

AFAANZ Board Election

Voting is now open for the 2023-2025 AFAANZ Board, **which closes 30th April at 5.00pm AEST**. There are eight nominations for five vacant positions on the Board:

- **David Bond**
- **Banita Bissoondoyal-Bheenick**
- **Lily Chen**
- **Robert Czerkowski**
- **Craig Deegan**
- **Lisa McManus**
- **Michaela Rankin**
- **Yaowen Shan**

The biographies of the nominees can be found below.

To vote, please go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z2SBKSZ>

It is necessary that you are a current 2023 AFAANZ Member and you will be asked to enter your 5-digit membership number (note that membership numbers beginning with AF no longer exist). If you do not know your number or would like to join/renew your membership, please either log into your [AFAANZ account](#) or email info@afaanz.org. All votes are checked for a valid AFAANZ number and that membership is current for 2023.



David Bond

University of Technology Sydney

David Bond is a Senior Lecturer and Director, Master of Business Analytics at the University of Technology Sydney. He has published in journals including *The British Accounting Review*, *Journal of Accounting and Public Policy* and *Accounting & Finance*. David also serves on the editorial boards of *Accounting & Finance* and *Accounting Education*. He has an active interest in the role of emerging technology and social media in the learning environment. Through his work in this area, David has received a number of teaching awards, including an Australian Government Office for Learning & Teaching Citation.

He has previously held the position of Academic Fellow at the International Financial Reporting Standards Foundation in London, as well as being a visiting academic at the London School of Economics. He is currently on a number of boards including Women Sport Australia and the Sydney Rugby Union, and spent four years on the board of the Sport Management Association of Australia and New Zealand. He is the Chair of Academic Board for the Tax Institute Higher Education and also represents AFAANZ as the Vice President At-Large on the IAAER.

David is an active member of AFAANZ, and is currently serving on the AFAANZ Board as the Conference Co-Chair. During his time on the AFAANZ Board, he has been responsible for creating and implementing the Association's digital strategy, overseeing the launch of the new website and conference app, as well as re-invigorating the social media channels. This has led to an increased level of awareness of the work of AFAANZ members, as well as an improved digital experience. He has also been involved in running the AFAANZ Education Forum, the AFAANZ Insight Series as well as working with CAANZ and CPA Australia to host the inaugural Indigenous Accounting Forum. By being re-elected to the Board, David would use this opportunity to continue developing these initiatives while promoting the work of the Association and its members.

Banita Bissoondoyal-Bheenick

RMIT University



I am currently the Director of Research Services and Program and Services in the College of Business and Law at RMIT University. Prior to this I was the Head of Department, Finance in the School of Economics, Finance and Marketing since joining RMIT University in 2009 from Monash University(2008-2019). Since graduating from RMIT with a PhD in Economics and Finance in 2004, I have become a world recognised researcher and Professor in the field of financial markets, investment and volatility. My standing is evidenced by quality publications, grant successes, journal editorial board appointments, board presentations and extensive industry engagement. As an experienced educator, I have demonstrated my leadership in teaching through my personal teaching activities, through curriculum design and development of quality programs and through leading programs to successful accreditation by industry bodies.

My vision is to build on my experience and relationships to strengthen the Department/School I lead and to enhance the research culture, improve student learning experiences and sustain a high level of engagement. I have developed a portfolio of high-quality activities, building on the research capabilities, leveraging and integrating discovery, learning and engagement to develop coherent programs and improve on the organisation culture. To this end, I uphold the values of collegiality, inclusion, passion, accountability, and respect in the way I lead and grow my team. With a democratic leadership style, I work collaboratively to create a dynamic environment, where staff work as a team to achieve long term sustainable goals. I foster a culture of transparency and inclusiveness by creating clear processes and having a clear flow of communication which results in high levels of engagement from staff at all levels from early career to senior academics and professional staff. Some of my key recognised strengths are that I enjoy a challenge; am forward thinking and sets own goals. Another key aspect of my work recognised at RMIT through at the College of Business and Law award at RMIT in 2020 is my humanistic-encouraging leadership style, where I am willing to take time with people and encourage and mentor others and work closely with my team and known to be a thoughtful and good listener.

