

Australian National Committee of CIGRE Annual General Meeting 22nd November 2019

CIGRE Australia AGM – Voting Process

Whilst all votes cast are confidential, CIGRE statutes determine different voting weightings for different classes of membership. It is therefore necessary to be able to identify which member is voting so that the correct weighting can be applied to that member's vote.

Therefore, members will be required to complete the voting forms and where applicable the proxy form and either post, email or hand them to the Executive Manager/Company Secretary **PRIOR to the beginning of the AGM.**

This will allow the votes to be collated in the correct member groupings and the appropriate weighting to be allocated to each class of vote.

Following collection of any votes presented at the AGM, a count will be undertaken of proxy and votes lodged and the successful candidates announced during the AGM.

Results of the elections will be published on our CIGRE Australia website and nominated persons who are not at the AGM contacted with the result.

If you are a member representative of your organisation, **please ensure that you have consulted within your organisation to ensure that the vote lodged reflects the view of the member organisation.** **NOTE: Each individual or collective member can only lodge ONE voting return.**

The vote from a Collective member must be lodged by that organisations CIGRE representative.

Options for members in casting their vote are:

- 1. You can lodge your vote electronically through the link below. (this is regardless of attending or not attending the AGM).**

***Note:** All nominee statements are included below in this notice and are not available in the electronic voting document.*

[TO LODGE YOUR VOTE ONLINE – CLICK HERE](#)

- 2. If you are attending the AGM and wish to lodge your vote at the AGM only:**

- a. Complete the attached voting form (**Form 2**) ensuring they are signed.
- b. **Bring the forms to the AGM** and ensure that they are handed to the CIGRE Executive Manager & Secretary, Mr Terry Killen **PRIOR to 9am Brisbane time** at the AGM venue.

- 3. If you are not attending the AGM but wish to assign a proxy so that your vote is registered other than electronically:**

- a. *Assign proxy to Chairman*
 - i. Complete the proxy form (**Form 1**) ensuring that you place a **X** in the box indicating you are assigning your Proxy to the Chairman of the meeting.
 - ii. Complete voting Forms 1 and/or 2 and post or email all Forms to:

Mr Terry Killen
Executive Manager and Company Secretary
CIGRE Australia
PO Box 2178
TOOWONG, QLD 4066
email: anc@cigreaustralia.org.au

To arrive by: Midnight Friday 15th November 2019

Or

b. Assign proxy to third party

- i. Complete the proxy form (Form 1) ensuring you place a **X** in the box indicating that you assign your proxy to a third party.
- ii. Complete the voting Form 2 with your choice
- iii. Give the proxy Form 1 and voting Form 2 to your proxy and ensure they hand them in to the Executive Manager & Company Secretary, Mr Terry Killen **PRIOR** to start of the AGM.

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ANC – DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

Background Information relating to CIGRE Australia Board Positions

Board Position	Current	As at AGM
Chairman	Mr Trevor Armstrong	Continuing – Mid Term
Deputy Chairman	Mr Edward Wilson* #	Vacant (end of term)
Treasurer	Mr Anthony Armstrong* #	Vacant (end of term)
Chairman of the Australian Technical Committee	Mr David Bones* #	Vacant (end of term)
General Directors	Dr Stephen Jay Prof. Simon Bartlett Mr Philip Southwell* Mr Stephen Clark* Ms Angela Klepac * Mr Kenneth Barber	Continuing – Mid Term Vacant (end of term not eligible to re-nominate) Vacant (end of term) Vacant (end of term) Vacant (end of term) Vacant (retired)

* These Current Directors have nominated and are seeking re-election by member vote below

At the time of issuing this voting proforma, these are the only nominees for the positions indicated. Should no late nominees be forthcoming and accepted at the AGM, these nominees will take the position and no vote will be required. Therefore members are not required to vote on these positions at this time.

NOMINEE STATEMENTS

Anthony (Tony) ARMSTRONG

Tony Armstrong is seeking a second term as ANC treasurer. In his role as Treasurer he has delivered two surplus financial years and has been instrumental in investment decisions outside the low interest-bearing bank deposits.

