



AusIMM CEO receives Special Award

At the 2007 Awards Dinner the Board of The AusIMM presented a Special Award to the CEO of The AusIMM, Don Larkin, who has been CEO since 1999. The Award followed advice from Don Larkin that he would not be renewing his contract at the end of 2007 when it expires.

The citation for the Award reads: "For taking The AusIMM to new heights of professional standing and relevance, from 1999 to 2007, through superior and sustained advocacy, inspiration, leadership and management".

The AusIMM is the pre-eminent body representing professionals in the Minerals Sector (Geologists, Mining Engineers, Metallurgists and other professions).

Don has worked in the private, government, education and not for profit sectors and has focussed on the strategic interface between Government and Business.

Don's past positions include Chief of Staff to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Director of the Australian Administrative Staff College, Mt Eliza, Executive Director of the Australian Hotels Association, Executive Director of the State Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Acting Managing Director of the Tourism Council of Australia.

Don is married to Pam and has two daughters Sarah and Sophie and in his spare time is an active triathlete and sports enthusiast having completed over 120 endurance events in the past 12 years (triathlon, bike, ocean swimming and sea kayaking).

The AusIMM has a strong financial position and a membership in excess of 8,000 which is the highest in its history. Also, a vibrant conference and events schedule, and leading edge technical publications available to a global industry of professionals.

An Executive Search has been commenced through Boyden International led by Bruce Abbott (bruce.abbott@boyden.com) to find a replacement for Don.

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