

AELERT National Council Member EOI

Northern Territory, Tasmania, Western Australia & Local Government

You have the exciting opportunity to join AELERT's National Council as the new representative in one of four vacant positions including Tasmania, Western Australia, the Northern Territory, and local government representatives.

AELERT is looking for four suitably qualified and experienced individuals, working both in and outside front-line government regulatory agencies, to be a part of the AELERT National Council.

Expressions of Interest are open to regulatory practitioners who possess the skills, capabilities, interest, commitment, and relevant experience to join the National Council as its representative. Current vacancies open for an expression of interest include:

- Northern Territory representative
- Tasmania representative
- Western Australia representative
- Local Government representative (any jurisdiction in Australia/New Zealand)

The term of these positions is three years.

In appointing new members to the National Council, AELERT seeks to ensure that the rich diversity of its members and broader regulatory profession are well represented and championed.

The AELERT National Council currently includes members from the Australian Commonwealth, New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria, Australian Capital Territory, and New Zealand. AELERT is committed to ensuring that its National Council is comprised of members who represent local, state and territory, and national governments across all jurisdictions it represents.

AELERT has over 95 member agencies and affiliates across Australia, New Zealand and internationally from a broad range of regulatory disciplines both environmental and non-environmental representing the whole regulatory system. This is an opportunity to collaboratively lead and drive the strategic direction of AELERT to maximise the network's value to member officers, member agencies and partners.

About AELERT

The Australasian Environmental Law Enforcement and Regulators neTwork (AELERT) is an internationally recognised and respected professional network uniquely run by regulators for regulators across Australasia. AELERT was initiated by the Commonwealth in 2003, and its membership spans all levels of government across Australia, New Zealand, the Pacific Islands and beyond. AELERT is a regulatory stewardship platform that caters for all its members across the entire regulatory system.

AELERT fosters world-class regulation by supporting and growing regulatory agencies and their practitioners. Collaboration, innovation and growing our collective capability are the objectives that underly our mission. AELERT is a practical network that delivers innovative agency & practitioner products, functionally organised Communities of Practice, working groups serving members across three clusters including operations, regulation & engagement and capability building functions; events, webinars and workshops, and a biennial conference; plus 'ready to use' regulatory resources for members to deploy.

AELERT has built and now actively works in partnership with over 16 domestic and international law and regulatory networks spanning Australasia, the Pacific, North America, Central & South America, Europe, East Africa and Asia.

About the opportunity

The AELERT National Council membership consists of a chairperson, and up to eleven other members including a Deputy Chairperson and the Chief Executive Officer.

AELERT National Council members represent their jurisdiction, level of government and regulatory discipline on the Council. They are network leaders in their jurisdiction providing strategic direction and support to the AELERT Leadership Team and represent AELERT at network events in Australia and New Zealand.

As a member of the National Council, your primary functions are:

- Setting the strategic direction for AELERT and provide strategic advice to the AELERT CEO and leadership team,
- Overseeing AELERT's financial affairs including approving the annual budget, assessing AELERT's income streams, and regularly evaluating AELERT's financial sustainability,
- Monitoring the operations and performance of AELERT against its strategic purpose, objectives and priorities,
- Driving network performance to deliver member value and benefit,
- Ensuring the risks faced by AELERT are identified and managed,
- Represent AELERT at network events such as webinars and state/territory events that are in your jurisdiction, interest and/or regulatory discipline,
- Provide strategic leadership presence in their jurisdiction, level of government and/or regulatory discipline, promoting and demonstrating the use of AELERT products, programs, groups, events and resources that will build our collective capability.

National Council meetings are held on a quarterly basis.

The path ahead for AELERT

2025 will be an exciting year for AELERT members and National Council leaders. This year, AELERT will continue to build and work with our domestic and international partners including work that follow on from the 2024 Global Summit on Indigenous voice in law and regulation, restorative justice, climate change, organisational maturity, building people capability and use of AI and technology in regulatory practice.

Another point of focus will be delivering work programs that provide practical products for member agencies and practitioners. This includes enhancing the Regulatory Officer Capability Framework and Self-Assessment Tool (ROCSAT), creating guides for setting outcomes performance reporting for agencies, building a legal repository for penalties across Australia and New Zealand supporting emergency regulatory respondents when dealing with Lithium ion fire incidents and creating a practical Regulatory Capture Toolkit for leaders and staff.

AELERT operates 20 Communities of Practice across a broad range of regulatory functions and will continue to energise these network groups to maximise value for the 1400+ group members, and their agencies.

Finally, 2025 will provide members multiple opportunities to collaborate across the field through state regulators events and AELERT's three main cluster groups; capability building, operations, and regulation & engagement. Now is an exciting time to join AELERT's governance team and play a part in leading this movement!

How to apply

If this sounds like the opportunity for you, please submit a cover letter (no more than 1-page) outlining why you are interested in a position on the AELERT National Council and what skills, capabilities, knowledge and experience you would bring to the operation of the Council, along with a current copy of your CV including two relevant professional referees.

Please submit to aelert@dcceew.gov.au by COB Monday 28 April 2025.

Applications will be assessed with a view to appointing the new member(s) by the end of May.

For further information or to discuss this opportunity, please contact the AELERT Chief Executive Officer, Gregory Abood via email: Gregory.Abood@dcceew.gov.au or phone: +61 418 531 096.