Tony remains an active member in CIGRE AU and holds board positions with the following organisations in the electricity sectors of NZ and AU:

- Pringle Beleski & Associates, Chairman (Collective CIGRE AU Members)
- Tekron NZ Ltd, Board Member (Collective CIGRE AU Members)
- Ergo Consultants, Advisor to the board (Currently considering CIGRE AU Membership)

My ambitions as treasurer going forward is to help the executive manager to lift the accounting professionalism within the management team and to ensure that we continue our trend of delivering financial surplus to the members.

David BONES

As the current ATC Chairman I have considerable experience in the operation of CIGRE and the management of the technical activities managed through the Australian Panels. I seek a appointment for a further 2 year term.

As a previous convenor of Australian Panel APC1, David brings to the role a thorough understanding of the operation of the international study committees and working groups. David is well placed to assist and guide newly appointed Panel Convenors in undertaking their Australian and international duties.

Stephen CLARK

I have worked in the power industry for over 25 years in a range of senior roles in transmission companies and the Australian Energy Market Operator. I was a member of the Australian C1 panel for a number of years. I am passionate about lifelong learning, engineering education and the role engineers must play in shaping the future of the power system and Australia's energy future. Cigre provides a fantastic vehicle to share information and promote these objectives so I am keen to continue my role on the Cigre board as a general director and contribute to the growth and development of Cigre in Australia and internationally

Angela KLEPAC

I am seeking nomination from my fellow colleagues to continue a further 2 year term as Director on the Board of CIGRE as I am a strong believer and supporter of the work that CIGRE undertakes here in Australia in establishing and sharing our expertise across the electrical industry and internationally. My involvement with CIGRE Australia spans over 10 years as follows:

2017 to Current : Director on the Board of CIGRE Australia

2012 to 2017: Leadership role as Convener of CIGRE Australian Panel APB3- Substations. Leading and managing Australian experts in the area of substation design.

2012 to 2017 : Study Committee International Member of CIGRE - Australian representative on SCB3 - Substations 2008 - 2012 :

CIGRE Australia B3 Substations - Active Panel Member. I have also been an active contributor to the recently published 'Substations - Green Book' and technical brochure 'Managing Risk in Substations'.

Furthermore, I have over 30 years work experience in the 'Power' industry and have played an integral part in delivering technical Engineering solutions. I have managed and led electrical infrastructure projects from the early phases of project conception (planning and system studies/Engineering Design) through to construction and delivery. In summary, with your support I would like to continue in the role of Director on the Board of CIGRE with a focus on providing relevant professional industry expertise and ensuring CIGRE's future strategies are aligned with the external electrical market.

Tara-lee MACARTHUR

I feel honoured and thankful to be nominated by Jason Hall, and I accept this nomination for the General Director Position.

I consider myself an early adopter of new technology and enabler for collaboration. I am also a Chartered Professional Power Engineer working in the Substation Design Standards group for Energy Queensland. I am also a 'typical user' of CIGRE Technical Brochures, which has led me to be directly involved with the AP A2 Panel. Over the last four years, I have been the Secretary of this group and most recently engaged with; WG A2.49 (Secretary), CIGRE Editorial Board and a Co-editor of A2 Greenbook. I am very driven by goals, and my enthusiasm helps motivate and inspire these committees to share expertise and knowledge.

I want CIGRE to be the first place young engineers and senior experts alike can turn to for help on their power systems. Future CIGRE SC's preferential subjects and WG's topics will ensure sustainable engineering solutions that will be crucial for the safety and reliability of future network here in Australia. The more people we can connect, the better our ideas will become. I will bring a range of experiences to this Board from my experience as an utility collective member, NGN representative, Women in CIGRE champion and international committee experience.

I am passionate about diversity and inclusion (D&I) in the Power Industry, and this was recognised. Subsequently I was nominated for the CIGRE Editorial Board. Over the last year, I have been successful in this role promoting D&I for young engineers and Women in CIGRE. I have been championing some new Women in CIGRE initiatives, and in 2020 those initiatives will be released!

I believe my qualifications and experiences above will make me a highly suitable candidate for this position. There is so much potential with the Australia National Committee and CIGRE Australia members (including NGN), and I look forward to collaborating, encouraging through the global energy transformation.

