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Blueprint for Facilities Management Industry – Board Appointed

The joint initiative between the Australian Government and the Facility Management (FM) Industry, to develop a blueprint for the industry over the next 3 years (known as the Facilities Management Action Agenda), has taken a significant step forward with the appointment of an Implementation Board.

The Board comprises 14 industry leaders appointed by the Hon Ian Macfarlane MP, Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources, and will be chaired by John McCarthy of the CRC Construction Innovation, the organisation leading the Sydney Opera House FM Exemplar Project in association with the Australian Government, FMA Australia and other leading industry participants (see attachment for details of the FM Action Agenda Implementation Board members).

Board Chairman, John McCarthy, said that:

“this is a defining moment for the facilities management industry and I am delighted to be part of such a dedicated team which represents a mix of experience gained during the strategic phase of developing the FM Action Agenda and new talent, which will contribute to important industry transformation”.

The Board met for the first time on 18th August to review the FM Action Agenda and the 36 month implementation time-table agreed between the industry and the Government.

The Board adopted detailed implementation plans and established working groups around the four focus areas of Innovation, Education & Training, Regulatory Reform and Sustainability

The Chairman of the Facility Management Association of Australia, Stephen Ballesty, has welcomed the establishment of the Board adding that:

“the FM Action Agenda puts our profession on the map and provides all industry participants and stakeholders with the opportunity to contribute to delivering a productive and sustainable built environment through improved innovation, education and standards”.

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Copies of the FM Action Agenda and Committee nomination form can be obtained through FMA Australia or downloaded from www.fma.com.au

Facilities Management Action Agenda Implementation Board

Name	Focus Area	Industry Role
John McCarthy	Chairman	Chairman CRC Construction Innovation
Stephen Ballesty	Deputy Chairman	Director Rider Hunt Group
Steven Gladwin	Communications	Director Tungsten Group
Sue Pridmore	Communications	National Manager Store Development & FM Myer
John Nakkan	Innovation	Director Maintenance Services, Department of Parliamentary Services
Karen Lyon Reid	Innovation	Director Government Accommodation Qld. Department of Public Works
George Spink	Innovation & FM Exemplar Project	Executive General Manager Transfield Services
Chris Hunt	Education & Training	General Manager Resolve FM
Naomi Nielsen	Education & Training	Deputy Director The University of New England
Ross Johnston	Regulatory Reform	National General Manager Spotless
Christopher Luscombe	Regulatory Reform	Director – Engineering and Operations Mirvac Group
Jon McCormick	Sustainability	Managing Director Multiplex Facilities Management
Michael Silman	Sustainability	Head of Premises & Facilities Macquarie Bank
Kevin Dickinson	Sustainability	Head of Facility Management Investa Property Group