I am currently the Associate Editor of A/Q1 finance Journal (International Review of Financial Analysis); Global Finance Journal and the subject editor of another A/Q1 Journal (Journal of International Financial Markets, Institutions and Money). I equally chair the gender and equity committee research committee of the College as well I am on the Investment committee and led several Finance symposiums at RMIT university. I have also been involved in conference organisation chaired PHD symposium including Financial Market and Corporate Governance 2021. I believe I am well placed to contribute to AFAANZ as a finance scholar and leader My curriculum vitae and responses to the key selection criteria are attached for your consideration.



Lily Chen

University of Auckland

Lily Chen is a senior lecturer in Accounting at the University of Auckland Business School. Her research interests are in the areas of financial reporting and disclosure, financial analysts, corporate governance, corporate social responsibility, integrated reporting, and machine learning. Lily's research has been published in international journals such as *Accounting, Organizations and Society*, *Accounting and Finance*, *Journal of Banking & Finance*, *Journal of Business Ethics*, and *Journal of Business Finance and Accounting*. Her work has been widely cited by professional and regulatory bodies.

Lily teaches undergraduate and postgraduate students and supervises doctoral students in financial accounting and has held different service portfolios for postgraduate and doctoral programmes. She has received the Business School Research Excellence Award, the Business School Teaching Excellence Award, and the Department Outstanding Contribution Award.

Lily is a longstanding AFAANZ member, frequently presenting, discussing, and reviewing papers for the AFAANZ annual conferences over the years. She has been awarded the 2021 Peter Brownell Manuscript Award for her article published in *Accounting and Finance* and multiple best paper awards at the AFAANZ conferences. She serves as an editor for *Pacific Accounting Review* and an editorial board member for *Accounting and Finance* and *Meditari Accountancy Research*. She has also been serving on the technical committee of the AFAANZ conference since 2019. Lily is keen to continue providing services to the AFAANZ and believes she possesses the ability to make valuable contributions to the AFAANZ board.

Robert Czernkowski

University of Technology Sydney



I've been a Senior Lecturer at the University of Technology Sydney (UTS) since 2009. Prior to joining UTS in 2009, I held appointments at the University of Tasmania, UNSW and University of Sydney. My research interests can broadly be categorised as an interest in information asymmetry and I have published in various journals including *Accounting & Finance*, *Journal of Business Finance & Accounting*, and the *British Accounting Review*.

Although I have strong views about the standard of modern business education, my experience as director in a number of not-for-profits has led me to understand that the key role of a board member is to listen and be responsive to members. Accordingly, I seek election to the Board because I can represent you not only based on my years of experience as an accounting academic, but more importantly through listening to your concerns and input.

I am particularly committed to supporting the continued vibrancy and growth of the AFAANZ SIG network, as that represents an important platform through which we build professional friendships and understand each others' research and teaching activities.



Craig Deegan

University of Tasmania

I am Professor of Accounting at the University of Tasmania, having formerly been Professor of Accounting at RMIT for 18 years. Across my career I have been fortunate enough to win various prestigious research and teaching awards and to be highly cited in the area of social and environmental accountability. I have a passion for writing material that engages and encourages critical thinking, and many accounting students within Australia and New Zealand (and many internationally) would have used at least one of my three accounting textbooks, all of which encourage critical thinking, and which arguably have influenced/shaped accounting education.

Some of my current roles include being a member of the United Nations sponsored organisation, Education for Sustainability (Efs), a member of the University of Tasmania Sustainability Committee, and a member of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) Academic Advisory Panel. I also recently developed a 4-unit *Graduate Certificate in Sustainable Business* which was launched at UTAS in 2023.

I have a long history with AFAANZ having presented papers at over 20 AFAANZ Conferences as well as being the inaugural recipient of the *Peter Brownell Manuscript Award* presented annually by AFAANZ. I have been a 'member of Faculty' at several AFAANZ Doctoral Colloquiums and have presented at SIG Forums.

