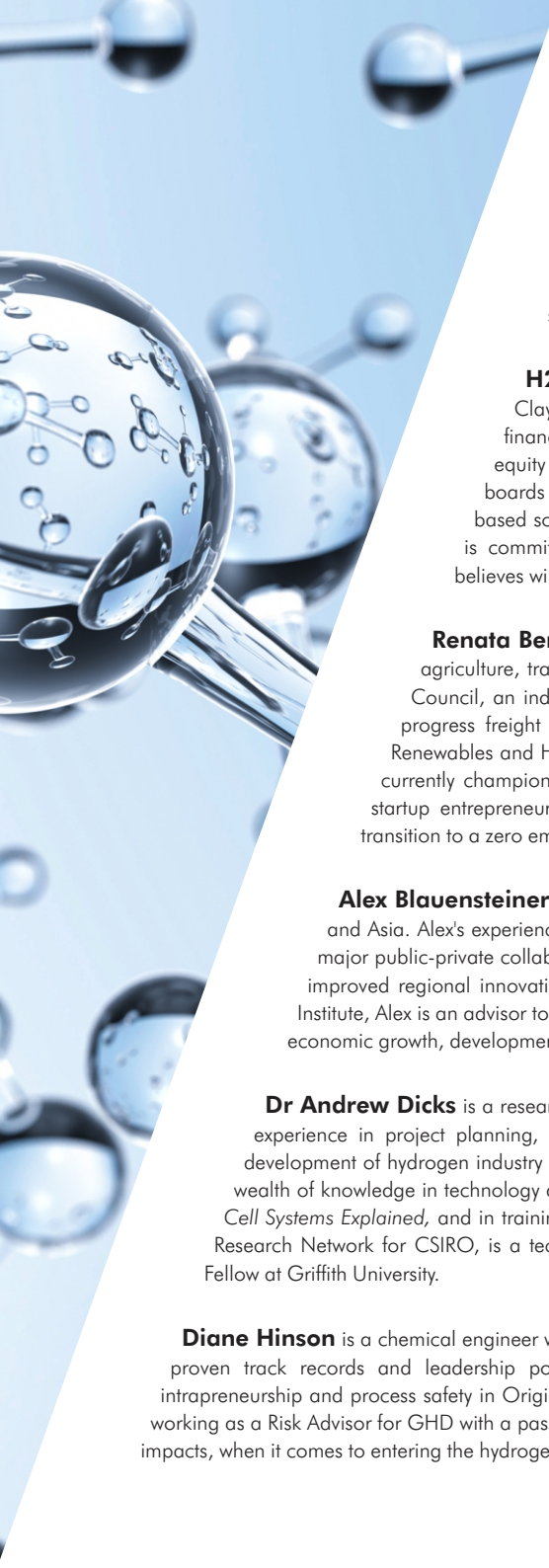




Queensland  
Hydrogen  
Industry Cluster



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



**H2Q Chair Aurelia Noran** is an experienced company director with a wealth of knowledge of governance, capital projects and operations for utilities, infrastructure and government organisations. With over 25 years of practical experience as a leader in professional project development and engineering, Aurelia has been at the forefront of many energy, resources and infrastructure projects aimed at renewables and sustainability. Aurelia also has a passion for the environment and nature, and has over 10 years of experience in environmental offsets for projects. As one of the founding members and the inaugural Chair of H2Q, Aurelia is championing hydrogen solutions for the decarbonisation of our economy.

**H2Q Treasurer Trevor Holmes** is a specialist in disruption strategy, having studied under Professor Clayton Christensen's Disruption Theory Program through Harvard Business School. He holds economic and finance qualifications and for the past 20 years has worked in management consulting followed by private equity across many industry sectors, developing an extensive global network. He sits on several company boards and is the Managing Director of Advivo Innovation & Commercialisation, and CEO of a Melbourne-based software development company. Trevor is excited about the disruptive nature of the hydrogen industry. He is committed to nurturing Australian-based commercial applications in this evolving market which he firmly believes will be an essential part of the global clean energy solution.

**Renata Berglas** is a skilled policy analyst with wide experience across multiple sectors, including small business, agriculture, transport, government and not-for-profit. She is currently CEO of the Queensland Transport and Logistics Council, an independent policy think tank that provides the freight industry with an opportunity to develop ideas and progress freight issues. She also holds a position on the Hydrogen Taskforce which reports to Minister for Energy, Renewables and Hydrogen Mick de Brenni. Renata brings her skill in collaborative policy development to her roles and is currently championing the development of a sustainable hydrogen industry for freight in Queensland, and working with startup entrepreneurs, manufacturers, researchers and industry players to identify a pathway for the transport sector to transition to a zero emissions future.

**Alex Blauensteiner** has held senior executive roles in government, industry and research sectors in Australia, USA, Europe and Asia. Alex's experience includes leading the successful entry of technology businesses into international markets, establishing major public-private collaborations, driving growth of emerging knowledge-based industries and implementing initiatives that have improved regional innovation ecosystem performance. In addition to his role at the University of Queensland's Global Change Institute, Alex is an advisor to a range of private and not-for-profit organisations focussed on hydrogen industry development, regional economic growth, development of knowledge industry precincts and scaling startup businesses.

