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FOREWORD

When it comes to success stories in the agricultural sector it is difficult to go past Grains Australia Limited. Established by the Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC) on behalf of grain growers in 2020, the entity has continued to successfully consolidate a range of critical industry good functions for the grains sector.

At a time when international markets and supply chain logistics continue to be volatile and challenging, Australian grain growers need a collaborative and unified approach to these functions. Grains Australia is leading the way for the industry and playing a core role in managing variety classification, trade and market access, and market information and education to enhance our national and international competitiveness and ultimately, ensure the grains industry’s profitability.

This year we have seen Grains Australia join forces with the Australian Export Grains Innovation Centre (AEGIC) to drive collaboration and improved co-ordination and streamline and deliver efficiencies across key areas.

This is a ‘natural alignment’ that will maximise the value of these two powerful investments to Australian grain growers and strengthen and build strategic market relationships. Ultimately this alignment will deliver a connected set of industry good services through all parts of the grain supply chain.

Since July 2022, Grains Australia has also proactively established a new Wheat Council, a Barley Council, an Oat Council, a Grains Market Access Council (GMAC), a Pulse Council and established a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Australian Oilseeds Federation, as well as worked to deliver accreditation across a range of crop varieties.

Having an in-depth understanding of markets and classification preferences and having mechanisms for relaying that information back to the entire grains supply chain is critically important to ensuring the grains sector can proactively respond to industry trends.

I would like to thank the Grains Australia Board under the guidance of Chair Terry Enright and the team led by Chief Executive Officer Richard Simonaitis, for the major gains made in these areas over the past year.

Grains Australia is one of the agricultural sector’s genuine success stories and GRDC remains committed to ensuring this industry good company continues to be a valuable investment and deliver genuine, tangible returns for the nation’s grain growers.

Nigel Hart
Managing Director
Grains Research and Development Corporation



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Grains Australia is an initiative of the Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC). GRDC leads investment in grains research, development and extension (RD&E) in Australia to create enduring profitability for grain growers.

In the spirit of reconciliation, Grains Australia acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.

INTRODUCTION

Grains Australia brings together critical functions for the grains industry to enhance competitiveness and profitability. We service the connection between what the market wants and what the industry can provide.

Grains Australia delivers value to the Australian grains industry through the provision of industry services and functions including management of trade and market access, classification, market insights and market education that improve the industry’s competitiveness and profitability.

- Grains Australia is an initiative of GRDC.
- Grains Australia’s strategic priorities are to:
- Engage and communicate to develop priorities for the grains industry
 - Establish and maintain market-driven grain variety classification systems
 - Provide services to maintain or improve trade and market access
 - Analyse market and consumer trends to understand demand and identify priorities
 - Ensure technical support and training for customers and stakeholders
 - In its capacity as a member of AEGIC, Grains Australia provides funding to AEGIC in support of research, development and extension programs.

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CHAIR'S REPORT



**Terry
Enright**
Chair



This year for Grains Australia has been one of impact as we have successfully delivered value to the Australian grains industry and met the expectations of our member organisation, GRDC.

The decision at the start of 2023 from GRDC to commit more than \$17.5 million over four years to Grains Australia was a significant investment in the future of the nation's grain growers. GRDC continues to recognise the value of bringing together critical services that support the grains industry's development and profitability. Thanks to this investment by GRDC, Grains Australia is able to connect what the market wants to what our industry can provide and therefore enable a value exchange between Australian growers and end users of grain around the world.

A key achievement this year was the appointment of Richard Simonaitis who started as Chief Executive Officer of Grains Australia in November 2022. Under Richard's leadership, Grains Australia's capacity has been boosted significantly with several key appointments being made. Efficient delivery of the core services of trade and market access, classification, market insights and market education services has built further momentum this year and Grains Australia is in a strong position to further enhance the industry's competitiveness and profitability.

Integral to Grains Australia's effectiveness is our consultation with industry and incorporating information and perspectives from across all commodities and the entire grains value chain. We do this formally through the mechanism of our Councils which provide advice to the Board and help determine strategic direction. I am pleased to say that in 2023 we have established the Grains Market Access Council (GMAC) and the Pulse Council. They join the Wheat Council, the Barley Council and the Oat Council which were established in 2022.

