

Future of Aviation Reference Panel: Panel members' biographical information

Professor Patrick Murray – Panel Chair

Patrick Murray is the Industry Chair of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority's (CASA) Aviation Safety Advisory Panel and has an extensive background as a pilot, flight instructor and academic, with the broad perspective of having held senior positions in the military, academia, a major international airline and the aviation regulator.

Professor Murray's aviation experience draws from a diverse range of operational, instructional and display pilot roles. Following his time in the Air Force, Professor Murray joined a major international airline as Senior Check and Training Captain as well as leading the airline instructor training program.

Professor Murray is a CASA flight instructor and examiner, specialising in multi-crew training and is currently Head of Operations for Aviation Australia. With postgraduate qualifications in Aviation Management, Safety and Human Factors, he also holds an appointment as Hon Professor of Aviation and Logistics at the University of Southern Queensland and is currently conducting research into airline safety through Line Operations Safety Audit data driving Evidence Based Training.

Professor Murray has published widely and regularly appears as an invited chair and keynote speaker at international conferences in aviation safety and training, as well as other high skill, high-risk disciplines such as healthcare. He has held an appointment to the Australian Government's Veterans Review Board, is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and has been awarded Fellowships of the Royal Aeronautical Society, The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport, and the Institute of Managers and Leaders. Professor Murray is a director of an international safety consultancy and a large not-for-profit organisation.

Ms Adrienne Fleming OAM – Panel member

Ms Adrienne Fleming OAM has been Operations Manager and Chief Flying Instructor at Tristar Aviation since 1993. Prior to founding Tristar Aviation, Ms Fleming worked for CASA as an Airways Data Systems Officer. Ms Fleming leads her industry in exporting flight training education through Asia and India; consulting to government on aviation issues; and has a range of guest speaking engagements. Ms Fleming was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division in the Queen's Birthday 2016 Honours List for service to the aviation industry.

Ms Fleming is an extensive contributor to aviation, business and community-building organisations. Current roles include: Panel Member on CASA's Aviation Safety Advisory Panel; National Education Outreach Coordinator for Women in Aviation; and Board Member for the Professional Aviation Board of Certification. Ms Fleming holds a range of other leadership positions in the aviation, education, business and community sectors.

Ms Fleming's qualifications include Commercial Pilot's Licence; Grade 1 Flight Instructor; CASA Flight Examiner; Associate Diploma of Applied Science, Fire Technology; and Diploma of Aviation.

Mr Andrew Drysdale – Panel member

Andrew Drysdale is a specialist consultant to the aviation and tourism industries. Mr Drysdale has extensive experience in the Asia/Pacific region. He has been CEO of two airlines in the Region and headed the International Air Transport Association (IATA) in the Asia/Pacific region for six years.

Mr Drysdale also has extensive experience in tourism shipping and tour wholesaling. He is a former Board member, Chairman, and now life member of the Pacific Asia Travel Association, and a Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society (including former President of the Australian Division).

Between 2009 – 2019, Mr Drysdale was a Senior Visiting Fellow at the University of NSW, lecturing on Aviation Management, and a member of the School of Aviation's Industry Advisory Council. He continues to have regular media and conference speaking engagements.

Ms Shannon O'Hara – Panel member

Ms Shannon O'Hara is the Legal Counsel to the Aviation Team at QBE Insurance Australia Pacific (QBE), where she provides legal guidance on matters affecting aviation. Ms O'Hara has prepared submissions to the Federal Government on a range of proposed aviation industry changes and developments.

Prior to QBE, Ms O'Hara worked in private legal practice for 14 years specialising in Australian and international aviation law.

Ms O'Hara is a Director on the National Board of the Aviation Law Association of Australia and New Zealand (ALAANZ), Vice-President of the Queensland Branch of ALAANZ and has joined the Board of the Australian Helicopter Industry Association. In 2015 she was identified by Australasian Lawyer as one of "50 Women to Watch / Experts in their Field" and has been recognised by Best Lawyers (Aviation) in 2018 and 2019.

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