

BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS



SIMON HARRINGTON
PRINCIPAL

Simon Harrington retired as a Rear Admiral after nearly 40 years in the Royal Australian Navy. After leaving the Navy he was appointed Services Member of the Repatriation Commission.

Simon retired from the Navy in 2002. His naval service included command of two warships and of the Royal Australian Naval College at Jervis Bay. Other senior appointments included Director of Naval Officers Postings, Director General of Recruiting, Naval Support Commander and Defence Attaché in Washington DC. He also was involved in the establishment of the Australian College of Defence and Strategic Studies and was one of its inaugural Deputy Directors of Studies.

Earlier career highlights include being second in command of a patrol boat in PNG with a predominantly indigenous crew attending the Naval Advanced Operational Technology Course at Shrivenham in the UK and having a year as a Visiting Fellow at the Strategic and Defence Studies Centre, ANU.

After leaving the Navy he served as the Services Member of the Repatriation Commission for 3 ½ years and was one of the inaugural members of the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission.

He was a member of the 2009 Defence White Paper Public Consultation Team.

Simon later became coordinator of the Australian and New Zealand team that worked with Turkish experts to undertake the Joint Historical and Archaeological Study of the Anzac Battle Site at Gallipoli between 2010 and 2014.

Simon also served on the Councils of both the Australian and National Maritime Museum and the Australian War Memorial.

He has been an occasional contributor to publications mainly relating to national security.

Qualifications & Memberships

MBA, Deakin University
Visiting Fellow, Strategic and Defence Studies Centre ANU
Level 1 and 2 Coaching Institute of Executive Coaching
Fellow Australian Institute of Company Directors
Services Member, Repatriation Commission
Member Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Commission
Councillor Australian War Memorial
Councillor Australian National Maritime Museum
Member Defence White Paper Public Consultation Team
Member of the Order of Australia (AM)
Officer of the Legion of Merit (US Award)

Areas of Expertise

Executive Leadership and Senior Management
Team Building
Executive Coaching and Mentoring
Leadership Development
Inter and Intra Governmental Relations