

# Media Release

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## **NIBA Announces New President, Vice-President and Board Appointments**

The National Insurance Brokers Association (NIBA) held its Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Sydney today.

NIBA is pleased to announce Nick Cook from Steadfast Group as its new President.

Nick replaces Gary Okely from JLT Public Sector (a business of Marsh), whose term as President came to an end. Gary will remain on the NIBA Board as a Director.

Incoming President Nick Cook said, "I am honoured to be appointed as NIBA President. I look forward to working closely with the NIBA Board, our key partners, and industry stakeholders in building upon the great work under Gary's leadership, advocating on behalf of our members and the interests of brokers across Australia."

Gary reflected on his tenure as President, stating, "Thank you for the privilege of allowing me to serve as your President. I look forward to working with Nick Cook and the Board to ensure NIBA continues to deliver as the 'one voice' of the broking profession."

NIBA CEO Richard Klipin expressed his gratitude to Gary Okely for his leadership and welcomed Nick Cook as the new President, stating, "On behalf of our members, I would like to thank Gary for his contribution to NIBA as the President and the significant impact he has made during his tenure. We are delighted that Gary will continue on the Board as the Immediate Past President, providing his invaluable insights, guidance and leadership."

"I would like to welcome Nick as the new NIBA President and Rebecca Wilson as the incoming Vice President. I also extend a warm welcome to Greg Mullins, representing Envest Group, and Brett Piggott from Willis Tomby Insurance Brokers, appointed as NIBA's Western Australian representative to the Board," Klipin added.

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The full list of NIBA Board Directors is below:

- **Ben Bessell** – Representing AUB Group
- **Nicholas Cook** – Representing Steadfast Group
- **Steven Hill** – Representing Queensland
- **Greg Mullins** – Representing Envest Group
- **Gary Okely** – Representing Marsh
- **Brett Piggott** – Representing Western Australia
- **Dianne Phelan** – Representing South Australia/Northern Territory
- **Stella Pruscino** – Representing Victoria/Tasmania
- **Mark Saunderson** – Representing Gallagher
- **Greg Vlahos** – Representing WTW
- **Lynette Walsh** – Representing Aon
- **Rebecca Wilson** – Representing New South Wales/Australian Capital Territory

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## About NIBA

NIBA is the peak representative body for the general intermediated insurance market. It serves as the collective voice of approximately 420 member firms and 15,000 individual brokers. Our membership encompasses a diverse range of entities, including large multinational insurance brokers, Australian broker networks, and small and medium-sized businesses located in cities and regional areas around Australia.

NIBA advocates for the interests of general insurance brokers and their clients, ensuring that the general industry operates with integrity and professionalism. Guided by our core pillars: Community, Representation, and Professionalism, NIBA's mission is to enhance the professional standing of insurance brokers through robust advocacy, education, and ethical standards. By fostering a collaborative and innovative environment, NIBA aims to elevate the quality of service provided to consumers and strengthen trust and confidence in the insurance broking profession.

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