Ankur MAHESHWARI

I am a seasoned asset management professional with graduate of Australian Institute of company Directors, a post graduate in business management and technology management, a post graduate in engineering and with specialist experience in strategic, tactical asset management of power systems. I have over 25 years' experience in wide range of techno commercial aspects of electrical power systems in a range of roles in utility, manufacturing , industrial sectors. My experience has enabled a valuable understanding of technical and economic regulation, whilst performing in various roles as an asset owner, asset manager, service provider and consulting.

I am very passionate about the scope and directions of CIGRE and the value it plays in the industry. I have contributed to works of CIGRE over past 18 years in various panels such as B3, BS, A3 and asset management topics. I also carry a vision of enhanced value that CIGRE can deliver both in terms of extension of portfolio to distribution networks as well as a more active role in transmission power systems, cognisant of the complementary work undertaken

by other forums such as ENA , CIREN, EPRI and alike. Work of CIGRE can also enable the power system community with easy access to knowledge and trusted advice on implementing the networks of future.

I have been a convenor of Australian Panel including extensive contribution to internal study committee on high voltage equipment. I have contributed to various CIGRE publications including ELECTRA article, posters, papers and technical brochures. I am an ardent coach and engage on asset management matters with a wide spectrum of audience from Regulators, Board, Executives, asset management practitioners, engineers and service providers.

With my extensive experience and knowledge of CIGRE and my vision to improve value from CIGRE, coupled with my industry experience, I am well positioned to add value to the CIGRE Board in both setting the future direction and enabling the delivery of CIGRE's organisational strategy.

Tapan SAHA

Tapan Saha has been with the University of Queensland since 1996, where he has been a Professor of Electrical Engineering and leader of Power and Energy Systems Research Group since 2005. He is a Fellow and CPEng of Engineers Australia (EA) and a Fellow of IEEE. He is a member of CIGRE AP A2 and D1. Tapan has served Queensland Electrical Branch of EA as Chair during 2012 and has served IEEE Queensland Section and IEEE Power & Energy Society Chapter since 1997 including two terms as Chair of the Section and the Chair of IEEE Australia Council. He has been serving as an Electrical College Board Member since 2015, which will expire in 12/2020.

Tapan brings significant experience from his engagement with EA-Electrical Branch, CIGRE and IEEE. He will bring technical knowledge and experience to increase CIGRE engagement with the members from both academia and industry including students and young professionals. He has extensively published in the technical literature and understand the quality and relevance of publication. He will promote the CIGRE publications to improve the prestige in the context of value to Australian industry and academia. If elected, he will increase collaboration with other cognate professional groups to make CIGRE activities more relevant for its members

Damien SANFORD

As Chief Operations Officer at the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) I am responsible for the engineering and operations of the national transmission grid and \$20b electricity market.

For the past decade I have provided strategic leadership to AEMO's engineering teams in the real- and near-time operations of Australia's electricity networks. In addition to my operational leadership to the National Electricity Market, I have overseen the implementation of significant electrical technical standards for system strength, inertia and power system control. Some of these changes, including the system strength requirements, are now considered leading edge globally.

AEMO has been an active participant and supporter of CIGRE activities for many years, providing members to many Australian study committees and international working groups, as well as CIGRE's New Generation Network.

I have been an invited participant on the CIGRE Australia board since the retirement of Mr. Ken Barber early in 2019. I consider this appointment to be an opportunity to continue to strategically contribute to CIGRE's goal of building the community of Australian experts and the next generation of engineers, while raising awareness of emerging challenges to the electrical industry.

Philip John SOUTHWELL

During my career as an electrical engineer with Western Power I had a number of technical and managerial roles culminating in senior executive positions with oversight of system planning, economic regulatory submissions, strategic planning and development of smart grid projects.

I have also had a number of leadership roles within Cigré, both within Australia and internationally as Study Committee Chair of C1 and the Convenor of two Working Groups. I have presented at two Paris Session Opening Panels, a Symposium and a number of conferences around the world where I have always promoted the value of CIGRE. I have been on the Board of CIGRE Australia for the past two years and technically edit our on-line publication, 'In the Loop'. In recognition of my work with CIGRE, I have received a number of awards including Honorary Membership in 2014 and a Fellow Award in 2016. I was also on the Board of the Australian Power Institute for a number of years.

