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Stephen Walker holds the position of Executive Director at the Australian Research Council (ARC). He is responsible for competitive funding for research and research training in the discipline areas of Engineering and Environmental Sciences, and also coordinates the ARC Linkage-Projects scheme, funding collaborative research and research training between University-based researchers and Partner Organisations from industry and government, across all discipline areas. Prior to this position, he has conducted and managed research for many years in a wide range of fields including atmospheric and oceanographic plume dispersion, medical physics (electrocardiology), remote sensing, coastal oceanography and coastal eutrophication. He has extensive experience in applied collaborative research, in conjunction with Government agencies, utilities, and private industry. He has been a member of the UNESCO Global Ocean Observing System Coastal Panel, and has extensive experience in the conduct and management of comprehensive, cross-disciplinary, coastal environmental studies. In 1996 he shared in the award of the CSIRO Chairman's medal, awarded to the management team of the Port Phillip Bay environmental Study. He has a BSc (Hons) in Physics from the University of Sydney and a PhD in Medicine from the University of Tasmania.