In July 2023 we confirmed a high level of ongoing collaboration, service and support between the Australian Oilseeds Federation (AOF) and Grains Australia with a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This MOU means the Board of AOF can act as a reference group for Grains Australia on matters related to the Australian oilseeds industry.

Work is underway with Pulse Australia as they transfer assets and functions related to trade and market access, classification, market insights and market information to Grains Australia. It is expected this transition will be completed by December 2023.

This year, closer integration between Grains Australia and AEGIC was facilitated to drive better outcomes for Australian grain growers. Where GRDC had previously invested in AEGIC as one of its member organisations, that has now evolved so the investment comes via Grains Australia. As of August 2023, AEGIC has officially become an initiative of the Western Australian State Government and Grains Australia.



Importantly, on behalf of grain growers and the wider industry, I want to thank GRDC for supporting the activities of Grains Australia this year and into the future. We're very pleased to be an initiative of GRDC and its commitment to Grains Australia is what makes it possible for us to deliver value for the grains industry at large.

I would like to thank our Advisory Committee member organisations including GRDC, Grain Producers Australia (GPA) and GrainGrowers Limited (GrainGrowers). The steadfast support of their management and boards is integral to our operations. We want to also acknowledge the long-term support of Grain Trade Australia (GTA) which was critical to our establishment phase. In May this year GTA decided to step back from its official role on the Advisory Committee. However, we continue to work closely with them, particularly on trade and market access matters.

To the board of Pulse Australia, my thanks for the cooperation and goodwill that enabled the transfer of its core functions to Grains Australia. To the board of AEGIC, thank you for working so closely with us to facilitate the alignment of our organisations and to help us deliver vital market insights and education services. Thank you to the board of AOF for working with us on the MOU and we look forward to receiving your ongoing advice and insights.

I would also like to take this opportunity to let people know that, as my term comes to an end in October 2023, I will be stepping down from the Board of Grains Australia and from my position as Chair. It's been a privilege to be part of establishing and expanding one central organisation that brings together critical functions to drive profitability for the Australian grains industry.

To my fellow Directors, Company Secretary Jennifer Hindmarsh, and CEO Richard Simonaitis, I extend my sincere thanks for your efforts, and I want to acknowledge the whole Grains Australia team which has continued to deliver at an exceptionally high standard.

Grains Australia is well positioned to take a leading role in the delivery of critical services and functions for the Australian grains industry into the future. We will continue to maximise value for growers, end users and everyone in between.

CEO'S REPORT



**Richard
Simonaitis**
Chief Executive Officer



In the past 12 months Grains Australia has moved out of its established phase and is now focused on consistent delivery of value.

We do this through alignment, prioritisation, coordination and efficiency and the team's focus is firmly on:

- Taking a long-term strategic view
- Delivering impact and value to growers
- Doing good work and doing it well
- Doing what we say we will do
- Anticipating stakeholder needs
- Being easy to work with
- Consistent consultation and communication.

Grains Australia's purpose is closely aligned with that of our member organisation, GRDC – to create enduring profitability for Australian grain growers. I want to take this opportunity to thank GRDC for its ongoing support and its commitment, announced at the start of 2023, to invest more than \$17.5 million over four years in Grains Australia. It's that investment that makes it possible for Grains Australia to lead the industry forward and deliver services effectively and efficiently to maintain the strength of our mandate.

Grains Australia has taken the lead in coordinating and managing a number of research, development and extension (RD&E) projects aligned with the priorities of the Australian grains industry. These include projects in progress and under development such as foundation market intelligence for Africa, lupin value adding,

feed grain trials in Vietnam, exploring canola meal opportunities in New Zealand, and understanding and prioritising Non-Tariff Measures (NTMs).

We have also led projects funded through the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry's Agricultural Trade and Market Access Cooperation (ATMAC) Program which harnessed opportunities to access new markets for Australian grain and strengthen market presence through existing channels. These include market diversification for malting barley, exploring new demand for Australian barley in South East Asia, market indices to identify future wheat and barley market opportunities, identifying immediate South East Asian aquaculture markets with the best fit for Australian grain, and benchmarking Australian wheat quality and performance.

