

Board Bio – Kristy Masella

Kristy Masella is a Murri from Rockhampton, Dharumbal country in Central Queensland. She has worked in Aboriginal Affairs for more than 25 years across many portfolios in both NSW, Queensland and the Northern Territory. Kristy is the CEO and Executive Director of the national Indigenous recruitment and training company, AES. Prior to this role she was the head of Social Justice for Aboriginal Affairs NSW.



Last year, Kristy was named one of Australia's Top 100 Most Influential Woman by the Australian Financial Review and Westpac. She also went on to be awarded one of the Top 10 Category winners as Diversity Winner.

Kristy studied Journalism at the University of Queensland and has been presented with a number of prestigious awards in her career such as the National Trust Print Media Commendation Award and the Australian Society of Archivists Mander Jones Award for her work as Co-author of Connecting Kin. Kristy holds a Masters in Human Rights Law and Policy at the University of NSW specialising in Indigenous rights.

Kristy is the current Chairperson of Tranby Aboriginal College. She has been an active member of the Tranby Board of Directors since in 2009. Kristy held the leadership role as CEO of Tranby Aboriginal College in 2010/11. Kristy is also the Chairperson of Wunanbiri Incorporated, one of the most successful independent Aboriginal community preschools in NSW. Last year, she was invited on to the inaugural Committee of Sydney University's National Centre of Cultural Competency's to establish the Community Council. She is a former Co-chair of the NSW Reconciliation Council and was nominated for the NSW Justice Award in 2014.

Kristy is a mother of two daughters.

