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Newsletter #93

Economic Society of Australia,
New South Wales Branch,
July 2022

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Dear friend,

Welcome to the ESA NSW Branch newsletter for July 2022.

From our President

The NSW ESA has started 2022 with a roar with so many great events on a wide range of important topics, from aged care reform to Modern Monetary Theory to China's economic pathway as a high income country. And there's lots more to come. It's been wonderful to be able to meet in person at these events once again, but we also know that hybrid events extend our reach and we are keen to offer these wherever feasible.

We are also continuing to plan a couple of regional events for the second half of this year in Wollongong and Newcastle.

July is an especially big month for the ESA in NSW and nationally. We have our annual **Australian Conference of Economists in Hobart** this year with the theme of "Economics in the New Normal" and there are some incredible speakers, including Google's Chief Economist, Hal Varian, and the brilliant Prof. Joseph Stiglitz. Plus so many amazing Aussie economists sharing their work.

Later in July we see the return of our **CBA Forum** which will be both in person and online. The speaker line up, again, is just brilliant. It's still not too late to register for this or for our **Emerging Economist Series** which kicks off with our first Eminent Speaker, former RBA Governor Glenn Stevens. With a review of the RBA taking place soon, this should be a fascinating start to this series.

And I'm very proud to see the Women in Economics Network featuring prominently in a range of events including the announcement of the winners in the *Credible Blog* Writing Competition. Details are following in this newsletter.

Continuing our Councillors in Profile series, this month we focus on Jess Mazrahi and Ben Wang.

I encourage you to get involved with all our fabulous events. And if you have ideas for future events, please send them through to president@esansw.org.au.

Happy New Financial Year!
Nicki Huttley
President

If you have any questions, suggestions and/or are interested in getting involved with the committee, please reach out to president@esansw.org.au

Councillor Profile

Jess Mizrahi, VP Business

My name is Jess, and I'm an economist by training, profession and passion. I've been on council for around 5 years, having first joined to lead the Young Economists Network. I am now Vice President, Business. To me, the ESA serves a critical role in bringing the profession together. Economists have such a wide variety of skills, backgrounds and ideas. Bringing this diversity together creates opportunities for meaningful discussions, as well as ways to challenge and extend our own thinking. I have always got so much out of the network that ESA provides, and it is my pleasure to give something back to others.

Studying economics was the foundation of my career. For over a decade I've been learning, teaching, applying and consulting on economics. Economics taught me a way of thinking which is core to the way I solve problems and communicate. They're skills I use not just at work, but in my everyday life.

Outside of ESA, I love spending time with my dog, cooking and reading. I also dance and play netball – both very poorly!

Ben Wang, Treasurer

How long have you been on the NSW ESA Council and what is your role?

I have been a council member since 2019, and more recently as the Treasurer.

Why is the ESA important to you?

ESA provides a platform where economists of different backgrounds and experience can exchange ideas. It provides a pathway for academic economists to engage with professional economists and contribute to the common good.

How has studying economics influenced your career?

Reflecting on my own economic education and also as an economic educator, economic studies not only provide a unique framework to understand societal challenges but also provide useful tools in addressing these challenges. This is especially important if the nature of the work/research is cross-disciplinary!

What's your favourite hobby (outside being involved in the ESA!)?

I always enjoyed learning and reading history books and photography.

News

ACE 2022



It is our pleasure to invite you to the Australian Conference of Economists (ACE) 2022 to be held from 10 to 13 July 2022 in Hobart, Tasmania as an in-person event.

Our theme, **Economics in the New Normal**, will seek to address the challenges that a post-pandemic world faces, and we look forward to receiving your submissions for presentation at the conference. Keynote speakers will be announced soon.

Please diarise July 2022 for a visit to Tasmania, to join with your peers for a memorable event after these last few years of face-to-face conference hiatus. We look forward to welcoming you to Hobart in July 2022.