This year we were pleased to kick off the Indonesia – Australia Grains Value Chain Leadership Program, bringing 25 future leaders of the Indonesian grains industry to Australia to expand their business networks and develop their understanding and knowledge of grains value chains. Exporting grain, particularly wheat to Indonesia, is a significant agribusiness transaction for Australia with a 35-year history and it is vital that we develop new and nurture existing networks and connections between the Indonesian and Australian grains and food industries. The program is deepening relationships and building broader networks between our partner countries to transfer knowledge and improve understanding in both directions.



Another key achievement for Grains Australia has been significantly boosting the capacity of our team with six new industry professionals joining us since last October, including myself as CEO in November 2022. We will appoint a Chief Financial Officer (CFO) before the end of November 2023.

Natalie Lee joined as General Manager, Strategy and Communication, bringing significant strategic communications experience from her previous roles working with grower groups, GRDC and in media. In the area of stakeholder engagement and communications, Tatjana Karov joined us as Council Coordination Manager, bringing expertise across agricultural economics, research, marketing and technical communications.

In the trade and market access business unit, Peter Breguet joined as Senior Manager, Trade and Market Access, bringing experience in agricultural commodity marketing and grain quality. Lachlan Evans joined as Trade and Market Access Manager, bringing experience across diplomacy, government relations, trade and politics.

In our classification business unit, we welcomed Elham Saeedabadian at the end of October 2022 as Wheat Classification and Technical Manager who has brought significant research and technical wheat industry expertise.

I would like to say thank you to our team which has delivered consistently and exceptionally over the past 12 months. I acknowledge the hard work of our General Managers for Trade and Market Access and Classification, John Ackerman and Megan Sheehy respectively, and would like to thank our Company Secretary Jennifer Hindmarsh and team members Elysia Vassos and Tanya Plain.

Thank you to the Board of Grains Australia for its consistent support and guidance, and to our Chair Terry Enright in particular, who is stepping back from his position this year. Terry's service to the Australian grains industry has been exceptional over many years and he has made a significant and positive impact on the people around him. In February 2023 he was rightfully honoured with a prestigious GRDC Seed of Gold Award for outstanding contribution, dedication and commitment to the industry. We wish Terry all the best for his next adventure.

Grains Australia is in a very strong position as we look to 2024 and we will continue to deliver value through the effective delivery of critical industry functions and service the connection between what the market wants and what the Australian grains industry can provide.

TRADE AND MARKET ACCESS UPDATE



Dr John Ackerman
General Manager,
Trade and Market
Access

This year Grains Australia has invested further in the resources, engagement and skills to ensure a strategic, structured whole of industry approach to grains trade and market access.

We deliver value to the Australian grains industry through the maintenance and improvement of access to current markets and the simultaneous development of new markets for Australian-grown grain.

Grains Australia is focused on delivering the following strategic trade and market access outcomes for the Australian grains industry:

- Credible and trusted opportunity analysis, including better understanding of the dynamics (e.g. production, trade and demand including domestic vs overseas trade) and strategic trends (e.g. greater foresight into measures including sanitary, phytosanitary, and non-tariff measures)
- Government’s point of contact on international grain trade matters, including improved evidence-driven justification and forward-thinking
- Strategic responses to trade and market access issues, ensuring evidence is presented outlining benefits across the value chain
- Greater market diversification with greater benefits communicated, not just for Australia, but the customer
- Reduced trade impediments through improved systems being in place, with a documented approach and greater ability to deliver evidence-based economics.



To achieve these outcomes and ensure all trade and market access matters are elevated, streamlined, cross-commodity and supported by industry and government, Grains Australia will continue to develop resources and capabilities to be both strategic and agile in order to capture opportunity. We are building our technical, strategic, and operational capabilities to further project management trade policy matters and knowledge of multilateral institutes and trade organisations. This will increase foresight, improve visibility overseas and ensure our story is being told and that we are communicating tangible targets.

