



Dr Kirstin Ferguson

Dr Kirstin Ferguson is a company director, creator of #CelebratingWomen and author of *Women Kind*.

Dr Ferguson has experience on ASX100 and ASX200 boards, private company, government-owned corporations and not-for-profit boards. Her current board appointments include SCA Property Group Ltd, EML Payments Ltd and Hyne Timber where she is the Chair of the People and Remuneration Committees on each of these boards. She is also the Deputy Chair of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

She also contributes to the community through numerous voluntary roles including having been a board member of Layne Beachley's Foundation, SheStarts, Queensland Theatre Company, Queensland Rugby Union, mentor of Science and Technology Australia's Superstars of STEM program, and she was the Chair of the *Women's Agenda* Leadership Awards.

Dr Ferguson began her career after joining the military aged 17 and went on to become the Dux of her Air Force graduating class at the Australian Defence Force Academy. After being posted to an F-111 Squadron, she studied law and spent almost a decade in executive leadership roles in a corporate law firm. Dr Ferguson then went on to become CEO of a global consulting organisation before commencing her professional company director career.

With Honours degrees in both History and also Law, Kirstin also has a PhD in leadership and governance for which she has received a number of academic and industry awards. Kirstin is an Adjunct Professor of the QUT Business School. She is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and a graduate of both the Company Director Course and International Company Director Course.

An advocate for gender diversity and equality in the workplace, Dr Ferguson is a member of national and international women's organisations including Chief Executive Women, Women Corporate Directors and the Women's Leadership Institute of Australia.

Some of Dr Ferguson's awards include:

2018 - Queensland Award for Excellence in Women's Leadership by Women & Leadership Australia

2017 - Finalist in the Walkley Foundation Our Watch Awards for Best Use of Social Media for #CelebratingWomen

2014 - Named by the Australian Financial Review as one of Australia's 100 Women of Influence (Board & Management Category)

2015 - Awarded Dr Eric Wigglesworth Medal by Safety Institute of Australia

2012 - Awarded QUT Colin Brain Corporate Governance Fellowship

2012 - Awarded Australian Institute of Company Directors Talbot Foundation Scholarship

2005 - Awarded Brisbane Young Manager of the Year by Australian Institute of Management

2003 - Awarded Sir Winston Churchill Fellowship

1998 - Received the Australian Defence Medal

1993 - Awarded Chief of Defence Force Air Force prize as top graduating RAAF cadet at the Australian Defence Force Academy