



Director, Communications and Engagement

Permanent, Full Time | Sydney CBD

Infrastructure Partnerships Australia is a non-for-profit industry think tank and an executive member network, providing research focused on excellence in social and economic infrastructure. We exist to shape public debate and drive reform for the national interest.

As the national voice for infrastructure in Australia, our membership reflects a diverse range of public and private sector entities, including infrastructure owners, operators, financiers, advisers, technology providers and policy makers.

About You

- Our ideal candidate will have a passion for infrastructure with a well-developed understanding of either infrastructure markets, policy, regulated assets, and/or key infrastructure reform priorities
- Substantial experience running successful public affairs campaigns or a proven track record of policy development and agenda setting in politics, government, or the corporate sector
- Extensive experience working within executive leadership teams, providing strategic advice on government, media, and communications-related issues
- Proven experience with federal and/or state level engagement across political and bureaucratic verticals, with a well-developed network of existing relationships
- Experience setting the strategic agenda for organisations in a corporate or government setting, including developing corporate plans
- Active relationships with journalists covering national and metro media markets, and experience managing proactive and reactive media
- Experience developing media and government relations strategies, including profiling a large organisation using social media and new technology platforms
- Experience managing and motivating high-performance teams, including setting key performance measures for staff
- A well-developed understanding of government processes and parliamentary practice at either a state or federal level
- Excellent written and verbal communications skills and demonstrated ability to translate complex and technical information into accessible public information
- Sound judgement with proven ability to build rapport within an organisation and with external stakeholders, and
- Ability to produce high-quality written content suitable for media and events.

Required Attributes

- Circa 8 years' experience in one or more of the following fields: government relations, corporate affairs, stakeholder management, public policy, or relevant fields.
- Tertiary qualifications in communications, journalism, public policy (or equivalent).

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- Full time permanent contract
- Work from Sydney CBD based office
- Flexible working policy
- Some interstate travel may be required

- Personal development and training opportunities
- Remuneration will be a gross salary package negotiated on relevant skills and experience (it will include superannuation, personal leave, annual leave and any other statutory entitlements)
- The Infrastructure Partnerships Australia office closes over the Christmas – New Year period. Our practice is to maximise the Christmas period for staff holidays
- Annual leave entitlement is 20 days per annum accrued on a pro-rata basis, and
- Personal leave – ten (10) days per annum (this includes sick leave and carers leave)
- Commitment to culture and continuous improvement
- Inclusive Environment

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When applying you will need to attach:

- An up-to-date resume
 - A one-page cover letter, including a short statement in response to the two targeted questions below:
1. Provide an example demonstrating your experience running a public affairs or advocacy campaign and how you used your negotiation and influencing skills to achieve successful outcomes?
 2. Provide an example of your leadership skills embedding continuous improvement within a team environment or broader organisation?

Please send a covering letter and CV to michael.player@infrastructure.org.au and ipacareers@infrastructure.org.au.