

**Dr Stephen Brown**

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Dr Stephen Brown has more than 30 years of education experience in Australia and internationally. He was the Regional Director of Hume Region in Victoria for four years and acted in the position of Deputy Secretary, Office of Government School Education (OGSE). Dr Brown was Executive Director of the Literacy and Numeracy Secretariat in the Victorian Department of Education and Early Childhood Development and a member of the departmental leadership team. Stephen was the inaugural Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Queensland Education Leadership Institute (QELi) Ltd from December 2010 to April 2016. Currently Dr Brown undertakes a portfolio career nationally and internationally as an academic; consultant, international advisor to governments, schooling sectors and business; board roles and director of a global services company. Dr Brown has a Doctorate of Education from the University of Southern Queensland and a Master of Arts from the University of London. He was awarded the Australian Council for Educational Leaders (ACEL) Nganakarra Award in 2007 and a presidential citation from the same organisation in 2009. Dr Brown is also a National and State fellow of ACEL. In 2009, he was nominated for membership of the Global Education Leaders Program – a coalition of leading system thinkers. Stephen was identified as a participant in the Victorian Leadership Development Centre's 2009 program for future Deputy Secretaries in the Victorian Public Sector.



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In August 2013, Dr Brown was awarded by ACEL (Qld) the prestigious Miller-Grassie Award for outstanding leadership in education. He is a national Fellow of ACEL (FACEL), a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Management (FAIM) and in 2014 graduated from the Australian Institute of Company Directors program (GAICD). Currently Dr Brown undertakes a number of significant national and international roles:

1. International Advisory Board Member – Scottish College of Educational Leadership (SECL).
2. Scholar-Practitioner Fellow — Asia Pacific Centre for Leadership and Change (APCLC), The Education University of Hong Kong.
3. Executive Chair, National School Leadership Initiative (NESLI)
4. Expert Advisor Board of Management Centre for School Leadership (CDU-Darwin).

In 2016 Stephen established the global professional services company, 'The Brown Collective' – a company that specialises in providing customised responses to enhance individual, team and organisational performance. The Collective is a professional community of world experts in the school sector connected by common values and a strong ethical base. Dr Brown has an international and national reputation as an outstanding CEO and leader, having completed his doctoral studies in organisational redesign in the public sector. Dr Brown has undertaken consultancies in a range of settings and contexts within Australia and internationally including Indonesia, Vanuatu, the Philippines, Nauru, Scotland, Bhutan, Hong Kong, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and China. He is a highly regarded expert in the areas of leadership development, organisational renewal and redesign, strategy, change management and capability development. As the author of research papers on public sector change, leadership and organisational redesign, Dr Brown is frequently invited to address national and international conferences on leadership, organisational change and school improvement.



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