



## CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

### Marine National Facility Steering Committee: Government Representative

- Exciting opportunity to join the CSIRO Marine National Facility (MNF) Steering Committee as a Government Representative.
- Seeking Australian Government representative, ideally with marine science adjacent interests.
- Work alongside respected experts to facilitate excellent marine science for the nation.

### MNF Steering Committee

The Marine National Facility Steering Committee (MNFSC), appointed by the CSIRO Board, provides strategic advice on the direction, time allocation, and performance of the MNF within Australian and international contexts. Operating under CSIRO's governance and *The Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013*, the MNFSC includes a Chair and representatives from government, industry, and the user community, with ex-officio members from relevant agencies to ensure alignment with national priorities. The MNFSC advises on policy, advocates for marine research, promotes use of the research vessel (RV) *Investigator*, and raises awareness of the MNF's contributions to the nation.

Refer to the MNFSC Charter for further details:

<https://www.csiro.au/en/about/facilities-collections/MNF/About/Steering-committee/MNFSC-Charter>

### About the role

The MNFSC is seeking a Government Representative to help develop the next generation of Australian marine scientists. The role involves attending meetings and actively contributing to discussions.

Ideal candidates will:

- currently work in a leadership role in an Australian Government Organisation with broad connections across Government sector, particularly within climate change, the environment, and sciences
- have demonstrated experience in strategic policy development
- demonstrate proven leadership and effective communication skills with government, research and industry stakeholders
- have strong experience working in multi-disciplinary teams.

Appointments are for 3 years, with a possible second term. Members act as independent experts, not as representatives of their employers. The MNFSC meets face-to-face twice a year in Hobart (July and November). Additional video meetings and out-of-session consultations may occur.

Committee members are not excluded from submitting or being party to applications for sea time and a robust process for managing conflicts of interest is in place.

For more information and the MNFSC Terms of Reference, visit

<https://www.csiro.au/en/about/facilities-collections/MNF/About/Steering-committee>

## How to Apply

Please apply to [mnfsecretariat@csiro.au](mailto:mnfsecretariat@csiro.au) with single document including your cover letter and CV. Your cover letter should address the attributes listed above, including the skills, experience and area of expertise that you will bring to the committee.

**Applications close:** Thursday 11 September 2025 at 11:59pm AEST

### Further information

If you require further information, please contact the **MNFSC Secretariat** at [mnfsecretariat@csiro.au](mailto:mnfsecretariat@csiro.au) or 03 6232 5102.

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## About the Marine National Facility

Funded by the Australian Government, owned and operated by CSIRO with advice from an independent Steering Committee, the MNF provides a blue-water research capability to the Australian scientific community and their international collaborators.

The MNF is based at the CSIRO Marine Laboratories in Hobart, Tasmania, which is also home port for research vessel (RV) *Investigator*. Research obtained from voyages provide critical information to directly support government, industry and other stakeholders in making evidence-based decisions to ensure the long-term viability and prosperity of Australia's marine industries and environment.

The MNF comprises: the ocean class research vessel, RV *Investigator*; a suite of scientific equipment and instrumentation; a collection of more than 40 years of marine data; the expertise required to manage an ocean-going research platform and support to vessel users; and an independent Steering Committee and advisory committees. Find out more: [www.csiro.au/mnf](http://www.csiro.au/mnf)