Paul Blacklow,
Convener of ACE 2022, on behalf of the ACE 2022 Organising Committee

[VISIT THE ACE 2022 WEBSITE FOR THE MOST UP TO DATE INFORMATION](#)

WEN Credible Blog Series Writing Competition - Winners Announcement

Credible Economist Writing Competition

After announcing the *Credible Economist Blog Writing Competition* in late 2021, NSW WEN was very pleased this week to celebrate the competition and all the wonderful submissions received.

We were delighted to announce the top 3 finalists and 3 honourable mentions during our webinar on Tuesday 28 June, chosen among a range of competitive and compelling submissions. This webinar may be viewed [here](#).

Our top three Finalists:

1. Louisa Russell, with her piece *Why quotas for women in politics are a good idea according to economics*.
2. Rosie McCrossin, with her piece *Time, Blood and Money*
3. Katie McGregor, with her piece *Econobabble: The Enemy of Economics*

Our three Honourable Mentions:

Greta Gordon, with her piece *Prisoners of the Inflexible Labour Model*
Malithi Silva, with her piece *The economic role of unpaid care in Australia (why economists should value wellbeing instead of efficiency)*

Sabina Albrecht, with her piece *The economics of refugee resettlement*

Congratulations to all our finalists!

All these blogs will be published on WEN's social media and our [website](#), as well as other excellent submissions we received.

Louisa's winning article can be found on LinkedIn [here](#). Look out for the remaining articles over the coming weeks and months!

Economic Analysis and Policy (EAP) - Call for Editors

Economic Analysis and Policy (EAP) has improved its performance considerably since it was taken over by Elsevier back in 2014. The combination of an online-only publication strategy, together with the steady editorial guidance of the Managing Editor since 2008, has been successful in increasing the journal's outreach and placing EAP ready for its next step: an editorial team that will be diverse and specialised at the same time.

The Economic Society of Australia QLD aims in cementing EAP's reputation as an international journal where excellent economic policy research is published.

The call for expressions of interest is open until 1 August 2022: <https://www.journals.elsevier.com/economic-analysis-and-policy/news/eap-call-for-editor-in-chief-and-co-editors>.

Upcoming Events

Mixed Fortunes: The History of Tax Reform in Australia, Paul Tilley

Details

When: Tuesday 5 July 2022

Time: 1.00pm until 2.00pm AEST

Cost: members: free, non-members: \$5 ([join or renew](#))

Venue: Macquarie City Campus and Webinar via Zoom

Australia's history is sprinkled with tax reform attempts – some successful, some not. This seminar explores that history through three phases. First, the establishment of the Constitution at Federation in 1901 and the 1942 unification of income tax. Second, the seminal Asprey review in 1975 that set up the major tax reforms of 1985 and then 2000. Third, the mixed efforts at tax reform, at both the Commonwealth and state levels, this century.

The seminar will examine the roles of foundational reviews, that establish the case for reform, and determinative reviews, that implement reform. It will assess both the political economy issues of policy making and the quality of the tax reforms that have been achieved in Australia. What makes a reform exercise work (or not)? How do we assess the quality of Australia's tax reforms? What lessons are there for future tax reform exercises?

About the Speaker

Paul Tilley was an economic policy adviser to governments for 30 years, working mainly in Treasury but also PM&C, the Treasurer's office and the OECD. He has since published a book on the history of the Treasury, *Changing Fortunes: A History of the Australian Treasury*, is a Visiting Fellow at the ANU's Tax and Transfer Policy Institute and a Senior Fellow at the Melbourne Law School. He is currently writing a book on the history of tax reform in Australia.

This is a hybrid event which will be held both in person and online via Zoom.

2022 Australasia Meeting of the Econometric Society - ONLINE ONLY

The 2022 Australasia Meeting of the Econometric Society will be held online on July 6 – 8, 2022 and will be hosted by the School of Economics, The University of Queensland.

