



AfPA announces new Chair to lead organisation into 2022 and beyond

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The Australian Flexible Pavement Association (AfPA) has announced the appointment of industry leaders Dante Cremasco as AfPA's new Chair and he is joined by Rob McGuire as Deputy Chair – both have held board positions for several years. Meanwhile, both Thierry Madelon and Richard Pearson have been appointed as new Board Directors replacing Kevin McCullough and Matt MacMahon.

Exiting Chair and Deputy, Matt MacMahon and Kevin McCullough have left the organisation in a strong position, with Mr Cremasco and his fellow Board Members looking forward to building on those foundations.

The appointments will support AfPA's vision to see the dynamic, multibillion dollar flexible pavements industry deliver safe and sustainable outcomes which benefit communities across Australia.

Carlos Rial, CEO of AfPA said:

"The entire AfPA team is extremely pleased to announce these four senior appointments, and we wish Matt and Kevin all the best and thank them for their excellent work with the organisation. The new Chair and Deputy Chair, offer our association access to a wealth of knowledge and experience which will help us reach our goal of a safer, better-connected Australia.

"I am excited to work with such a strong board and know AfPA's position as the industry's peak body is secure for years to come.

"I have no doubt that this team will help to ensure safer, better-working roads and will improve outcomes and conditions for our members".

Dante Cremasco, Chair: A longtime member of AfPA's Board, Dante has held the full-time position of Head of Road Services at Downer since 2014. Dante brings over two decades of experience in all aspects of road servicing and maintenance to the position, along with a firm dedication to lead AfPA into the future, achieving its goals of safety, sustainability, and servicing.

Rob McGuire, Deputy Chair: Bringing experience as executive General Manager for Boral Australia in a National role, Rob brings extensive expertise in Asphalt and road maintenance outcomes. Rob a life member of the association and also a former Board Chair is a passionate advocate for continuous improvement of health and safety conditions on Australian roads, and possesses over two decades of applied experience.

Thierry Madelon and Richard Pearson, new Board members: Thierry currently holds the position of CEO of COLAS Australia Group and possesses over 30 years of industry experience. Richard held the role of Chairman of AfPA QLD branch between 2017-2019 and is currently the General Manager of Infrastructure Services at Fulton Hogan. Both Thierry and Richard bring formidable knowledge and proven passion to the AfPA board.