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Equity Trustees appoints research and evaluation manager

Equity Trustees has appointed Ms Emma Pritchard to the newly created position of research and evaluation manager, clearly signalling the Company's firm commitment to growing private philanthropy in Australia.

Equity Trustees distributed more than \$70m in the 2015 financial year on behalf of the charitable trusts and foundations for which it is trustee following the wishes and directions of their philanthropic founders.

Reporting to Equity Trustee's General Manager, Philanthropy, Tabitha Lovett, Ms Pritchard will be responsible for developing and managing a strategy and framework to better understand and demonstrate the outcomes of grants awarded.

Ms Lovett, said the grants evaluation function was of increasing importance in the business, with the increasing trend for larger, multi-year grants continuing to highlight the importance of evaluating the benefits of the grant making process.

"Emma has close to 20 years research and evaluation experience, including ten years in international development and four years in the community legal sector, which makes her a perfect fit for this role," Ms Lovett said.

Prior to joining Equity Trustees Ms Pritchard worked in evaluation in international development including nine years as the senior research and evaluation adviser – child protection - for World Vision Australia (WVA). Emma has held various evaluation consultant roles in the community legal sector, including with Justice Connect (formerly PILCH), the Western Community Legal Centre in Melbourne and the Women's Legal Service of Victoria. In 2015 she developed and conducted Justice Connect's first impact reporting process and authored the inaugural report.

Her experience also takes in research and evaluation in the health sector both in Australia and overseas. Emma was a research fellow at Turning Point Alcohol and Drug Centre, Melbourne, for two years, a research consultant on an HIV/Aids prevention project for Population Services International in China and Laos, she worked for the National Centre for Health Promotion in Phnom Penh, Cambodia for a year and over six years held a variety of research roles with the Cancer Council Victoria.

"Emma's experience across a wide range of community projects, community law and charitable organisations make her a valuable addition to the Equity Trustees philanthropy team.

"In this role Emma will be liaising with grant recipients, our expert panels and co-trustees to develop systems to effectively evaluate and demonstrate the outcomes and social impacts of the charitable trusts' granting and distributions.

"She has demonstrated a proven capacity to design and manage complex evaluations which is an increasingly important part of meeting our donor reporting requirements.

"Her experience across a range of industries and sectors will allow her to actively participate in the development of strategies to grow the philanthropy business, and to collaborate with the philanthropy team to provide efficient and accurate client service."

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Ms Pritchard holds a Bachelor of Laws from Monash University, a Graduate Diploma in Applied Psychology and a Bachelor of Arts from Monash University.

She is a member of the Australasian Evaluation Society (AES) as well as Committee member of the AES Victorian Branch and Coordinator of the AES Victorian seminar program.

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