



Chief Executive Women

Women leaders enabling women leaders

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CEW Scholars:

BBC Worldwide's Fiona Lang and Ramsay Health's Melanie Gates head to INSEAD

Chief Executive Women (CEW) announce the 2017 winners of two scholarships offered to attend the highly regarded Leading for Results program at INSEAD, Singapore.

Scholarship winners will attend the program in November, which is designed to provide experienced managers with crucial skills for leading people in a globalised environment.

"CEW is delighted with the winners and proud to provide talented women with the opportunity to build their leadership skills, enrich their experiences and advance their careers.

"The aim of CEW's Scholarship Program is to provide opportunities that will fast-track the careers of talented women and improve the representation of women in senior leadership roles in Australia," said Kathryn Fagg, President of Chief Executive Women.

The winners

Fiona Lang is the Chief Operating Officer of BBC Worldwide Australia & New Zealand (ANZ), responsible for Strategy, Business Development, Operations/ IT, and Legal and Business Affairs.

Fiona is a Non-Executive Director of the UN Women National Committee Australia. She is a mentor for The Women's College at The University of Sydney.

"I believe the Leading for Results program will teach me how to address challenges with the mindset and confidence of leading a company. It will also provide a sound framework for developing a strategy to respond to the structural change, communicate it and lead teams through it," said Fiona Lang.

Melanie Gates is the Chief Executive Officer for Ramsay Health in Albury Wodonga. As a hospital CEO, Melanie's focus is to provide leadership and strategic direction for the Hospitals, establishing and maintaining strong links with the medical and local community and ensuring that the facilities provide excellent patient care whilst meeting operational and business objectives.

"Moving into my new role as CEO I aspire to be an authentic and inspirational leader. This program will greatly assist me to understand my strengths and development areas and to

provide pragmatic strategies and techniques that I can apply immediately,” said Melanie Gates.

The scholarships

INSEAD's Leading for Results program provides experienced managers with the crucial skills for leading people in a globalised business environment. It equips participants with a concrete strategy for transforming their leadership abilities, and helps them communicate a compelling vision that can inspire others to perform beyond even their own expectations.

Fiona Lang and Melanie Gates will be joining 4 other CEW scholars, Andrea Kelly, Jahna Cedar, Rebecca Lannen and Tiffany Vale who are also attending Leading for Results in November, through CEW's partnership with the Roberta Sykes Indigenous Education Foundation and the Australian Government.

The scholarships are part of the CEW Scholars program, which helps talented Australia women take their careers to the next level by supporting executive education at internationally acclaimed business schools.

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About CEW Scholars (www.cew.org.au/scholarships)

The CEW Scholars program enables women leaders by supporting them at critical junctures in their careers, from their first management roles to top executive positions. More than 120 women have been awarded scholarships to business schools in Australia and internationally since CEW commenced its executive program for women leaders in 1992.

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About Chief Executive Women (www.cew.org.au)

Chief Executive Women is the pre-eminent organisation representing more than 420 of Australia's most senior women from the corporate, public, academic and not-for-profit sectors. Its mission is "women leaders enabling women leaders". Through advocacy, targeted programs and scholarships, CEW works to remove the barriers to women's progression and ensure equal opportunity for prosperity. CEW offers innovative and substantive programs aimed at enabling women's participation and future leadership.

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