leader, Otago Regional Council, NZ 2021 Runner up

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