

**AUSTRALIA INDIA BUSINESS COUNCIL LTD
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)
ACN 154 498 218**

ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

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This financial report covers Australia India Business Council Ltd as an individual entity.

Australia India Business Council Ltd is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is:

Eakin McCaffery Cox
Level 28, 1 Market Street
SYDNEY NSW 2000

A description of the nature of the company's operations and its principal activities is included in the directors' report on page 1.

The financial statements were authorised by the board of directors on 25 July 2015. The directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors present their report on Australia India Business Council Ltd ("the company") for the financial year ended 31 December 2014.

DIRECTORS

The following persons were directors and officers of the company at any time during, or since the end of, the year. Unless otherwise stated, the Director was in office for the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report:

Name	Meetings of Board of Directors eligible to attend during financial year	Number of meetings of Board of Directors attended
Dipen Rughani	7	7
Sheba Nandkeolyar	7	7
Con Livissianis	7	7
John Cox (Resigned 26 May 2015)	4	4
Deepak-Raj Gupta	7	7
Randeep Agarwal	7	4
Dr Adrian Vicary	7	6
Ravi Bhatia (Resigned 19 September 2014)	4	3
Omesh Motiwalla (Appointed 7 April 2014)	6	1
Arun Sharma (Resigned 1 July 2015)	7	5
Peter O'Byrne (Resigned 31 May 2014)	3	3
Sanjay Bhartia (Resigned 17 February 2014)	-	-
Raja Venkateswar (Appointed 26 May 2015)	-	-

DIRECTORS QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Dipen Rughani - Chairman (Independent Non-Executive Director).

Mr Rughani joined the board in January 2012 and was appointed Chairman in June 2012. Mr Rughani has over 25 years of experience in business, his specialty and focus has been on International Trade & Investment with exposure in Education, ICT, Consumer Goods (FMCG), Pharmaceuticals, Agriculture, Mining & Resources and Property Development.

Mr Rughani is a leading authority on trade and investment within the Australia-India corridor, in 2010 he founded Newland Global Group a boutique consultancy which works with reputable organisations in the public and private sectors including: Coca Cola Amatil, Department of Education NSW (TAFE NSW), UNSW Global, Cadila Pharmaceuticals India, and the Government of Gujarat to name a few.

Mr Rughani has established a deep and far reaching network in the business community and government agencies within Australia and India.

Board Roles/Industry Positions

- National Chairman of the Australia India Business Council (Current)
- Member of the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas national organising committee. An event for Non-resident Indians organised by the Government of India in Sydney (2013)
- Member of NSW Governments International Education & Research Taskforce (2012)
- Member of the NSW Governments Indian Ministerial Consultative Committee (current)
- Inaugural Board member of the Australia India Youth Dialogue (2011)
- Member of the organising committee, established by the NSW Dept. Of Premier and Cabinet, for the Queens Baton Relay, part of the Commonwealth Games (2010)

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

DIRECTORS QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES (continued)

Sheba Nandkeolyar - Vice Chair (Independent Non-Executive Director).

Ms Nandkeolyar is a long standing member of AIBC since the past 15 years. She joined the Board in 2012 and was appointed Vice Chairman in June 2014. Ms Nandkeolyar, is a Master of Business Administration (MBA) and has specialised in Marketing & Finance. She was recently appointed on the Board of Australia India Council, by The Hon. Foreign Minister Julie Bishop and was tasked with responsibilities for supporting economic diplomacy and Women in Business initiatives. She has extensive global, Indian and Australian experience as a leading expert in the areas of International Trade, Marketing to new audiences, Cross Border & Offshore consultancy. She is an advisor to the Australian Government and business organisations in Australia & India. Sheba is also an advisor to several start up Australian & Indian companies. Sheba has founded her company MultiConnexions in 2006, which today is a leading company in its industry. Sheba was recently awarded the 2015 Life Time Achievement Award for Excellence in Global Communications by the peak industry advertising body International Advertising Association in London. She is a visiting industry faculty member at several Business Schools and Universities. Sheba actively supports the Salvation Army Australia and The Follow Your Dream Foundation, Lions International in implementing several Women & Children focussed initiatives in Australia, India & China.