Important dates:

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| Submissions open: | Monday January 10, 2022 |
| Submissions close: | Friday March 11, 2022 |
| Decision notification: | Friday March 25, 2022 |
| Registration opens: | Friday March 25, 2022 |
| Deadline for presenters to register: | Friday April 29, 2022 |
| Preliminary program release: | Friday May 6, 2022 |

Registration is open until June 29 2022.

This is an external event. Please register here: <https://esam2022.org/registration/>.

Emerging Economist Series 2022

Consisting of four sit-down lunches, the Series will be held at the Reserve Bank of Australia. Attendance is by subscription to all four lunches and can be shared amongst your colleagues. Alternatively, you can purchase tickets for individual lunches, subject to availability. The program offers a fantastic professional development opportunity for economists.

The Series provides a unique opportunity to hear lessons and insights from the lived experience of senior figures in government, business and public debate. For economists, particularly those in the earlier stages of their career, it provides access to the views and experience of eminent speakers on the paths they have taken, the role they have played and the challenges Australia has navigated - and will face in the future.

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Cost Benefit Analysis Forum 2022

We are delighted to be holding the 2022 CBA Forum as a one-day in-person event in the Sydney CBD on Tuesday 19th July. This is an opportunity to meet, re-engage with and learn from colleagues, peers and industry experts, as well as enjoy serendipitous interactions with new faces in the coffee queue.

Experts in the theory, policy and application of CBA are featured as speakers and panellists in an exciting program covering topical issues on the role, application and future of CBA. This includes: new national and NSW CBA guidance; discount rate changes; the 2022 US Society of Benefit Cost conference; and practical CBA examples.

As public calls for accountability and a strong evidence base for decisions continues to climb, the event will be of interest to experienced practitioners, those new to developing CBAs and people who rely on CBAs for supporting decision-making. For people new to CBA, we will include a three hour "Introduction to CBA" preliminary session, based on NSW Treasury Guidelines, in the lead up to the forum. The date for this session is confirmed as Friday 15 July with an approximate time of 11am until 2pm, to be held via Zoom. Be sure to register your interest when booking if you would like be part of this separate session.

The forum is designed as an in-person event. On-line attendance will be available for Economic Society members who are unable to attend in-person or if in-person capacity is filled. Please note your preference when registering. The event will follow the venue's Covid Safe guidelines - participants need to be double vaccinated.

Details

Date: Tuesday 19 July

Time: All day event, starting at 8.45am

Venue Partner: Deloitte, Level 9, 225 George Street, Sydney

Cost: \$165 members / \$215 non-members ([join or renew](#)) [Contact Us](#) if you need help with your login

[View the Preliminary Program](#)

Speakers

This event is supported by experts in the field of CBA. You can read more about our speakers on our [dedicated web page](#) - bios will be added as they are received.

Breakout Sessions

Please ensure you select your preferred breakout session when registering. Important note - only one breakout stream will be live-streamed via Zoom (whichever receives the most registrations).

Registration

To register please book online below. If you are unable to attend in-person the Zoom link to join will be sent 24 hours prior to the event.

Current ESA financial members that belong to branches other than NSW will need to [contact us](#) to receive the Promo Code in order to register at the member rate.

Please also keep an eye out for webinar events from other ESA Branches. The [Central Council Upcoming Events](#) page has further information.

Partner Events

The 26th Australasian Teaching Economics Conference

This year the Australasian Teaching Economics Conference (ATEC22) will be hosted by the Australian National University from July 14-15 2022. Given the ups and downs we're still experiencing (and the resulting budget issues) the conference will again be held virtually over zoom, which also means a zero cost registration!

Our theme for the year will be Engaging a Diverse Student Body – where the diversity may come from cultural background; student preparation and understanding; gender; UG versus PG etc.

