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Albury Wodonga locals awarded scholarships to AICD's Company Directors Course

The Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) is pleased to announce that Ben McGowan and Jillian Roscoe have been awarded scholarships to attend its flagship course, the Company Directors Course to be held in Albury Wodonga commencing on March 18.

McGowan is an executive director of Indigo Power Ltd, a community-owned business which was established to facilitate the uptake of renewable energy in north-eastern Victoria and southern NSW. A long-term advocate of community energy, McGowan has been involved in a number of renewable energy projects including in Yackandandah and Wodonga. Resident in the Indigo Valley, McGowan is a scientist who is currently completing his PhD in environmental sociology.

“Successful regional business is important for the economic development of regional areas, so it's great to see that the course is being held locally, in Albury-Wodonga. I'm looking forward to updating my skills and meeting other local business leaders,” said McGowan.

The second awardee, Jillian Roscoe, who was born in Myrtleford and raised on a farm in Whorouly, has spent more than ten years in the timber industry including as a director of Timber Training Creswick. Currently Manager Operations for the Victorian Association of Forest Industries, Roscoe has been instrumental in initiatives such as establishing the Women in Forests and Timber Network. Her focus is on fostering long-term relationships with a diverse range of stakeholders to influence and further the sustainable forestry agenda.

“I am committed to developing my strategic leadership skills and driving business excellence. This scholarship will enable me to learn more about the board room environment and to network with other executives and directors,” said Roscoe.

The AICD's Company Directors Course in Albury Wodonga is aimed at executive and non-executive directors, CEOs and senior executives from businesses, not-for-profit organisations and government. Participants will gain an understanding of their duties and responsibilities as directors and improve their knowledge of sound governance practices and risk management.

“We are committed to providing governance education and support to our regional members,” said AICD Victoria Acting State Manager, Michael Whitty. “We are very pleased to provide these scholarships to enhance and future-proof the knowledge of local directors.”

For more information on the course: <https://aicd.companydirectors.com.au/education/course-calendar/vic/ev142538-company-directors-course>

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