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ADRIAN KLOEDEN RETIRES, SIR ROD EDDINGTON APPOINTED CHAIR OF INFRASTRUCTURE PARTNERSHIPS AUSTRALIA

The Chair of Infrastructure Partnerships Australia, Adrian Kloeden today announced his retirement and the Board's decision to appoint Sir Rod Eddington AO as the new Chair of the infrastructure sector's national peak body.

Mr Kloeden will retire from the Board of Infrastructure Partnerships Australia effective 2 May 2019. Sir Rod Eddington will be appointed to the Infrastructure Partnerships Australia Advisory Board effective immediately and will take over the chairmanship on 2 May 2019.

"It is with pride and optimism that I announce my retirement and the appointment of Sir Rod Eddington as the new chair of the organisation," said departing Infrastructure Partnerships Australia Chair, Adrian Kloeden.

"Sir Rod is a long-standing friend of the sector, and I feel great confidence that he is taking over the chairmanship – particularly at a time when our industry is undergoing unprecedented growth and tremendous change to the way we plan, fund and deliver infrastructure.

"It's been a privilege to serve the membership of Infrastructure Partnerships Australia, and I can think of no better person to guide the organisation, and the sector, than Sir Rod", said Mr Kloeden.

Incoming Infrastructure Partnerships Australia Chair Sir Rod Eddington said, "I'm honored to be appointed as the new Chair of Infrastructure Partnerships Australia and for the opportunity to lead Australia's most respected infrastructure policy organisation."

"Adrian Kloeden leaves the organisation in excellent shape and I thank him for his tireless contribution not just to the evolution of Infrastructure Partnerships Australia, but also for his dedication to the sector," said Sir Rod.

Chief Executive Adrian Dwyer said that, "Adrian Kloeden was instrumental to the establishment of this organisation and to its growth as an objective and evidence-based think tank, and I look forward to building on that legacy with Sir Rod".

Infrastructure Partnerships Australia is the infrastructure sector's leading industry think tank, providing independent policy research focused on excellence in social and economic infrastructure.

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BIOGRAPHY

Sir Rod Eddington AO

Rod Eddington is Chairman of J P Morgan's Asia Pacific Advisory Council and non-executive Chairman of Lion. Educated as an engineer at the UWA and then Oxford University as WA's 1974 Rhodes Scholar, Sir Rod's career began in transport and aviation and he went on to become CEO of Cathay Pacific, Ansett Airlines and British Airways, before retiring in late 2005 and returning to Australia.

In 2005, Sir Rod was awarded a Knighthood by the British Government for service to civil aviation, in 2012 was made an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) for service to business and commerce and in 2015 was honoured by the Japanese Government with the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Rising Sun for his contribution to strengthening the economic relations between Australia and Japan.

Sir Rod serves as a member of the APEC Business Advisory Council (ABAC) and President of the Australia Japan Business Cooperation Committee. He also sits as a non-executive director on the Boards of 21st Century Fox, China Light & Power Holdings, John Swire and Sons Pty Ltd. He is Chairman of Lion. He served as the inaugural Chair of Infrastructure Australia from 2008-2014.

Sir Rod has authored the Eddington Transport Study (a report to the British Government on transport's role in sustaining the UK's productivity and competitiveness) and Investing in Transport – East West Link Needs Assessment (a study undertaken for the Victorian Government into the best transport solutions for connecting Melbourne's eastern and western suburbs).

