

A new direction for Australasian Policing

The development of an organisation providing policy support, strategic advice, research, knowledge management and information-sharing across Australian and New Zealand police jurisdictions is under way.

The Australia and New Zealand Policing Support Agency (ANZPSA) was approved by the Australasian Police Ministers' Council (APMC) in June last year, and combines the resources and functions of 17 diverse organisations, including the Australasian Centre for Policing Research (ACPR), the Australasian Multicultural Advisory Bureau (APMAB), and the Australasian Police Professional Standards Council.

Sponsor of ANZPSA, Victoria Police Chief Commissioner Christine Nixon, said the establishment of the agency represents an exciting new direction in Australasian policing.

"By establishing one organisation, ANZPSA presents an important opportunity for Australian and New Zealand policing. ANZPSA will have an extensive and diverse work program covering diverse areas including equity and multicultural issues, information technology, counter-terrorism and professional standards development," she said.

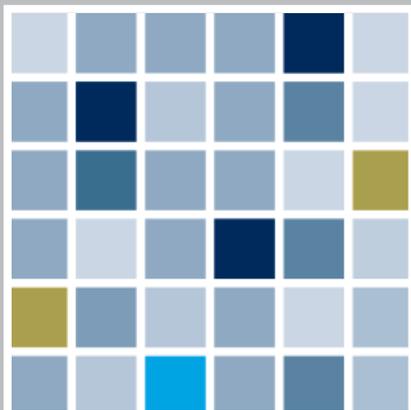
Serving Australia and New Zealand Commissioners, ANZPSA will build on the work of national policing services and Police Commissioners Conference organisations, and maintain valuable advisory resources and networks within jurisdictions to inform its work program.

To establish ANZPSA, an implementation team comprising representatives from the Australian Federal Police and Victoria, New South Wales, Tasmania, and Queensland police services, has been working together. Since September last year, the team has developed the organisation by settling a memorandum of understanding, appointing the executive director, and addressing a range of legal, financial, and administrative issues.

ANZPSA will be located in Melbourne and supported administratively by Victoria Police.

It is expected that ANZPSA will commence operation later this year, and further ANZPSA news will be published via the usual communications tools.

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A 2020 vision for the future of world policing

Preparations are well under way for a significant international conference to be held in Australia and hosted by the AFP.

The conference will take place in Canberra from 19-21 November 2007 and will explore key global influences likely to shape crime and law enforcement through to the year 2020.

International Policing Toward 2020 will bring together leading speakers and senior officials from key national and international law enforcement agencies, government departments, academic institutions and private sectors to discuss emerging trends in crime, sociology, geopolitics, science and technology and their implications for law enforcement.

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Commissioner Mick Keelty said the conference will provide up to 500 participants with a rare insight into issues that will impact on crime in the future. It will also provide a valuable networking opportunity for senior officials working in law enforcement and related fields.

Chair of the Advisory Group for the conference, Chief of Staff Andrew Colvin, said members of the Group, including National Managers, are overseeing the content and themes for the conference sessions

The conference program is currently being finalised and registration details will be forwarded to delegates shortly.

Further information on the conference will be provided in future editions of *Platypus Magazine* as well as the AFP website.

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