



To Whom it May Concern

I am writing to nominate for the Multistakeholder Forum as I have a strong and demonstrated interest in open and more responsive government, and the experience and knowledge to help achieve the Forum's stated aims.

In particular, I am a University student who also has both knowledge of and experience in government, not-for-profit organisations and the private sector. I can therefore bring a younger person's perspective, combined with community experience and knowledge of how government works and the challenges and opportunities that exist in trying to achieve the aims of the National Action Plan and Open Government Declaration.

My involvement and interest in governance extends from local community associations, being on governance committees of community-based organisations and charities, and on the governance committee of a think tank, through to leading national training for education providers on government policy in the education sector.

I am currently completing a Masters of Communication at Australia's second-largest university to pursue my interest in stakeholder engagement and public participation, as well as completing the International Association for Public Participation's Certificate of Engagement. I was an advisory partner for the development of a new course in community engagement at my university.

In addition to this interest, I have experience working across a range of government agencies, including the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet. I am a keen supporter of more public involvement in government decisions and have sought to incorporate this in my own work.

In my roles in both the private sector and in non-government governance boards and committees I have needed to advocate on behalf of those organisations I represented, while navigating relevant government processes, dealing with government, and the openness of their processes.

This experience has given me knowledge of the processes at the core of the open government agenda. This includes government processes in relation to procurement, transparency, freedom of information, Cabinet processes, and data collection and storage.

I am able to engage a variety of networks through my non-government and government experience, community connections such as my local residents' association and other community organisations, and rural communities through my rural connections.

I believe I could bring a blend of youth and experience, as well as a blend of knowledge in government processes and community expectations of government. I believe this can help me make a positive contribution to the work of the Forum.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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