Grains Market Access Council

A significant achievement this year was the establishment of the new Grains Market Access Council (GMAC) in May 2023. GMAC brings together expertise from across different commodities and various skills and perspectives from across the supply chain. GMAC provides strategic advice to the Board of Grains Australia and has a crucial role to play in ensuring efficient coordination of whole-of-industry responses to trade and market access objectives and priorities. It provides a consistent communicative approach to key stakeholders.

Building capacity

Within the Grains Australia Trade and Market Access business unit, I’m pleased to say we’ve significantly expanded our capacity to deliver value to the industry with the appointment of two experienced professionals this year.



Peter Breguet joined as Senior Manager, Trade and Market Access, bringing experience in agricultural commodity marketing and grain quality. Peter is well versed in fostering relationships with industry, government and international partners. Lachlan Evans joined us as Trade and Market Access Manager, bringing experience across diplomacy, government relations, trade and politics.

We look forward to Peter and Lachlan making a significant contribution to the trade and market access team and delivering strategic outcomes for the Australian grains industry.

Projects and programs

Grains Australia has continued to take the lead in coordinating grains industry projects under the ATMAC Program which funds projects focused on expanding trade for Australia’s agriculture sectors. In 2023, Grains Australia, working with related grains bodies, secured funding for four ATMAC ‘round two’ projects, with a total budget of approximately \$574,000. This funding joined an additional \$180,000 contribution from GRDC to be used for market diversification as part of investment in new and growth areas under the corporation’s new RD&E 2023-28 Plan.

A key achievement this year was coordinating a new program to support knowledge exchange and upskill workers in Indonesia’s rapidly growing flour milling industry, improving efficiency and enhancing the value of Australian wheat. The Indonesia – Australia Grains Value Chain Leadership Program is a collaboration

between the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade-funded IA-CEPA ECP Katalis, Grains Australia, the Indonesian Flour Milling Association (APTINDO) and the Indonesian Feedmills Association (GPMT).

Government engagement

As part of working across the industry, Grains Australia has continued to participate as a member of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry’s Grain and Plant Products Export Industry Consultative Committee (GPPEICC) this year. GPPEICC is the principal forum for the Federal Government to consult with grain, fodder, nuts, seed, and timber industries on export inspection and certification, export market access and other relevant issues.

I would like to thank the Grains Australia team, GMAC and our Commodity Councils for their support and guidance this year in delivering trade and market access services. Grains Australia is grateful to be able to collaborate and consult with many other organisations to ensure a wide array of expertise and perspectives are considered in trade and market access matters. These include GTA, GRDC, GPA, GrainGrowers, AEGIC and the Australian Government Departments of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

CLASSIFICATION UPDATE



Dr Megan Sheehy
General Manager,
Classification

Grains Australia's classification services deliver value to both growers and the market by providing Australia with the opportunity to compete on the global stage, with leading varieties that are fit for purpose and add value throughout the supply chain.

The classification of varieties provides market signals for growers about the potential value of that variety. This in turn helps to define quality targets for breeders and effectively determines the current and future quality of Australian grain for domestic and export purposes.

This year we have maintained and improved the existing variety classification systems for barley and wheat and established new national programs and systems for oats and pulses.

Wheat

Grains Australia delivers the market-driven wheat variety classification system that represents value for customers and producers. It ensures the competitiveness of Australian wheat and its quality by meeting required standards of customers and end users.

Improvements to the wheat laboratory proficiency testing program will be progressed in the next 12 months and a review of the implementation of controls for classification will be carried out. Other initiatives include progressing the 'work plan for Australian White Wheat (AWW)' – a key focus for Grains Australia's Wheat Council. Grains Australia is supporting Grain



Trade Australia (GTA) with the next important step of the development of segregations, cascading and receival standards.

Eleven new varieties of wheat were classified and listed on the 2023-24 Wheat Variety Master List at the start of August, including nine Hard milling varieties, one Australian Soft variety and one Australian Durum variety. Three new feed varieties were also introduced onto the Master List.

