



Media release

Three foresters recognised in Australia Day Honours

Three prominent foresters have been named Members in the General Division of the Order of Australia in the Australia Day Honours List for 2018, and are now entitled to the post nominal AM.

Dr Johannes (Hans) Hendrik Drielsma

For significant service to the commercial forestry industry, to sustainable management practices and certification programs, and to professional bodies.

Hans is a former Director of the Institute and a recipient, in 2015, of the Institute's highest award, the Norman W Jolly Medal.

Mr Gary William Morgan AFSM

For significant service to the community through emergency response organisations, and to forest and fire research and management.

Gary is the Chair of the Forest Fire Committee of the Institute of Foresters of Australia.

Mr Roger John Underwood

For significant service to the community of Western Australia through forestry and bushfire management, and as an historian and writer.

Roger is a former member of the Institute and a recipient, in 2008, of the Institute's highest award, the Norman W Jolly Medal.

National President of the Institute of Foresters of Australia, Mr Bob Gordon said, 'Congratulations to Hans, Gary and Roger who have all made enormous contributions to the body of scientific knowledge about Australia's forests over many years.

'The Institute is over 80 years old now and has a history of being a trusted source of reliable, scientifically robust information about Australia's forests and that is a tradition which is well served by current members,' said Bob.

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