I believe in making a difference to our community. I have a passion for embedding sustainability-related issues across accounting programs and I would take this passion, and many related suggestions, to AFAANZ. I also have a passion and many ideas for mentoring early career researchers, in particular, encouraging them to undertake innovative research that addresses issues that ultimately create long term benefits for society.

Lisa McManus

Queensland University of Technology



Professor Lisa McManus is the Head of School (Accountancy), at Queensland University of Technology (QUT). Prior to her current role at QUT, Lisa has held a variety of appointments as Head of School, Dean of Business School, Faculty Associate Dean of Research and Deputy Director of a successful research institute, across a number of small regional and large city-based Australian universities. Her current and past research interests are focused on the discipline areas of management accounting, accounting education, work-integrated-learning, public sector accounting and business ethics. For the last three years Lisa has served on the Australian Research Council's College of Experts assessing Future Fellowships, Discovery and DECRA grant applications.

"I have been very fortunate in my academic career to have been provided me with opportunities to learn and grow as a researcher and an educator. I regard providing a supportive environment for emerging and early career academics central to the continuation and strength of the academy. In the past year or so as a member of the AFAANZ board I have tried to contribute to the ongoing work of AFAANZ is growing, supporting and developing the accounting academy, improve governance processes and policies of the board, as well as provide a voice for accounting academics from all universities irrespective of size or location."



Michaela Rankin

Monash University

Professor Michaela Rankin is Professor of Accounting and Deputy Dean (International & Accreditation) at Monash Business School. In this role she is responsible for the strategic international engagement of the School; and has led the School to successful reaccreditation by AACSB, EQUIS and AMBA.

Joining Monash in 2007, Michaela is a highly regarded educator, with her passion and commitment to the student learning experience being formally recognised through numerous awards. Her research focuses on corporate governance, financial reporting, executive compensation and sustainability, and integrated reporting, with her work being published widely across a range of international journals. Michaela is a member of the editorial boards of *Accounting, Auditing and Accountability Journal*, and *Meditari Accountancy Research*. She contributes to the accounting community, most recently as a member of CPA Australia's Environment, Society and Governance Centre of Excellence.

Michaela joined the AFAANZ Board in 2021 and, together with Professor Marvin Wee has been responsible for organizing the highly successful Doctoral Symposium. She also served as a member of the AFAANZ Technical Committee as Chair of the governance stream from 2012-2015. She is passionate about the support and development of early career academics and particularly women. Never before have we seen such a need to connect with and support our emerging academics. If elected for a second term on the Board Michaela would like to particularly focus efforts on expanding the already successful women's mentoring program to all interested early career academics, and to expand activities across the year.

Yaowen Shan

University of Technology Sydney



Yaowen Shan is a Professor in the Department of Accounting at the University of Technology Sydney. His research examines the role of accounting and non-accounting information in capital markets, corporate governance, and executive remuneration design. His work has been published at *The Accounting Review*, *Review of Accounting Studies*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *Journal of Corporate Finance*, *Abacus*, *Accounting and Finance*, *Pacific-Basin Finance Journal* and *Australian Journal of Management*. He also serves as the joint editor-in-chief of *Australian Accounting Review*, and an Associate Editor of *Accounting and Finance* and *Australian Journal of Management*.

Yaowen's research has drawn attention from standard setters such as AASB and IASB, as well as various financial media outlets. He has secured substantial research grants exceeding one million dollars, comprising three ARC Discovery Grants and two CIFR research grants. He has also won two best paper awards at leading international accounting conferences.

Yaowen has served as an AFAANZ Board Member since 2019. In this capacity, he has co-chaired the 2020 and 2021 AFAANZ conferences and is currently serving as the treasurer on the AFAANZ Board. By being re-elected to the Board, Yaowen would use this opportunity to further reinforce the commitment of AFAANZ to enhancing the engagement and collaboration between regulators and the academic community and supporting the development of early career researchers. He is also keen to facilitate and promote Australasia based research that contributes to significant academic and regulatory debates within the broader business community.