Board positions:

- Board Member, AIC- Australia India Council.
- National Vice Chair, Australia India Business Council
- Board Member of IAA (International Advertising Association, Australia)
- Trustee & Board member of Follow your Dream Foundation, Lions International
- Chief Executive Officer / Director, MultiConnexions

Industry Expertise:

- Expert Advisory Panel member for Diversity Council of Australia on the following research projects:
 - Leading in the Asian Century: A National Scorecard of Australia's Workforce Asia Capability, 2015
 - Cracking the Cultural Ceiling; Future Proofing your business in the Asian Century, 2014
 - Capitalising on Culture: A Study of the Cultural Origins of ASX 200 Business Leaders, 2013
- Member on Tourism and International Education, Task Force, NSW Government
- Founder Chair of the Multicultural Committee of Communications Council of Australia
- Founding Chair of Women in Business Chapter, AIBC
- Former member of NSW Asia Business Advisory Council

Con Livissianis - Treasurer (Independent Non-Executive Director).

Mr Livissianis joined the Board in July 2013. Mr Livissianis has extensive experience in corporate governance, strategic planning, change management and accounting. He also has broad experience across the agricultural, mining, import wholesale distribution, construction, property development, telecommunications, education and manufacturing sectors and in business expansion in Asia. Mr Livissianis is the Managing Director of Exemplar Performance Advantage Pty Ltd, Chairman of CPA Australia's Director Discussion Group and the Vice Chairman of the Greek Orthodox Parish of South East Sydney. Mr Livissianis has a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Accounting & Financial Management and is a Fellow of both CPA Australia and the Australia Institute of Company Directors. Mr Livissianis is also the Chairman of the Audit, Finance & Risk Committee.

Mr Livissianis has travelled 15 times in the past 5 years to India and established an office in Bangalore India that focuses on Global Good Governance and Innovation.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

DIRECTORS QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES (continued)

John Cox - Independent Non-Executive Director and Company Secretary

Mr Cox resigned as the President of the NSW Chapter and Director of the Company on 26 May 2015. Mr Cox has acted as Company Secretary of AIBC Limited since the formation of the Company in January, 2012. As a senior partner in the Sydney law firm, Eakin McCaffery Cox, Mr Cox has extensive experience in corporate and commercial law, and has acted as company secretary for a number of charitable institutions. He has acted extensively for corporate clients in a broad range of disciplines including tertiary education, advertising, satellite communications, agricultural equipment suppliers, licensed gaming operators, arts and entertainment, patent disputes and intellectual property licensing. He acts extensively for local government and NSW State Owned Corporations/Trusts. Mr Cox is the Honorary Consul for the Republic of Uganda, Company Secretary of the African Professionals Association Limited, a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and a board member of the Australian Scholarships Foundation. Mr Cox was admitted to practice as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of NSW and the High Court of Australian in 1978.

Deepak-Raj Gupta - Independent Non-Executive Director

Mr Gupta is the President of the ACT Chapter. Mr Gupta has significant experience in both the private and public sector especially working with commonwealth agencies. Deepak is originally from India and has been living in Australia for the past 27 years. Deepak achieved his Bachelors from India and Grad Dip in Information Technology from Australia.

Mr Gupta is involved in the ACT community for the past 13 years in different capacities. Deepak's contribution to the ACT multicultural community and the business community has been noteworthy. Deepak's vision in promoting the multiculturalism has been significant. It was Deepak's initiative that saw a huge lift in the profile of the Indian community in Canberra and its surrounding areas. The Business event organised by Deepak has been of a very high standard, which usually attracts a quality gathering from both the Government and Business community.

Mr Gupta on numerous occasions has extended his assistance and help to the government-initiated programs, including economic environment and trade/economic policies/investment climate and on the new skill migration program by the government.

Deepak has been a member of Australia India Business Council (AIBC) for the past seven years. Deepak is one of the longest serving members of the AIBC National Board and as president of ACT Chapter has contributed significantly to AIBC's vision and its objectives in the ACT region.

Mr Gupta has led many business delegations to promote ACT and its products to the Indian market. Deepak was instrumental in organising the first visit by any ACT Chief Minister to India, led by former ACT Chief Minister Mr Jon Stanhope.

