

## John Trowbridge receives an Order of Australia Medal for service to business

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The Actuaries Institute (the Institute) congratulates John Trowbridge OAM who has received a Medal of the Order of Australia for his significant service to business, to the risk management sector, and to the actuarial profession.

The award recognises Mr Trowbridge's distinguished career as an actuary, consultant, executive, company director and regulator, with his expertise fundamentally shaping Australia's insurance landscape and regulatory framework. His leadership has influenced major reforms across the financial services industry and enhanced protection for Australian consumers.

Throughout his career, Mr Trowbridge has been instrumental in advancing public policy. He served as President of the Actuaries Institute in 1998, where he established an active public policy agenda for the profession. He has been recognised with numerous awards including Actuary of the Year in 2006 and the Institute's Volunteer of the Year Distinguished Service Award in 2019.

Mr Trowbridge founded Trowbridge Consulting in the 1980s, building it into a leading actuarial and management consulting firm in Australia and Asia before merging with Deloitte in 2000. He has held senior executive positions and served as the APRA Member for Insurance from 2006 to 2010.

His regulatory and policy contributions include chairing the Australian Government's review of natural disaster insurance following the 2011 floods and leading the Life Insurance & Advice Working Group in 2015, which recommended reforms that came into effect in 2018. He also conducted reviews for the Reserve Bank of New Zealand following the failure of CBL Insurance and completed an independent strategic review for the Insurance Council on commercial insurance affordability and availability in Australia. He has recently contributed extensively to reforms in the strata insurance sector.

John Trowbridge OAM said: "I have been privileged to work across many facets of the financial services industry throughout my career, always with the aim of strengthening our systems and improving outcomes for Australians. This recognition is deeply humbling, and I hope my contributions have helped build a more resilient and fairer financial services sector for future generations."

Mr Trowbridge was a member of the Treasurer's Financial Sector Advisory Council from 1998 to 2004 and served on ASIC's External Advisory Panel from 2010 to 2014. Beyond his professional achievements, he has contributed to the broader community, including volunteering for the University of Sydney across various committees.

Actuaries Institute President Win-Li Toh said: "John Trowbridge is one of the most eminent actuaries of our generation and has significantly influenced Australia's financial system. John continues to be an inspiration to actuaries at all stages of their careers, demonstrating how our skills can be applied to create meaningful change in society."

Actuaries Institute CEO Elayne Grace said: "John is an exemplar for our profession with his principled leadership and an unwavering commitment to the public interest. His contributions to financial services regulation and policy have protected countless Australians, while his dedication to the actuarial professional standards has strengthened our entire profession."

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