This is the first notice and call for papers for the event. Early details for the event are below:

Theme: Engaging a diverse student body

Date: 14-15 July 2022

Mode: Virtual

Abstracts (150-300 words): 10 June

Registration: by 17 June

Further updates on website, key speakers, registration platform will be coming shortly.

For more information please contact dana.hanna@anu.edu.au

Let us know if you have any economics events you'd like us to share.

Reading and Listening

A reminder - you can catch up on ESA Central Council's National Webinar Program [here](#) and NSW branch webinars [here](#).

Careers and Graduate Opportunities

Public Financial Management Adviser

Position: PFM Adviser

Duration: 12 months, plus up to 24 months

Partner Organisation: Treasury Department, Ministry of Finance, Government of Tuvalu

Aid Investment Plan or Partner Government's national/sectoral priority: Te Kete: Macroeconomic resilience increased through improvement in public financial management

Location: Funafuti, Tuvalu

Performance Management and Reporting Framework: Adviser Performance Assessment as per BPaC Deed of Standing Offer and relevant program reporting framework

About Australian Aid and Cardno

Australia's development program invests in an open, prosperous and resilient Indo-Pacific. Australia's efforts contribute to stability, restarting economies post-pandemic, and managing the effects of resurgent poverty and inequality.

Cardno is a global consulting organisation that manages projects for major donors, delivering aid work in various disciplines such as education, health, governance, resource and environment management and infrastructure. Our work expands across Europe, Latin and North America, Asia, the Pacific and Africa. With over 6,000 staff worldwide, our vision is to be a world leader in the provision of professional services to improve the physical and social environment.

About the BPaC Program

The Building Pacific Capacity Program (BPaC) is an Australian Government initiative funded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) and managed by Cardno Emerging Markets. It provides Pacific Island Countries with a suite of flexible, fit-for-purpose options that support broad governance and stability development outcomes.

About the Partner Organisation

For this advisory role BPaC is partnering with the Treasury Department, Ministry of Finance, Government of Tuvalu. The Ministry of Finance is charged with delivering the key economic development strategic priority under Tuvalu's national development plan, *Te Kete: National Strategy for Sustainable Development 2021 to 2030*. A key outcome will be to improve macroeconomic resilience, with the specific object to improve public financial management and efficiency across all Government ministries.

About the Role

The Public Financial Management (PFM) Adviser may commence remotely, until such time as deployment is possible. The role will then be based in Funafuti, Tuvalu at the offices of the Treasury Department, Ministry of Finance. The Adviser will provide hands-on training, mentoring and consult widely within Government.

This role reports directly to the Government Accountant and works closely with Treasury staff, Aid coordination and Budget Unit staff, and is accountable to the Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Finance. The Adviser will supplement the capacity of the Department.

The role of Public Financial Management Adviser is new and has not been filled by a technical adviser previously.

The Public Financial Management Adviser will provide support to the Government of Tuvalu to improve uptake of the Government's new Financial Management Information System (Technology One – TechOne) through capacity development, training, and mentoring. TechOne will enable the GoT to track expenditure and asset lifetime data through better receipt and expenditure recording, whole-of-life asset tracking, and procurement systems.

The Adviser will provide expertise in assisting the Government to build capacity in the efficient and effective management of public funds and financial reporting, including in the production of financial statements that comply with the International Public Sector Accounting standards and the Public Finance Act.

The Adviser will assist the Government of Tuvalu to develop and implement a range of add-on packages, including an HR module that will assist the Government of Tuvalu in tracking whole-of-government staffing needs, training assessments and needs, and general workforce planning.