Another significant contribution is creating the "India in The City" segment in the National Multicultural Festival (NMF) showcasing India's vast cultural diversity and different cuisine from across India. The Indian segment is now one of the signature events in the NMF. Deepak has ensured that the standard and quality of this festival is of the highest standard. Deepak has been awarded the ACT Multicultural Advocate of the year.

Randeep Agarwal - Independent Non-Executive Director

Mr Agarwal is the President of the Queensland Chapter and joined the Board in January 2012. Mr Agarwal has more than 20 years experience in LNG/Gas industry, working with Woodside Energy, Shell and Origin Energy. Currently based and working in Brisbane.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

DIRECTORS QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITIES (continued)

Dr Adrian Vicary - Independent Non-Executive Director

Dr Vicary is the President of the South Australian Chapter and joined the Board in November 2012.

Dr Vicary has extensive experience in university senior management and governance, quality assurance and strategic planning in university and not for profit organisations, and in managing partnerships. He is an Adjunct Associate Professor at the University of South Australia, an Emeritus Fellow of the Association of Tertiary Education Management Inc, and a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Dr Vicary is a member of the South Australia India Advisory Council. He is also a member of the Board of the Nexus Multicultural Arts Centre in Adelaide.

Dr Vicary has a Bachelor of Arts, a Diploma in Education and a Master of Arts from the University of Adelaide, and a PhD from Flinders University of South Australia.

Ravi Bhatia – Independent Non-Executive Director

Mr Bahtia resigned 19 September 2014.

Omesh Motiwalla - Independent Non-Executive Director

Mr Motiwalla is the President of the Western Australia Chapter. Appointed 1 April 2014.

Mr Motiwalla is a Corporate Finance Partner in Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu and has over 15 years of experience in Big 4 firms in Australia. Mr Motiwalla has significant cross border experience and focuses on providing financial advisory and due diligence advice in relation to investments in major Australian resources companies and projects, as well as the middle market sector. Mr Motiwalla also spent two years with Deloitte Corporate Finance India from 2008 to 2010 where he worked largely on mining, oil and gas and infrastructure transactions. Mr Motiwalla has a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Finance and Accounting and is a Chartered Accountant.

Arun Sharma - Independent Non-Executive Director

Mr Sharma resigned 1 July 2015.

Peter O'Byrne - Independent Non-Executive Director

Mr O'Byrne resigned 30 May 2014.

Sanjay Bhartia – Independent Non-Executive Director

Sanjay Bhartia resigned 17 February 2014

Raja Venkateswar - Independent Non-Executive Director

Mr Venkateswar is the President of the New South Wales Chapter. Appointed 26 May 2015.

Mr Venkateswar is global management and technology leader with over 20 years of experience in building and leading teams, firms and competencies across several geographies and cultures. He has been an AIBC member for 5 years. His qualifications include Engineering (IIT), Advanced Management Program (IE Business School, Madrid), Global Strategic Management (Booth School of Business, Chicago University) and Part-time Research Scholar (University of Sydney). His current position is the Finance Director at ONGC – Program Director (QBE).

Mr Venkateswar has had a diverse career having worked with leading financial services institutions, global consulting firms, service providers, and as the founder/CTO of successful start-up firms. He has published over 50 white & thought papers, has served on the regional advisory board at IAOP (International Association of Outsourcing Professionals), has been nominated & voted as a thought leader at IQPC-SSON (World's largest forum for Shared services), was recognized as Australian IT Professional of the year, 2013 by an independent body and was a judge of the Student Innovation awards, 2013. Mr Venkateswar serves as an AIBC Board member, is on the Advisory Board on several start up IT firms and as Chair, ICT Chapter.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (continued)

OBJECTIVE AND STRATEGIES

(a) Short Term Objectives

The Company's short-term objectives are to:

- 1) Encourage Australian businesses to build successful trade with Indian companies
- 2) Encourage Indian businesses to develop successful trade with Australian companies
- 3) Organise activities which promote Australia/India business relationships and understanding

(b) Long Term Objectives

The Company's long-term objectives are to:

- 1) Promote trade between Australia and India
- 2) Promote understanding and cooperation between the business communities of Australia and India
- 3) Contribute to the development of bilateral business policies and relationships between Australia and India
- 4) Attract staff, contractors and volunteers who are committed to working for the promotion of trade between Australia and India
- 5) Delivery of events, trade connections, business services and programs to promote cooperation and business relationships between the business communities of Australia and India
- 6) Increasing the understanding and visibility in the community of the Australia/India trading relationship
- 7) Long term financial sustainability.

