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Media Release

LONG-SERVING COMMONWEALTH BANK EXECUTIVE GRANT CAIRNS HAS BEEN APPOINTED VICE PRESIDENT OF FINSIA

FINSIA, the leading Australasian financial services professional body, announces the appointment of Grant Cairns, Executive General Manager, Regional and Agribusiness Banking as its Vice President.

Grant, who became one of the first candidates to graduate through the Chartered Banker programme when it was introduced to Australia last year, said he was delighted with the opportunity.

“I’m really looking forward to helping FINSIA find the best way forward for the industry as a whole helping it deliver the best outcomes for customers and the community,” said Grant Chartered Banker F FIN.

“While I’ve only been a board member for 11 months, I’m aware of FINSIA’s history and commitment to the professionalisation of banking and financial services.

“It’s something I’m passionate about as well.

“Given the challenging times we have faced over the past months, it’s clear the banking industry has a vital role to play at the heart of all our communities.

“It is important to be able to respond effectively during these challenging times providing our staff with the necessary tools through training and technology together with the skills and attitude to act in an ethical, responsible manner to achieve the best outcomes for our customers.

“Being a Chartered Banker hones your focus on your accountabilities as a banker particularly with respect to customer outcomes, understanding your compliance and regulatory obligations and having ethical frameworks to apply sound judgement.

“As Chartered Bankers, I think we are well placed to role model professional standards in the industry amongst those we lead and work with.

“I look forward to working with FINSIA and key industry stakeholders to help professionalise the industry for the betterment of our customers.”

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FINSIA's heritage is over 130 years of progressing financial service knowledge and conduct to high standards. More importantly than ever FINSIA is the connector of key stakeholders, industry regulators, government and education providers to help deepen trust in financial services by raising standards of professionalism. FINSIA enables the advancement of competence and integrity for the benefit of professionals, consumers and society.