



Media Release: GW3 announces CEO

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The Greater Whitsunday Alliance (GW3) has appointed Garry Scanlan as its Chief Executive Officer this week.

GW3 Chair Elect John Glanville said Mr Scanlan brings a wealth of leadership and economic development experience to the new role.

“Starting on January 16 next year, Garry will be an excellent addition to the ranks of industry and business in the Greater Whitsunday region.

“GW3 is delighted to have a CEO of Garry’s calibre, with more than 35 years’ experience in the Australian maritime, port and resources industry, 25 of those years in leadership roles.

“Mr Scanlan helped drive Queensland’s newest export trade as part of the leadership team for the Santos Gladstone Liquefied Natural Gas project (GLNG), served as CEO of the Gladstone Economic and Industry Development Board, and was part of the Management Group of the Darwin Port Corporation.

“The first year of GW3 will be critical in establishing projects and priorities that will benefit the region. Garry and I look forward to working with stakeholders to make GW3 a success.

“GW3 will now move forward to develop a strategic plan involving the Board and industry pillar representatives,” said Mr Glanville.

Whitsunday Regional Organisation of Council (ROC) Chair and Isaac Regional Council Mayor Anne Baker welcomed the appointment.

“My Greater Whitsunday Mayor colleagues and I are pleased to have Garry on board,” she said.

“It’s exciting to see GW3 taking shape with key roles being appointed to fulfill GW3’s charter.

“We are looking forward to GW3 promoting development and becoming the lead agency for investors into the region.”

Whitsunday Regional Council Mayor Andrew Willcox said the appointment of GW3 Chair and CEO is a defining moment for the region.



“The future is ours to shape and the possibilities are endless,” he said.

“With the help of stakeholders from across the region, we can position ourselves for a prosperous future.”

Mackay Mayor Greg Williamson said GW3 will work to benefit all.

“Although it will be based in Mackay, the new entity’s charter is to work for the Greater Whitsunday region,” he said.

“In doing so it will gain more leverage when dealing with current and new businesses.”

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Image 1: Whitsunday Mayor Andrew Willcox, Whitsunday Regional Organisation of Council (ROC) Chair and Isaac Mayor Anne Baker, GW3 Chair Elect John Glanville and Mackay Mayor Greg Williamson have welcomed Garry Scanlan as GW3 Chief Executive Officer.

Image 2: Experienced executive to take GW3 helm: The Greater Whitsunday Alliance (GW3) has appointed Garry Scanlan as its Chief Executive Officer this week