Clear, unbiased CIGRE information can be very useful in ensuring stakeholders make well-informed decisions. I am passionate about the role we can play to globally assist in the provision of a sustainable electricity supply and I believe I have the skills and experience to support this. I would welcome the opportunity to serve on the Cigré Board for a further two years.

Kerry WILLIAMS

As an active individual member of CIGRE and past National Secretary, I believe that if elected as a Director, I can represent the individual members of CIGRE Australia. I have been involved with CIGRE Australia for over 20 years mostly with the A2 Transformers panel and intend to be a part of how the whole organisation needs to evolve to meet the changing needs of the electrical industry into the future.

I am the sole Director of my company K-BIK Power Pty Ltd and interact daily with many of the power industry's engineers both on a transmission and distribution level. Further to this I interact with many international engineers who are often CIGRE members. Locally I am Duty-Chair of the Engineers Australia Electrical College- Brisbane and see a number of opportunities to use this as a lever to allow CIGRE Australia and Engineers Australia to have a closer relationship to provide and be the primary source of factual information to the wider community on our industry.

Further to this my involvement with universities and encouragement of students to do research and then to enter the power industry is a passion that I bring to the role. By working with universities and increasing student awareness of CIGRE those students are encouraged continue as members into the future which allows for the growth of CIGRE memberships and skills within the industry.

I am a passionate engineer looking to continue to provide leadership within our industry and meet the challenges of the changing face of the electrical industry.

Edward William John WILSON

I am pleased to accept my nomination for the position of Deputy Director or General Director for the Australian National Committee of Cigre. I have been in the Deputy Director role for four years and believe I have picked this up in full capacity, including one year as Acting Chair when a previous Chair resigned early in his term. I am very keen to continue the last two-year term in this role.

The energy sector continues to face many challenges and the role of Cigre is becoming more important to the global energy sector. I represent one of few high and medium voltage equipment manufacturers remaining in Australia which contributes to the ANC Board diversity and an alternative view to a range of subjects.

I believe I have the necessary skills, passion and commitment to fulfil the role of Deputy Chairman and continue to be a member of the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee to ultimately improve the organisation and bring value to members.

END OF NOMINEE STATEMENTS

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FORM 1 - PROXY FORM

Member Name:	
Member Representative: (Collective Only)	

Appoint a Proxy on your behalf

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can appoint the chairman of the meeting or another member as your proxy.

If you wish to allocate your proxy to the Chairman of the meeting place an X in this box. You then need to post or email a copy of this proxy form and the voting forms indicating your voting preference to:

Mr Terry Killen
 Executive Manager and Company Secretary
 CIGRE Australia
 PO Box 2178
 TOOWONG, QLD 4066
 email: anc@cigreaustralia.org.au

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Alternatively, you may appoint a proxy to hand in your voting forms at the AGM.

If you choose this option, your nominated proxy must hand in your proxy form and duly authorised voting slip to the Executive Manager /Company Secretary **prior to the beginning of the AGM.**

If you wish to appoint a proxy other than the chairman of the meeting, place an **X** in the box at left and fill in the Proxy's details over the page.

Name of Proxy	
Address of Proxy	

is appointed as proxy for the member whose name appears below, to vote on the member's behalf at the annual general meeting of the Australian National Committee of CIGRE Limited on 22nd November 2019 and at any adjournment of that meeting.

SIGNED (Member/Member Representative)

DATE

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FORM 2 – DIRECTOR VOTING FORM

Member Name:	
Member Representative Name: (Collective Only)	

NOTE: To be valid, the Member Representative for a Collective vote, must be that Collectives official CIGRE representative.

Place an **X** in the square under Yes to vote for a nominee. **(5 maximum)**

	Yes
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN	
Edward WILSON *	See # below
TREASURER	
Anthony ARMSTRONG *	See # below
CHAIRMAN of the Australian Technical Committee	
David BONES *	See # below
GENERAL DIRECTOR (5 vacancies) Place an X next to ONLY the 5 nominees you choose	Yes
Stephen CLARK *	
Angela KLEPAC *	
Tara-lee MACARTHUR	
Ankur MAHESHWARI	
Tapan SAHA	
Damien SANFORD	
Philip SOUTHWELL *	
Kerry WILLIAMS	

* Current general Directors seeking re-election

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