

Name: Stephen Willson
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IML ANZ Post Nominal: FIML
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State: New Zealand
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Date: 10 April 2020
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YOUR PROFILE

Provide brief description of your professional background.

Stephen Willson has over 30 years' experience in the telecommunications, ICT, banking and broadcasting industries. He has also had a secondary career path, serving with the New Zealand Army. These combined experiences have provided a solid foundation for a career that has grown from being a technician-engineer to leading specialist teams through large-scale change and growth, both locally and at multinational level. Stephen has managed companies in New Zealand and was the General Manager of an Australian business.

In his current role as Director of Sales and Market Development for one of the primary technology suppliers to New Zealand's Ultrafast Broadband programme he is responsible for the development of new products and solutions, and the strategy to market them in New Zealand and Australia. +

CAREER JOURNEY

Provide details of your experience to date including community, board or project involvement.

Prior to this he was the Country Manager of a software solutions company for nine and half years and he also served on the company's board as an Executive Director. During this period he provided the strategic leadership to develop and bring to market a highly innovative range of products that were exported globally.

With the establishment of the IML in New Zealand in 2018 Stephen became a foundation member and is a regular attendee at his branch events. He is keen to foster the continued growth of the organisation in New Zealand and as a director is interested in governance from a stakeholder perspective.

For it to be truly representative, it's very important that New Zealand has a voice on the IML ANZ Board.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

If applicable, provide details of any qualifications you have gained or Memberships to other organisations.

Stephen is:

- a Graduate of the Officer Cadet School of New Zealand and a retired Army Officer.
- a Registered Engineering Associate.
- a Licenced Electrical Worker.
- a Fellow of the Institute of Managers and Leaders and currently on the pathway to become a Chartered Manager.
- a Member of the New Zealand Institute of Directors and holds the Institute's Certificate in Company Direction and Chartered Member Assessment qualifications.
- a Member of IT Professionals New Zealand.

Current Board Director bios can be found on the IML website: managersandleaders.com.au/board-of-directors/