Role responsibilities, deliverables and capacity development objectives:

Placement objective 1:

Support Treasury to implement reforms under the Public Financial Management Reform Roadmap 2020-2024

- Provide training to all staff on the use of applications for TechOne in: accounts payable; accounts receivable; accounts reconciliation; general ledger; fixed assets; and, GL reconciliation
- Provide training on the budget module for TechOne.
- Ensure all donor funds within the Tuvalu Development Fund (TDF) are processed through TechOne; produce reports
- Roll-out payment orders for all expenditures using TechOne
- Provide recommendations and provide support in the implementation of reforms to improve internal controls within Treasury
- Improve reconciliation processes on major receipts (fishing licences and taxes, including customs revenues)
- Establish interface between TechOne and external systems in customs (ASYCUDA), inland revenue (RMS), and fisheries (FMS)
- Migrate all information from Tuvalu Development Fund (TDF) and Special Infrastructure (SI) into the TechOne system.
- Create TechOne interface for Tuvalu Development Fund and Special Infrastructure.
- Prepare a timeline and provide inputs to establish a payroll module using TechOne and to be more flexible to changes to any new increases in salary structure

Intended results: increase capacity to enable MoF staff to:

- Produce publishable monthly financial reports
- Improve debt management through better reconciliation processes
- Manage fiscal risk
- Monitor and manage internal controls
- Improve tracking of major receipts (fishing licences, taxes and customs revenues)
- Improve bank reconciliation processes
- Achieve improved Public Expenditures and Financial Assessment (PEFA) scores
- Address key Whole of Government Audit findings
- Improve budget spending analysis and timely provision of financial reporting to support improved Cabinet decision making

Placement objective 2:

Provide assistance to Treasury Department to produce complete financial statements

- In conjunction with the Government Accountant:
- Ensure TechOne can produce the complete Financial Statements and comply with International Public Sector Accounting Standard (IPSAS) and the Public Finance Act
- Ensure TechOne can produce inventories as part of the Financial Statements
- Establish an improve accounting framework
- Coordinate and oversee staff tasks during audit time (May-July)
- Establish a more robust system of reconciliation of cash and bank balances using TechOne

Intended results: increase capacity to enable MOF staff to:

- Provide relevant support documents for Accounts Receivable and Revenue to assist Cabinet decision making
- Improve reconciliation processes movement of Statement of Receipts and Payments to reconcile with Cash Balances
- Produce annual financial statements within 6 months after the end of the financial year
- Produce monthly cash flow statements and actuals and projections for current and future years
- Compile Aid Management financial statements
- Provide monthly reports on Government financial performance against budgeted targets

Placement objective 3:

Ensure TechOne fully utilised to deliver maximum efficiencies

- Collaborate with the Planning and Budget department and the Audit Office to help implement the Regional Roadmap and address PEFA findings
- Establishment practices to ensure public financial management aligns with the *Public Finance Act* and Financial Instructions (including participating in the Government review of the Treasury Legal Framework)

Intended results: increase capacity to enable MOF staff to:

- Implement use of payment orders through TechOne to comply with Financial Instructions
- Introduce paperless payments
- Improve linkages between Planning and Budget, Treasury, and Audit Departments

- Monitor execution of the national budget using TechOne

Placement objective 4:

Asset management, procurement

- Work with the Central Procurement Unit (CPU) and Central Contract Management Unit (CCMU) to better account and report on government spending going towards large public procurements
- Responsible for ensuring a complete, accurate and current asset register is available through TechOne
- Regular updating of the Tuvalu Asset Management Register under the Asset Management Framework
- Explore ways to integrate the Tuvalu Asset Management Register under the Asset Management Framework in TechOne
- Review asset stocktake schedules with Asset Manager

Intended results: increase capacity to enable MOF staff to:

- Process all CPU procurement requirements through TechOne
- Manage contracts through TechOne
- Manage Tuvalu Asset Management Register through TechOne
- Produce asset statement valuations, amortisations and disposal records through TechOne

Placement objective 5:

Provide training to Treasury staff, Accounting Office and public officers in the management and reporting of public funds

- Oversee the work of the Treasury Department and the development of staff capacity
- Facilitate and/or lead training on TechOne
- Provide Higher Executive and Executive Officers with on-the-job training and refresher courses on the use of TechOne
- Provide training to Ministry staff on financial management and changes to system and processes, including the use of paperless payments system