(c) Strategies for Achieving Short Term and Long Term Objectives

To achieve these objectives, the Company has adopted the following strategies:

- 1) Attract and retain staff and volunteers who are committed to working for the members and the community
- 2) Committed staff and volunteers will create new programs and maintain existing programs which will allow them to engage in continuous improvement for services and facilities.

Staff and volunteers strive to meet consistent standards of best practice and provide clear expectations of professional accountabilities to all stakeholders.

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PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE COMPANY AND HOW ASSISTED IN ACHIEVING THE COMPANY'S OBJECTIVES

The principal activities of the Company in the course of the financial year were those of a national based membership organisation that promotes trade between Australia and India. There has been no significant change in these activities during the year.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The company uses the following measures of its performance:

- Number of new members and % increase over previous year
- Number of retained members and % increase over previous year
- Number of total members and % increase over previous year
- Number of events totally sponsored which required no financial input and % increase over previous year
- National sponsorship revenue raised and % increase over the previous year
- State sponsorship revenue raised and % increase over the previous year.

The operations of the company during the financial year resulted in a loss after providing for income tax of \$24,156 (2013: loss of \$39,688).

EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO BALANCE DATE

No matter or circumstance has arisen since the end of the financial year that has significantly affected or may significantly affect the company's operations, the results of those operations or the company's state of affairs in financial years after the financial year.

MEMBERSHIP

The company had 433 members at year end. (2013: 496)

On a winding up of the company members would not be required to contribute.

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

A copy of the Auditor's Independence Declaration as required under Section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* given to the Directors by the lead auditor for the audit undertaken by HLB Mann Judd is included on page 7.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the board of directors.



**Dipen Rughani
Chairman**



**Con Livissianis
National Treasurer**

25 July 2015

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AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

To the Directors of Australia India Business Council Ltd:

As lead auditor for the audit of the financial report of Australia India Business Council Ltd for the year ended 31 December 2014, I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (a) the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- (b) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



**Sydney, NSW
24 July 2015**

**A G Smith
Partner**

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STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Revenue from continuing operations	2	375,192	375,946
Audit fees		(16,850)	(16,000)
Accounting fees		(4,000)	-
Bank charges, credit card fees & merchant fees		(7,001)	(7,613)
Event conduct venue expenses		(154,272)	(153,675)
Legal fees		(30,075)	(12,161)
Outside service providers fees		(30,904)	(60,249)
Telephone expenses		(2,474)	(3,533)
Printing & stationery expenses		(2,487)	(6,132)
Secretariat fees & office rent expenses		(80,211)	(89,128)
Sponsorship expenses		(108)	(1,513)
Taxi expenses		(7,307)	(4,054)
Travel & accommodation expenses		(37,033)	(32,300)
Website development expenses		(4,090)	(10,847)
Other expenses		(22,536)	(18,429)
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Profit/(loss) before income tax		(24,156)	(39,688)
Income tax benefit	8(b)	-	-
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Profit/(loss) after income tax		(24,156)	(39,688)
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Other comprehensive income		-	-
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Total comprehensive profit/(loss) for the year		(24,156)	(39,688)
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The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	167,731	114,173
Trade and other receivables	4	16,646	21,149
Other financial assets	5	666,122	668,997
Other assets		11,135	-
		<u>861,634</u>	<u>804,319</u>
Total current assets		861,634	804,319
Total assets		861,634	804,319
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	6	71,877	26,046
Other liabilities	7	104,621	68,981
		<u>176,498</u>	<u>95,027</u>
Total current liabilities		176,498	95,027
Total liabilities		176,498	95,027
Net assets		685,136	709,292
Equity			
Retained earnings		<u>685,136</u>	<u>709,292</u>
Total equity		685,136	709,292

