

# ICDP FOUNDATION

University Scholarships for Pacific Youth



The ICDP Foundation is an Australian charity established in 2019 to support development initiatives in the Pacific, including projects in education, cultural preservation, health and the natural environment. It is currently working to secure approval as an 'overseas aid fund' through the Australian Government.

Our first project is intended to provide university scholarships to young Pacific Islanders from disadvantaged backgrounds. Through this work, we will strive to:

- increase young people's access to high-quality tertiary education and job opportunities
- build the capabilities of education stakeholders
- promote opportunities for Pacific Island girls and women

## WHO WE ARE

The ICDP Foundation is fortunate to have several highly regarded figures overseeing and guiding its activities.

Our Managing Board includes **Andrew Carriline** (Chair), Non-Executive Director of Kina Securities, **Peter Fritz AO**, Group Managing Director of TCG, **Catherine Fritz-Kalish**, Managing Director of Global Access Partners, **Hon Christopher Pyne**, Professor at the University of South Australia, and **Dr Ian Watt AC**, Chair of the International Centre for Democratic Partnerships (ICDP).



## OUR ACTIVITIES

The ICDP Foundation Scholarship Programme will help talented Pacific students study a wide range of disciplines at the University of the South Pacific and other Pacific Island national universities.

The Foundation may offer scholarships across the Pacific, including PNG, Fiji, Solomon Islands, Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu. Over time, we will look to expand our charitable work to more Pacific Islands and Australia.

We are passionate about helping young people achieve their full potential and break the cycle of poverty that limits opportunities for many children. Grassroots leadership can help communities make full use of their assets and become more resilient and adaptable in the face of economic, social, cultural and environmental change.

As an Australian organisation offering small, discretionary grants, we can be a reliable and effective conduit for philanthropy into the Pacific. Our extensive network of contacts in Australia and the Pacific ensure an informed and collaborative approach, allowing groups with common interests to pool returns on their investment.

We invite you to work with us to help more Pacific Island students attain degrees, pursue successful careers and drive enduring social change in the region. For more details, contact [info@icdp.com.au](mailto:info@icdp.com.au)

## ICDP FOUNDATION CHAIR



### Andrew Carriline

Andrew is an experienced business executive, commercially astute and highly skilled at operating in regulated environments. After a long and distinguished career at Westpac, he has built a portfolio of non-executive and advisory roles in the commercial and not-for-profit sectors. Andrew is Chair of the Pacific Connect Business Network Council and an Ambassador for ICDP.

## ICDP FOUNDATION MANAGING BOARD



### Peter Fritz AO

Peter Fritz AO is Group Managing Director of TCG - a diverse group of Australian-owned private companies which over the last fifty years have produced many breakthrough discoveries in computer and communication technologies. Peter chairs several government and private enterprise boards and has represented Australia on the OECD Small and Medium-Size Enterprise Committee.



### Hon Christopher Pyne

Christopher is a retired Australian Liberal Party politician who served as Member of Parliament for Sturt from 1993 to 2019. He served as the Leader of the House and held Education, Industry, Innovation and Science, and Defence portfolios. In June 2019, Christopher was appointed as an industry professor at the University of South Australia.



### Catherine Fritz-Kalish

Catherine is Co-Founder and Managing Director of Global Access Partners (GAP), an independent not-for-profit institute for active policy. She sits on the board of social justice charity Stand Up, is a member of the advisory board for the Social Impact Hub, and has co-founded Australian charity Thread Together. Catherine is a director of ICDP.



### Dr Ian Watt AC

Dr Watt has had a long career as one of Australia's most distinguished public servants, with nearly 20 years at the highest levels of the public service, including Secretary of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. Dr Watt is Chair of ICDP, the ADC Advisory Council and Australian Governance and Ethical Index Fund.