Barley

The critical work of malt barley accreditation continued under Grains Australia in 2022/23 with guidance from the Barley Council, and the Malting and Brewing Industry Barley Technical Committee (MBIBTC). Grains Australia's accreditation process is recognised as the required standard for the determination of all new Australian malting barley varieties.

In March 2023 we announced the successful malt accreditation of the barley variety Buff and the Accredited Malting Varieties table was updated to reflect this new accreditation. Three new varieties were accepted into the Accreditation Program and the status of other varieties under evaluation was updated in the Varieties Under Evaluation table. The Preferred Varieties table for 2023 was also updated as a guide to industry on market preferred varieties.

The Barley Council initiated a review of the malt barley accreditation program, as part of periodic regular reviews, which commenced in May 2023. A significant review of data management for barley classification is underway and will be upgraded in 2024 to be fully integrated into the classification database.

Pulse

Grains Australia is currently working with key industry stakeholders, guided by our Pulse Council, on the development of an industry-first pulse classification system.

This system will provide an opportunity to improve consistency and create Australian 'branded' pulse classes which will support market differentiation and potentially deliver greater returns for growers. A pilot project to establish the basis of a classification framework for lentils was completed in the first half of 2023, and the next steps for its implementation are being progressed.

Oat

Establishing a new national oat classification system was an identified priority for the industry last year, as a critical means of ensuring new varieties meet the immediate and long-term needs of both Australian growers and our domestic and international customers.

This year we were pleased to launch the preliminary phase of an Australian Oat Classification Program, based on the previous Grain Industry Association of Western Australia (GIWA) program. We did this with guidance from the Grains Australia Oat Council

and working closely with GIWA, AEGIC and other key industry stakeholders. Further work is currently underway on the next phase, which is to review the current program and develop a new National Framework for Oats Classification.

In April 2023 we announced that two new high-yielding varieties had been accepted into the first stage of the Preliminary Program and those varieties will now progress to full commercial milling assessment from January 2024 before further decisions are made about their classification.

Oilseeds

Grains Australia is working closely with the Australian Oilseeds Federation, under the MOU announced in July this year, on classification processes for oilseed crops including canola, and this will continue to evolve in 2024.

I would like to thank the Classification team at Grains Australia, the Commodity Councils and all the organisations that have supported us in delivering vital classification services. We look forward to continuing to work together to maintain and expand the solid framework of market-oriented classification systems that deliver value across the Australian grains industry.



MARKET INSIGHTS AND EDUCATION UPDATE

Grains Australia’s Market Insights and Education services ensure that the Australian grains industry value chain has the intelligence it needs to make informed decisions about breeding, classification, growing and the supply chain. It is our role to raise awareness among customers and sellers about the profitable use of Australian grains and support value creation.

Market insights

Knowing what the end users and customers of Australian grain – from millers and processors to maltsters and brewers – want now and into the future is critical to ensuring that Australia can meet the needs of its key markets and generate value for growers and others in the industry.

Grains Australia analyses market and consumer trends to better understand demand, and identify priorities by:

- Accessing and sharing validated and trusted international and domestic market insights
- Fostering two-way communication on market, customer and consumer opportunities
- Prioritising programs based on market information
- Taking into consideration market learnings from Australian grains industry customers and consumers.

Market education

Market education puts the value proposition for Australian grain front and centre with customers and sellers to ensure the profitable use of our products.

Grains Australia is responsible for ensuring that technical support and training are available for customers and other stakeholders in the grains value chain. This requires a clear understanding of the unique technical and market requirements of our customers, then delivering relevant and accessible support and training and addressing any technical expertise gaps in the supply chain.