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Retained Earnings \$
Balance at 1 January 2013	748,980
Total comprehensive profit/(loss) for the year	<u>(39,688)</u>
Balance at 31 December 2013	<u>709,292</u>
Balance at 1 January 2014	709,292
Total comprehensive profit/(loss) for the year	<u>(24,156)</u>
Balance at 31 December 2014	<u>685,136</u>

The above statement of changes in equity
should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

	Note	2014 \$	2013 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from members and customers		410,098	377,226
Interest received – cash at bank		718	406
Payments to suppliers		<u>(401,934)</u>	<u>(453,246)</u>
Net cash used in operating activities		<u>8,882</u>	<u>(75,614)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Transfer of funds from term deposit		<u>44,676</u>	<u>35,408</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>44,676</u>	<u>35,408</u>
Net (decrease) increase in cash held		53,558	(40,206)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		<u>114,173</u>	<u>154,379</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	3	<u><u>167,731</u></u>	<u><u>114,173</u></u>

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report covers Australia India Business Council Ltd (“the Company”) as an individual entity. The financial report is a general purpose financial report, which has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements, Australian Accounting Interpretations and the Corporations Act 2001. The financial report is prepared on a historical cost basis.

The preparation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements requires Directors and/or management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies on reported assets and liabilities, income and expenses. There are no areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements.

The significant accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in this financial report.

Comparative figures have been restated where necessary to enhance presentation of the financial report.

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the company in the preparation of the accounts:

(a) Statement of compliance with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements

Statement of Compliance

The financial report complies with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements as issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board. A statement of compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards cannot be made because of the adoption of Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements.

(b) Cash & cash equivalents and other financial assets

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and at call deposits with banks or financial institutions with original maturities of less than three months. Other financial assets consist of bank term deposits with an original maturity greater than three months.

(c) Trade and other receivables

All trade receivables are recognised at the amounts receivable as they are due for settlement no more than 30 days from the date of recognition. After initial recognition trade receivables are subsequently measured at amortised cost, less allowance for impairment.

Collectability of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible are written off. An allowance for impairment is raised where some doubt as to collection exists.

(d) Impairment of assets

Assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset’s carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the value in use of the asset. As the company is a not-for-profit entity the future economic benefits of an asset are not primarily dependent on the asset’s ability to generate net cash inflows. Therefore the value in use is the depreciated replacement cost of the asset.

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(e) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are carried at amortised cost and represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the company prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. The amounts disclosed are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

(f) Income tax

Income tax expense is calculated by applying the current income tax rate to the estimated taxable income for the year. The Company's taxable income is calculated by applying an estimated non-member percentage to mutual income and then adjusting for fully assessable and fully deductible items.

(g) Revenue recognition

(i) Membership revenue

Membership revenue is recorded in the period of which it relates. Any membership fees received in advance are taken to deferred revenue until the period for which the membership relates has occurred.

(ii) Sponsorship revenue

Sponsorship revenue is recognised in the period of which it relates. Any sponsorship revenue received in advance is taken to deferred revenue until the period for which the sponsorship relates has occurred.

(iii) Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised as earned.

(iv) Event revenue

Event revenue is recognised once the respective event has occurred. Any event revenue received in advance is taken to deferred revenue until the period during which the event occurs.

(v) Other revenue

Revenue from other sources is recognised when the respective services have been performed.

(h) Goods and services tax

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office (ATO). In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

Receivables and payables are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from or payable to the ATO is included as a current asset or liability in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis.

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	2014	2013
	\$	\$
2. REVENUE		
Revenue from continuing operations		
- Membership fee revenue	127,979	158,863
- Event revenue	117,157	104,804
- Sponsorship revenue	102,418	77,164
- Sundry revenue	150	-
- Interest revenue	27,488	35,115
	<u>375,192</u>	<u>375,946</u>
	<u>375,192</u>	<u>375,946</u>
3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Current		
Cash at bank – National	47,073	12,923
Cash at bank – NSW	31,390	10,260
Cash at bank – ACT	42,225	46,175
Cash at bank – VIC	7,476	6,944
Cash at bank – QLD	31,254	24,918
Cash at bank – SA	2,930	8,718
Cash at bank – WA	5,166	4,018
Cash at bank – Other	217	217
	<u>167,731</u>	<u>114,173</u>
	<u>167,731</u>	<u>114,173</u>
4. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
Current		
Trade receivables	16,180	165
Interest receivable	466	15,497
Other receivables	-	5,487
	<u>16,646</u>	<u>21,149</u>
	<u>16,646</u>	<u>21,149</u>
5. OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Current		
Term deposit	<u>666,122</u>	<u>668,997</u>
Term deposit is bearing a fixed interest rate of 3.65% (2013: 4.45%)		
6. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES		
Current		
Trade payables and other accruals	41,563	26,046
Trade payables and other accruals – related parties	30,314	-
	<u>71,877</u>	<u>26,046</u>
	<u>71,877</u>	<u>26,046</u>

