



## **Media Release**

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"Women in Super NSW and the AGSM @ UNSW Business School award 25 fully funded virtual executive courses to WIS Members across Australia"

On 22 May 2020, Women in Super (WIS) and AGSM @ UNSW Business School announced they had awarded a total of 25 fully funded AGSM leadership virtual training programs to Women in Super Members across Australia. The initiative successfully extends the six-year collaboration between WIS NSW and AGSM to provide Executive Education training programs for Women in Super members.

The highly sought after courses were offered initially to 20 Women in Super members but seeing the demand AGSM offered a further 5 courses. WIS and AGSM are thrilled to be able to assist in continuing to offer high quality professional development opportunities to members.

AGSM@UNSW Business School is globally recognised as a builder and nurturer of leadership and management capability (ranked in the Top 100 Global MBA Financial Times (UK) Rankings 2019). Recipients will attend one of AGSM's Virtual Learning programs.

In addition, for <u>any WIS members</u> who missed out, AGSM have offered the same Virtual Courses at a special rate of \$420 (ex GST), discounted from the full price of \$990 (ex GST), this offer closes on Friday 5 June 2020.

The AGSM courses will deliver 14 hours of learning over two weeks and are designed to be highly interactive. They include a blend of live virtual workshops, action learning and coaching so that you can still share experiences, learn from other participants, and build your professional network.

There will be about 6 hours work outside the webinars, for digital learning & reading, action learning tasks and self- reflection.

One of the award winners, Gilnar Obeid, Director of Due Diligence and RFPs at First Sentier Investors noted, "I am looking forward to participating in the AGSM program. The online aspect of the course is very convenient and provides a great learning and development opportunity during this lockdown period that I can take back to my business. The courses have high relevance not just to my career, but also as we navigate this new post Covid 19 world."





Speaking about the changes to this year's initiative, Lata McNulty, Chair of NSW Women in Super, noted, "In these unprecedented times, we wanted to make sure we were able to maximise the impact of our collaboration with the AGSM for our membership. During this time, we know many of our members are looking for opportunities to learn and grow and the AGSM program platform will enable many of our members to do this from wherever they are in Australia. This year we have chosen to increase the number of awards and to share it beyond the NSW border. I am proud to announce that in total we awarded 19 in NSW and one each for ACT, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria and Western Australia"

Speaking about the program, Magnus Gittins, AGSM, Director of Executive Education said, "I would like to congratulate the recipients and reiterate our continued support of this important program. In the current environment, leaders must remain committed to delivering value for their organisations as, simultaneously, they are being tasked with operating flexibly in an increasingly virtual environment. To support leaders and organisation in navigating these challenges, AGSM is proud to introduce AGSM Virtual Learning. The superannuation industry is vital to assuring the long term financial livelihoods of Australian's in the later stages of life and yet has challenges related to equity and accessibility; issues that Women in Super has been championing for many years. We are committed to developing the leadership potential of women in the superannuation industry as advocates for change and improvement. These courses provide a great opportunity for talented women to pursue executive education across a range of core strategic capabilities to develop strategic leadership and management skills".

For more information on Women In Super please visit the website on www.womeninsuper.com.au.

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**Women in Super** seeks is a national advocacy and networking group that works to improve women's retirement outcomes. As a not-for-profit, Women in Super seeks to provide professional development, networking and career progression opportunities to its members across the Australian superannuation industry

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