**Dr Andrew Dicks** is a research leader in industry and universities in the UK, USA, Canada and Australia, with extensive consultancy experience in project planning, integrated energy systems design, development and analysis. He has played an active role in the development of hydrogen industry in Australia starting in 2008, when he chaired the World Hydrogen Energy Conference in Brisbane. His wealth of knowledge in technology and the international hydrogen industry is exemplified as the lead author of the acclaimed textbook *Fuel Cell Systems Explained*, and in training workshops that he has run over the past three years. He currently manages the Australian Hydrogen Research Network for CSIRO, is a technical consultant for companies new to the hydrogen business, and is an Adjunct Principal Research Fellow at Griffith University.

**Diane Hinson** is a chemical engineer with 20 years' experience in oil and gas, chemical, petrochemical and alternative energy sectors. She has proven track records and leadership positions in project delivery, integrated operations, production optimisation, business improvement, intrapreneurship and process safety in Origin Energy and the Australia Pacific LNG mega project. Diane founded H2Q in March 2020 and is now working as a Risk Advisor for GHD with a passion for helping clients navigate through the enterprise, supply chain and technological risks and change impacts, when it comes to entering the hydrogen market or adopting hydrogen end user technology.

**Andy Marsland** is one of the leading recruitment managers in Australia for energy, and has a wealth of experience spanning over 18 years in Australia and the UK. He has been head of Stellar's energy business since 2010 and has been working within the emerging hydrogen energy sector for the past two years. He has partnered with startups, small and medium-sized enterprises and global energy companies to help them reach their team expansion and diversity goals. His personal mission is to champion positive engagement and advancement in the energy sector. One such achievement has been securing and delivering an exclusive partnership agreement with a world-leading energy organisation, consulting on their growth strategy, and ultimately placing over 150 people to date. He holds a BA in Management from the University of Nottingham.

**Chris Mills** is the Founder and Managing Director of Strategenics, a leading digital strategy and product development company focused on data analytics, data science, software development, machine learning and artificial intelligence. For over 11 years Strategenics have supported corporate customers in the energy, mining, manufacturing, water and waste industries. Chris leads the Strategy, Customer Growth and Commercialisation practice of Strategenics, where he guides his clients on how to respond to changing markets and economic conditions. With significant experience in economic modelling, business case development and economic development, Chris has a passion for creating new high productivity industries and jobs. He firmly believes a sustainable, renewable energy supply chain and export industry is a pathway to economic growth for Queensland and Australia.

**Andrew Scott** is the Principal Innovator at Symbiotic Innovations. He studied biotechnology and computer science at the University of Queensland, and has had a long history in technology innovation, with over 30 years of experience in the resource industry with Placer Dome and Barrick Gold. Andrew is part of the founding team for the Global Mining Guidelines collaboration group. He is also Executive Chair for Queensland Robotics, a cluster where industry, researchers, government, startups, entrepreneurs and venture capitalists are working together to grow the Australian robotics industry through collaboration, trust and innovation. The cluster is also a member of Robotics Australia, which is growing the robotics industry globally. Andrew is interested in deep symbiotic collaboration to stimulate, promote and realise positive outcomes for humanity and the planet Earth.

**Tracy Scott-Rimington** is an industry growth strategist and expert in cluster development, regional innovation and global competitiveness. An experienced economic development professional, she has developed and delivered economic development strategies at both state and regional levels. Her specialisation is the facilitation and formation of innovation clusters for regional competitiveness, and her particular interest lies in the internationalisation of Australian regions. In 2015 Tracy joined the Board of Directors of the TCI Network, the international organisation for clusters, innovation and competitiveness based in Barcelona, and she is also the founding Chair of TCI's Oceania chapter. She works as Regional Development & International Engagement Coordinator with the Regional Development Australia (RDA) Brisbane office, supporting growth across Queensland's regions.

**Mike Straughton** is a system thinker who has developed a business acting as translator between technical and commercial dialogues, working with project developers and investors to align techno-economic factors that turn good ideas into successful projects. He held a project steering committee role on a proposed hydrogen export project with an oil and gas major, and Southeast Asian investors and customers. This experience gave Mike key insights into the technical and economic considerations that impact the feasibility of projects of this nature. Mike has also contributed to hydrogen policy engagements in Australia and New Zealand. Bringing ideas that cross typical techno-economic silos, Mike challenges the status quo and delivers project outcomes that align the physical form of the infrastructure to the financial model that underpins the investment.

**H2Q CEO Susan Mercer** is a specialist in strategic planning and marketing, with extensive experience leading teams at senior management level. With a career spanning over 20 years in the property and construction industry, together with a keen interest in renewable energy, Susan is excited to manage H2Q through its championing of the acceleration of hydrogen adoption throughout Queensland. She will utilise her experience with business development and marketing to ensure H2Q proactively engages with both public and private sector stakeholders to spearhead the development of an integrated hydrogen ecosystem.



## ABOUT H2Q

We connect, promote and support the growing number of hydrogen adoption and industry development activities across government, industry and academia, and are actively supporting development of an integrated hydrogen ecosystem across Queensland and Australia.

H2Q is grateful for the support it receives from our industry participants and Regional Development Australia (RDA) Brisbane.

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