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	2014	2013
	\$	\$
7. OTHER LIABILITIES		
Current		
Deferred membership revenue	72,573	68,981
Deferred sponsorship revenue	20,000	-
Deferred event revenue	12,048	-
	<u>104,621</u>	<u>68,981</u>

8. INCOME TAX

(a) Income tax expense

Income tax expense differs from the amount of income tax that would be payable by the Company if its taxable income for the year was equal to the profit for the year. The principal reason for this difference is that the Company is liable for income tax on the portion of its operating profit deemed to be attributable to non-members.

All of the income tax expense relates to current tax.

(b) Numerical reconciliation of income tax expense to prima facie tax payable

Profit (loss) before income tax expense	(24,156)	(39,688)
Tax @ the Australian tax rate of 30%	(7,247)	(11,906)
Impact of non-member revenue and expenses which are accessible	8,753	12,946
Deferred tax assets not recognised	-	(1,040)
Other	(1,506)	-
Income tax expense (credit)	-	-

9. LIMITATION BY GUARANTEE

Australia India Business Council Ltd is a company limited by guarantee. The company's constitution provides that every member of the company does not need to contribute an amount in the event of the company being wound up during the time of membership or within one year afterwards.

At 31 December 2014 there were 433 members (2013: 496 members) and the amount that could be called up in the event of, and for the purpose of, a winding up was \$nil (2013: \$nil).

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10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The names of the Directors in office during the year are listed in the Directors' report.

All Directors acted in an honorary capacity during the year.

Key Management Personnel

Other than the directors, there were no other key management personnel during the year ended 31 December 2014.

Other Related Party Transactions

- (i) During the year the following amounts (GST inclusive) were paid to entities associated with directors of the company:

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
Office rent and other reimbursed expenses	3,869	3,348
Accounting services	4,400	-
Legal services and other reimbursed expenses	36,649	-

- (ii) During the year the following amounts (GST inclusive) were receipted from entities associated with directors of the company:

Membership fee revenue	550	-
Event revenue	1,925	3,300

- (iii) There were no balances owing by any related parties to the company at 31 December 2014 (2013 \$nil).
- (iv) An amount of \$30,314 was owing to a related party by the company at 31 December 2014 (2013 \$nil).

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

11. CONTINGENT ASSETS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

During the year and subsequent to year end the company incurred legal expenses in relation to legal proceedings with former members of the company in the Victorian Supreme Court. The claim of these members was dismissed by the Court and costs awarded in favour of the defendants, being directors of the Company. At the date of this financial report the Company has incurred approximately \$25,000 of legal fees in relation to these proceedings. As stated the defendants were awarded costs in the proceedings, meaning they are entitled to recover their costs against the plaintiffs, subject to taxation. The defendants are required to have their costs claim taxed by the Victorian Supreme Court. It is currently proceeding to do so. As a general rule, the Court will tax costs at about 70% of the costs incurred. Once a Certificate of Taxation issues the company is entitled to recover such costs against the plaintiffs in this matter. If there is a deficiency in the cost amount as taxed and the actual amount incurred, the company may make a claim against its insurer (subject to confirmatory advice from its lawyers), provided that the deductible did not make this process commercially unrealistic.

At year end, the plaintiffs in the dismissed action, have sought to amend their statement of claim to remove the directors of the company as defendants and replace them with the Company. The Company objects to this request. The plaintiffs have reduced their claim to two (2) issues which relate to the revocation of membership of one of the plaintiff's and the legitimacy of the board election held in Victoria in 2013.

