

Tony Eyres – Senior Investment Specialist, Agribusiness and Food, Australian Trade and Investment Commission

Tony Eyres joined the Australian Trade and Investment Commission (Austrade) in 2015 as a Senior Investment Specialist (SIS). The SIS is a national role in attracting productive foreign direct investment (FDI) into Australia. Tony works closely with the Austrade's global network and Australian state and territory governments. In this role, Tony develops and facilitates local investment project opportunities, facilitates FDI projects of strategic national interest where barriers to implementation have been identified and works with existing foreign investors to Australia in securing reinvestment. Tony initially focused on the Resources and Energy sector, transitioning to his current SIS Agribusiness and Food role in late 2016.

Prior to joining Austrade, Tony was as an Executive Director with UBS Global Asset Management, in Sydney, developing a new farmland investment fund. This finance sector experience followed 20 years working in and alongside corporate and financial entities, NGOs and government agencies here in Australia and a corporate role with global FMCG company, Fonterra, based in New Zealand.

He has gained exposure to the highest levels of government, corporations and industry bodies across Australia and internationally, specifically in the growth economies of China, India, Indonesia and Brazil. Tony holds a degree in agricultural and resource economics, complemented by several executive development programs, including at the Harvard University's Business School and Kennedy School of Government.

