



## AUSTRALIAN HOTELS ASSOCIATION

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### MEDIA RELEASE

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# AHA appoints new Chief Executive Officer

The Australian Hotels Association (AHA) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Stephen Ferguson as its incoming Chief Executive Officer, effective from February 2014.

Stephen will succeed Des Crowe who has served in the role since 2010.

Stephen is an experienced licensed industry leader whose most recent appointment has been that of Chief Executive Officer of the Brisbane Racing Club. He has a strong background in issues management, stakeholder engagement, and corporate governance and strategy; and is known within the racing industry for his direct and highly collaborative leadership style.

Stephen holds a Master of Business Administration, a Bachelor of Social Science, and is a qualified company director. Prior to his role at Brisbane Racing Club (formerly Queensland Turf Club Inc.), Stephen was General Manager Corporate Affairs for Racing NSW.

AHA National President Peter Burnett and the National Executive of the AHA are delighted to welcome Stephen to this position, where he will have a central leadership role in continuing to advance the interests of the Australian hotel and tourism sectors.

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