At the date of this financial report, the Company is expecting to defend any amended proceedings, assuming the plaintiffs succeed in getting consent from the Court to amend their pleadings. The Company has sought a stay of proceedings until the plaintiffs pay the defendants costs. In the event that legal proceedings continue in relation to the amended claims, it is not possible to estimate the amount of any payments or receipts which may be incurred or received by the Company, at the date of this report.

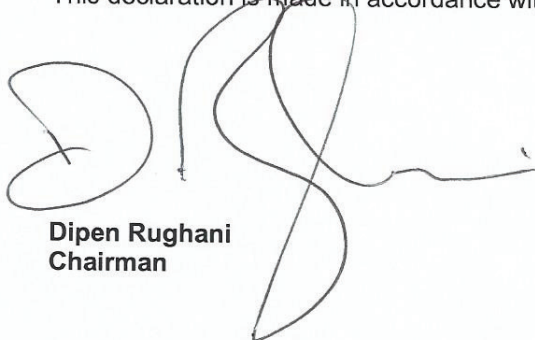
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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

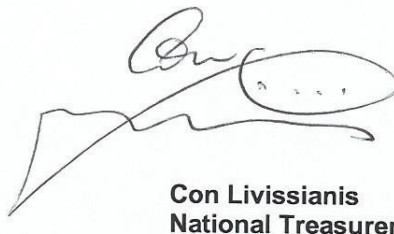
In the directors' opinion:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 8 to 17 are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
- (i) complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*; and
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2014 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors.



Dipen Rughani
Chairman



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National Treasurer

Dated this 25th day of July 2015

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Australia India Business Council Ltd:

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Australia India Business Council Ltd ("the company"), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2014, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the directors' declaration, for the company.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the company's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

Our audit did not involve an analysis of the prudence of business decisions made by directors or management.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001*. We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, given to the directors of the company on 24 July 2014, would be in the same terms if provided to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

Basis for Qualified Opinion – Victorian State Chapter Results and Related Party Transactions

The statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows and statement of changes in equity include the results of the Victorian State Chapter, which forms part of the company.

The Directors have not been able to provide us with complete accounting records for the results of the Victorian State Chapter. As a result we have not been able to obtain sufficient, appropriate audit evidence in relation to the following balances included in the financial statements of the company:

	2014 \$
Statement profit and loss and other comprehensive income	
<i>Revenue from continuing operations:</i>	
Event revenue	10,205
Sponsorship revenue	12,000
Interest revenue	3
	22,208
<i>Expenditure</i>	
Bank charges, credit card fees and merchant fees	474
Event conduct expenses	21,614
Phone expenses	464
Printing and stationary expenses	499
Sponsorship expenses	108
Taxi expenses	466
Travel and accommodation expenses	700
Other expenses	1,807
	(3,924)
Profit/(Loss) before income tax	(3,924)
Income tax expense	-
	(3,924)
Statement of financial position	
<i>Cash and cash equivalents:</i>	
Cash at bank - VIC	7,476
	7,476
Statement of cash flows	
<i>Cash flows from operating activities:</i>	
<i>Receipts from members and customers</i>	24,426
Interest received – cash at bank	3
Payments to suppliers	(23,911)
	518
Statement of changes in equity	
Total comprehensive profit/(loss) for the year	(3,924)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

***Basis for Qualified Opinion – Victorian State Chapter Results and Related Party Transactions
(Continued)***

Consequently, we were unable to determine whether any adjustments to:

- i. any of the items included in the financial statements noted above, and/or
- ii. any other transactions in relation to the Victorian State Chapter that may have occurred but have not been recorded in the financial statements of the Company,

were necessary.

In addition to the matters above, we have not been able to obtain sufficient, appropriate audit evidence regarding related party transactions in relation to the Victorian State Chapter. Consequently we were unable to determine whether related party disclosures recorded in note 10 to the financial statements were complete.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effects on the financial statements of the matters referred to in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial report of Australia India Business Council Ltd is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2014 and its performance for the year ended on that date; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.



**HLB Mann Judd
Chartered Accountants**

**Sydney, NSW
28 July 2015**



**A G Smith
Partner**