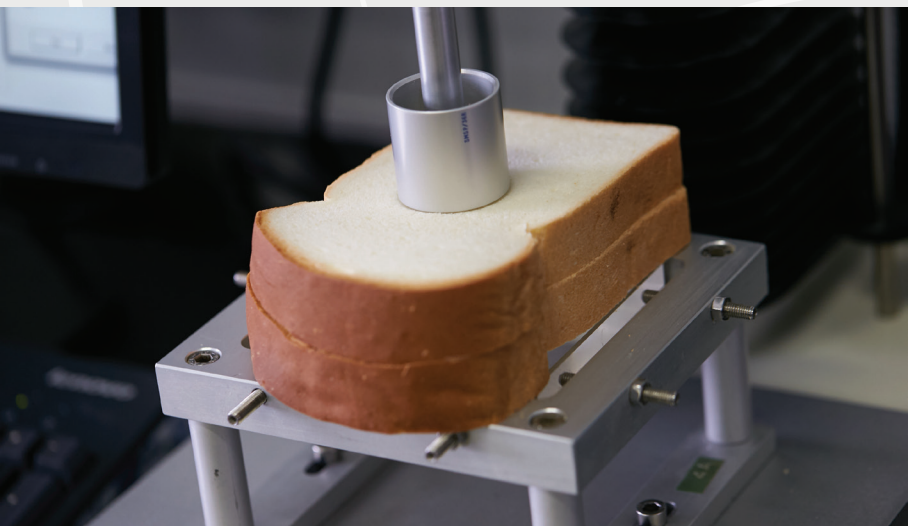
Integration with AEGIC

In April 2023, it was announced that the activities of Grains Australia and AEGIC would be integrated and aligned to drive collaboration, improve coordination and deliver efficiencies. This integration has been formalised under the new structure. Investment in AEGIC from GRDC comes through Grains Australia, replacing GRDC as a Member of AEGIC. The Western Australian Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) continues to invest directly in AEGIC.

Grains Australia and AEGIC work together in an integrated way to drive better outcomes for Australian grain growers and AEGIC supports Grains Australia with the delivery of some market insights and education services.

AEGIC is an initiative of Grains Australia and the Western Australian State Government, through DPIRD.

AEGIC is a delivery partner for some of Grains Australia’s market insights and education services.



ACHIEVEMENTS

ACTIVITIES COMPLETED IN 2022/23		
Governance	Strategic Priority	Operational
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AEGIC integration delivering operational synergies and value• Preparation for establishment of Strategic Review Group to facilitate strategic alignment with AEGIC• 3x GRDC funding/investment contracts in place<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Core funding• Classification & Councils• RD&E projects• Contract reporting to GRDC completed quarterly as required• Audit & Risk Committee established• Risk management framework established• 2023/24 budget approved• Communication & Engagement Strategy endorsed• Board review procedure (including assessment) complete• Board skills matrix complete• Membership review in conjunction with GRDC• Council Selection Committee established• Audit complete with an unmodified audit opinion from the Australian National Audit Office• Annual review of policies & procedure undertaken. Additional policies & procedures developed• Cyber security audit undertaken, and recommendations implemented	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focus on delivering value (have now moved beyond consolidation stage)• Wheat Council established• Barley Council established• Grains Market Access Council established• Grains Industry Market Access Forum integration• Oat Council established• Pulse Council established• Pulse Australia integration• Australian Oilseeds Federation Memorandum of Understanding• Barley strategic priorities established• Lentil classification framework established• Australian White Wheat class implemented• Trade and Market Access industry consultation complete• Annual Operating Plan 2023/24 approved• Structured communication with key stakeholders on focus areas for trade and market access	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recruitment:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CEO - Richard Simonaitis• Classification and Technical Manager, Wheat – Elham Saeedabadian• Preparation for recruitment of:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• General Manager, Strategy & Communication - Natalie Lee• Senior Manager, Trade & Market Access – Peter Breguet• Trade & Market Access Manager – Lachlan Evans• Council Coordination Manager – Tatjana Karov• Additional company policies completed• \$1.5 million for projects via Agricultural Trade and Market Access Program (includes GRDC co-investment)• In-kind co-investment with Katalis for ‘e-learning’ project and leadership program. Katalis aims to unlock the economic potential of the partnership between Australia and Indonesia• Preparation for new website• Increased media/social media presence• Establishment of a policy and processes for investment projects

OUR APPROACH



COUNCILS

Grains Australia’s Commodity Councils and the Grains Market Access Council (GMAC) provide advice to the Board to assist in determining our strategic direction to create outcomes that are of value to the Australian grains industry.

