

Dr Dan Johnson – Managing Director, The Australian Wine Research Institute (AWRI)

Dr Dan Johnson (BSc Hons, PhD, MBA, GAICD) has been the Managing Director of The Australian Wine Research Institute (AWRI) since December 2011.

Founded in 1955, AWRI is a research, development and extension organisation owned and governed by the Australian wine industry. Dan is also Chairman of the Australian Wine Industry Technical Conference, a director on two other Boards and a member of numerous national and international committees. He obtained a first class BSc (Hons) and PhD at Flinders University for work on biological chemistry, during which time he was awarded several prizes and awards, and undertook post-doctoral work at Monash University in Victoria. He also obtained an MBA at the University of Adelaide, where he was named in the Dean's list of outstanding graduates.

He is Honorary Adjunct Professor at Macquarie University, a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, the Wine Industry Future Leader's program, the Harvard University Authentic Leadership Development course, the INSEAD Blue Ocean Strategy course and the IESE Business School Negotiation program. His awards include the BioSA Young Achiever of the Year in South Australian Bioscience, an Institute of Food Technologists Tanner Award and a personal scholarship from the South Australian Industry Leaders Fund.

