

Iress chair succession

Iress today announced that Iress chair Tony D'Aloisio will step down as director and chair of the Iress Board at the conclusion of the company's Annual General Meeting on 6 May 2021. Mr D'Aloisio joined the Iress Board in 2012 and became chair in 2014.

Following an extensive search open to both internal and external candidates, Iress also announced the appointment of Roger Sharp as a non-executive director and chair-elect. Mr Sharp will commence his role as non-executive director effective today.

Mr D'Aloisio said: "I am a firm believer in Board and chair renewal and after more than eight years as a director and the past six years as chair, this is the right time both for me and for Iress to step down. Being director and chair of Iress has been a privilege and I am confident that Iress will continue to adapt and grow in the years ahead. I thank my fellow directors and management for their work and support and all of the dedicated team at Iress. I will miss them greatly.

"I am pleased to welcome Roger Sharp as non-executive director and chair-elect. Roger brings 35 years' experience in markets, technology and governance. He has broad international experience in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Singapore, the United Kingdom and the United States. He is currently chair of ASX-listed Webjet, the deputy chair of Tourism New Zealand, the chair of the Lotteries Commission of New Zealand and the founder of boutique technology investment bank, North Ridge Partners. His past executive roles have included Global Head of Technology at ABN AMRO Bank and CEO of ABN AMRO Asia Pacific Securities."

Mr Sharp said: "I've been fortunate to help build a number of software companies during my career. I consider Iress to be a remarkable Australian success story, and am looking forward to contributing to its journey."

Iress managing director and chief executive, Andrew Walsh, said: "Tony's experience across a range of areas such as strategy, governance and leadership has been invaluable over a long period of growth and change for Iress. He has played a critical role in shaping Iress and setting it up for further success. I thank Tony on behalf of my fellow directors and the management team for his guidance and counsel. I welcome Roger to Iress and look forward to working closely with him and the Board."

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Roger Sharp biography

Executive career

1984-1987	Joint managing director and founder, Datacorp (New Zealand)
1988-1997	Investment banker, Ord Minnett/Jardine Fleming (now JP Morgan) (Sydney, Melbourne, Auckland, Hong Kong)

1997-2002	ABN AMRO Bank: Head of Corporate Finance Execution for Asia (Hong Kong) (1997) CEO of Asia Pacific Securities (Hong Kong) (1997-2000) Interim CEO of USA and Latin American Securities (New York) (2000) Global Head of Technology (London) (2000-2001)
2003-	Founder and chair, North Ridge Partners

Current non-executive and government roles

2013-	Webjet (WEB.ASX) Non-Executive Director (Chair since June 2017)
2016-	Geo Limited (GEO.NZX) Non-Executive Director (Chair since May 2016)
2018-	Tourism New Zealand Board Member (Deputy Chair since April 2019)
2020-	Lotteries Commission of New Zealand Board Member (Chair since July 2020)

Former non-executive roles

2004-2008	Chair, travel.com.au (TVL.ASX)
2004-2007	Non-Executive Director, Software of Excellence (SOE.NZX)
2015-2019	Chair, Asia Pacific Digital (DIG.ASX)

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