Wheat Council

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| Haydn Kuchel (Chair) | Matthew Madden |
| Julie Alvaro | Alex Onus |
| Darryl Borlase | William Reid |
| Larisa Cato | Claire Shadbolt |
| Alastair Falconer | William Syers |
| Kirsty Germaine | Bruce Watson |

Grains Market Access Council (GMAC)

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| Brett Hosking (Chair) | Luke O’Connor |
| Julie Alvaro | Adrian Reginato |
| Lyndon Asser | Rosemary Richards |
| Rob Dickie | John Stuart |
| Luke Matthews | Michael Vaccari |
| John Minogue | |



Photo of Wheat Council 2022 (absent William Syers)

Barley Council

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| Drew Robertson (Chair) | Paul Rigoni |
| Amanda Box | Simon Robertson |
| Mark Goldsmith | Jeff Stewart |
| Jack King | Jeremy Thiblet |
| Haydn Kuchel | Simon Tickner |
| Luke O’Connor | Tresslyn Walmsley |



Photo of Barley Council 2022 (absent Tresslyn Walmsley)

Pulse Council

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| Peter Wilson (Chair) | Kathy La Macchia |
| William Alexander | Joseph Panuccio |
| Julia Hausler | Mark Schilling |
| Kathi Hertel | Janine Sounness |
| Sam Holmes | Anne Wilkins |
| Julie O’Dea | |

Oat Council

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| Ashley Wiese (Chair) | Jack King |
| Greg Carroll | David Oates |
| Calvin Chiew | Michael Vaccari |
| Sara Grafenauer | Tresslyn Walmsley |
| Chris Karagiannis | |

Acknowledgement of in-kind support

Grains Australia would like to take this opportunity to thank the organisations which have contributed to the operation of our Councils through in-kind support including their team members’ time and expertise, and waiving travel expenses. These contributions significantly enhance the effectiveness of our Councils’ processes and facilitate Grains Australia’s effective engagement with industry and ultimately can be used as leverage to access external funding opportunities where appropriate.



BOARD



Terry Enright
Chair

Honorary Doctor of Science in Agriculture (University of Western Australia), Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors

Terry Enright is a former grain and livestock producer from the southern region of Western Australia. He has played a leading role in the direction and management of agricultural research, including as Chair of the Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC), the Australian Livestock Export Corporation and the Australian Export Grains Innovation Centre (AEGIC).



Catherine Cooper
Director

Bachelor of Laws (University of Adelaide), Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors

Catherine Cooper is an experienced Non-Executive Director with a portfolio of approximately 50 Board positions over 20 years. Her positions have included Director/Chair of public boards, Not-for-Profits (NFPs), industry bodies, Rural Research and Development Corporations (RDCs) and regulators.



Rebecca Reardon
Director

Bachelor of Agricultural Economics (Hons) (University of Sydney), Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors

Rebecca Reardon operates a broadacre farming operation near Moree, NSW with her husband. She has also worked professionally in the grains industry for more than 20 years. She is on the board of NSW Farmers Association (Vice President), NSW Farmers (Industrial) Association and Queensland Sugar. Rebecca has previously served on the boards of Grain Trade Australia (GTA) and North West NSW Local Land Services (LLS).



Stuart Richardson
Director

Bachelor of Agricultural Science (University of Melbourne), Graduate Diploma Applied Finance and Investment (Financial Services Institute of Australasia), Executive MBA (Melbourne Business School)

Stuart Richardson has more than 30 years of experience in the grains industry. He is a former Director of Grain Trade Australia (GTA) and Head of Trading at AWB. Stuart is one of the leading physical grain brokers in Australia and is affiliated with the McDonald Pelz Global Commodities group globally.



Andrew Young
Director

Bachelor of Journalism (Curtin University), Advanced Management Programme (INSEAD), Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors

Andrew Young has more than 25 years of agribusiness experience and is involved in several large agribusinesses in both Executive and Non-Executive roles. He is currently a non-executive Chair of grain export business Plum Grove and is the Chair of Westpork Pty Ltd, Western Australia's largest pork producer and its joint venture processing and food service company Dardanup Butchering Company.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Grains Australia is supported by an Advisory Committee which consists of a nominated representative from each of the following grains industry organisations:





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