Placement objective 6:

Other

- Provide sound financial advice to the Minister, Secretary, ministries and Cabinet, as required
- Lead the establishment of a centralised debt register and asset management framework
- Carry out other duties as required from time to time by the Secretary of Finance and the Government Accountant
- Ensure inclusive practices that enhance access for women, people with disabilities and other marginalised populations are incorporated into the operations of the Ministry of Finance

Placement objective 7:

Provide advice and guidance on cross-cutting issues

Relationship management, performance management and reporting

- The PFM Adviser will report to the Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Ministry of Finance, DFAT and the BPAC Team Leader with performance management undertaken jointly by these parties.
- The Adviser will be required to work closely with counterparts, including Departmental staff, with a focus on knowledge transfer and training.
- Key outputs and deliverables, as defined in the approved Workplan, are to be reported to the Supervisor on a regular basis
- The BPAC program requires performance reporting against the workplan on a six-monthly basis (as well as monthly situational reports)

Selection Criteria

Essential personal attributes

- Willingness to be deployed to Tuvalu
- An understanding and appreciation of the challenges of working in different cultural contexts
- An ability to work with limited resources and professional support in a remote location
- Patience, resilience, adaptability, creative problem-solving skills, and a commitment to teamwork and consultation
- Emotional intelligence, resourcefulness, openness to learning and an ability to manage stress

Essential qualifications and experience

- Tertiary qualification in accounting, Public Financial Management or a related field
- High level skills in managing staff in government or corporate accounting environments (as a Chief Accountant or Senior Accountant) and success in supporting and implementing change
- Experience in computerised financial management information systems in a Government environment, such as Technology One (TechOne) or a similar system
- Demonstrated experience and success in the development and implementation of formal and on the job training, including the development of relevant procedures and manuals
- **Knowledge or experience in managing the transition from cash-based to accrual accounting standards and practices**
- Proven ability of using a broad range of capacity development approaches
- Ability to develop and maintain successful working relationships with Ministers, staff, international donor organisations and other stakeholders, in a cross-cultural environment.
- **Ability to work in a multicultural environment with sensitivity, a team approach and respect for diversity.**
- Excellent communication and analytical skills, including report writing.
- Understanding of the importance of cross cutting development issues such as gender, anti-corruption and disability.

Desirable experience

- Previous experience living and working in a developing country (particularly in the Pacific or small island states).

Country Context

There are inherent opportunities and challenges that come with living and working in developing country contexts, including considerations unique to remote small island states. Applicants should consider these prior to applying and be willing and able to deploy to Tuvalu upon commencement of the role.

- Tuvalu is an independent country in the South Pacific within the Polynesian subregion. Tuvalu is comprised of three reef islands and six atolls.
- Tuvalu has a population of approximately 11,000, over half of whom live in Funafuti, the capital.
- COVID-19 has greatly impacted travel to and from Tuvalu, with limited flight options and mobility.
- There are approximately 8km of roads in Tuvalu.
- Tuvalu is a remote island nation with no local manufacturing and a limited human resources pool. It is heavily reliant on imports and vulnerable to supply shocks.
- Tuvalu has the smallest GDP of any sovereign nation in the world. Key incomes sources are seafood exports and foreign aid.
- Education in Tuvalu is free and compulsory between the ages of 6 and 15 years and the adult literacy rate is high. English is widely spoken, however for most daily use the Tuvaluan language is used.
- As at 1 December 2021 Tuvalu is yet to record a case of COVID-19.
- For more information visit <https://www.dfat.gov.au/geo/tuvalu/tuvalu-country-brief>

Other information

Amendments to the position's Terms of Reference may be made during the period of the engagement as required.

