

PRESS RELEASE

B-HERT Announces New President



The Business/Higher Education Round Table is pleased to announce the appointment of Peter Tyree CPEng, Hon FIE (Aust), FTSE as the organisation's new President for a two-year term.

Peter was the Chair of the Tyree Group of Companies, one of the largest non public companies in Australia. He is an Electrical Engineer with the majority of his work experience being within the Electricity Supply Industry; starting his career as a Cadet Engineer at the then Sydney County Council, (now Energy Australia.)

Peter's professional engineering background includes areas as diverse as sewerage treatment and its associated civil construction; the field of design of Extra High voltage switchgear and in particular SF6 technology. After working in NZ as production manager in a HV transformer manufacturer in the mid '70s, Peter returned to Melbourne to take up a senior sales position in Tyree Industries (Victoria) Following the sale of the company to Westinghouse Electric., Peter and his father established a new enterprise in Mittagong, NSW, making electrical conductors for use in LV and HV apparatus. This has grown into a diverse business today.

Inheriting a sense of community spirit from his parents, Peter adopted a "give to society" attitude many years ago. This attitude has resulted in working with charitable and industry bodies as well as keeping long term relationships with several universities and their faculties of engineering.

In his relationships with universities, his involvement has been as a member of a number of "visiting" Committees, School and faculty advisory boards and Foundations, particularly the University of Wollongong, University of Sydney and the University of NSW, each of which has given Peter deep insights into how important the Business/Higher Education relationships are.

Peter is a chartered professional engineer and either has been or remains:

- Chairman of the Australian National Committee, CIGRE*
- Treasurer and Public Officer of the Paris based Governing Council of CIGRE
- Member of the Visiting Committees of the Faculty of Engineering and the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Wollongong University
- Chairman, Dean's Industry advisory Board, University of NSW Faculty of Engineering
- Board Member of the Electrical & Information Engineering Foundation at Sydney University
- Chairman of the Copper Development Centre, (Australia)

Peter's passion for innovation in both business and tertiary education is ideally suited to promote B-HERT's mission of increasing and improving collaboration between the business and education sectors.

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