Cardno is committed to Safety and the Prevention of Sexual Abuse and Harassment (PSEAH), Child Protection and bribery prevention. We want to engage with the right people to deliver our client programs. As part of our approach you will be subjected to formal background screening, criminal record checks, employment verification, and periodic compliance checks. All Cardno staff receive safety, compliance and safeguards training and are responsible for contributing to a safer working culture.

Cardno is equal opportunity employer

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Opportunity in Property Economics & Research - Perth

- Work with industry experts & leaders in their profession
- Flexible and dynamic work environment
- Work for a rapidly growing, multi-disciplinary property business with a great team culture and company benefits

Who we are:

Urbis is people focussed, and we want the best for our team, our clients, and our friends. Our mission is about helping people be themselves and create meaningful, environmentally friendly cities & communities. Work with us because we want to make a difference, be innovative and be problem solvers. The skills you have are important because we elevate each other by being authentic and collaborative. We're looking for individuals who are driven and inspire those around them. Being at Urbis doesn't mean you are just a planner, heritage consultant, designer, or team administrator. Everyone gets to influence outcomes here, that's how we shape our clients, cities, communities, and future.

Urbis, you can 'Be authentic and make a difference'.

The Opportunity:

Our Property Economics & Research (PER) team works at the cutting edge of property and urban economics analysis, combining economics and big data analytics to provide creative evidence – based answers to society's most challenging questions. We are looking for enthusiastic individual to join our PER Perth team.

The role will be supported by highly experienced Directors and a market leading Property Economics & Research team. You will have the opportunity to work with other business units and interstate teams on various projects.

You will:

- Have exposure to a diverse range of projects from affordable housing to assessing population growth impacts from Covid-19, major infrastructure projects and master planning of precincts.
- Be provided with opportunities to explore, develop and present projects related to your personal areas/sectors of interest.
- Undertake comprehensive and innovative research and analysis to assist the team deliver robust evidence-based advice to clients.
- Provide personal critical thinking and analysis on a range of qualitative and quantitative data for consulting assignments.
- Undertake highly technical economic modelling to answer client challenges with quantifiable evidence.
- Prepare reports, presentations and other outputs.
- Utilise internal databases, business intelligence dashboards and Microsoft Office products to assist with day-to-day pieces of analysis.
- Remain aware and interested in current economic and financial news relevant to Urbis' core.
- Have the opportunity to communicate directly with clients on projects.
- Compile datasets and maintain databases.
- If you choose, have the opportunity to develop skills in relation to big-data analytics (SQL, Python) and business intelligence (i.e. PowerBI) to advance your ability to solve challenging client problems.

About You:

- This role would suit a recent graduate or a university student in their final year, looking to transition to a full-time position following the completion of their studies.
- Completed, or about to complete, undergraduate qualifications in Economics, Property Economics, Business/Finance, Mathematics, Statistics, Science, or related degree.
- A familiarity and interest in developing skills in the Microsoft Office suite (including Word, Excel and PowerPoint).
- Comprehensive communication skills, both verbally and written.
- Able to effectively prioritise and multi-task.
- Analytical skills with an ability to interpret and critically review data.

Why Urbis?

The heart of Urbis is our people, we believe every employee has the right to be invested with good leadership, a competitive salary, in house learning and career development opportunities. We pride ourselves in empowering our employees and supporting them to be the best they can be. You will have the benefits of salary continuance insurance, generous parental leave policy for both primary & secondary carers, work life balance, health & wellbeing programs and much more.

Urbis is committed to fostering a work environment that is inclusive, supports flexibility, and welcomes diversity. We are proud to be an equal opportunity employer. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

How to Apply?

If you are an enthusiastic candidate, with the desire to become part of a driven and highly professional team, please visit our [website](#) and submit an application. Email us at careers@urbis.com.au if you have any questions.

Recruitment Agencies - thank you for thinking of us. We do endeavour to fill our opportunities through direct channels wherever possible, however, if we find that we do need agency assistance, we'll be in touch.

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