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Southern Gulf NRM Announces New Chairperson

Southern Gulf NRM is pleased to announce the appointment of Professor Iain Gordon as the new Chairperson, following the retirement of Megan Munchenberg, who has served with dedication in the role.

Iain brings a wealth of experience, particularly in the human/environment interface. He currently serves as an Honorary Professor at the Australian National University, focusing on biodiversity management, ecosystem services in agricultural landscapes, and community engagement in conservation efforts.

With a PhD from the University of Cambridge in 1986, Iain's career spans over four decades of interdisciplinary research across five continents. He has authored more than 250 papers in international peer-reviewed journals and published ten books, with an eleventh currently in progress.

His research covers a diverse range of topics, including livestock nutrition and health, ecology of natural ecosystems, grazing management for environmental outcomes, and community-based conservation initiatives.

In the past Iain has worked for CSIRO as Officer-in-Charge of the Townsville Lab and was a Deputy Vice Chancellor at James Cook University. He was also the founding CEO and Director of the James Hutton Institute in Scotland.

Southern Gulf NRM looks forward to the leadership and expertise Iain will bring to the organisation as it continues its mission to support sustainable natural resource management in the region.

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Southern Gulf is the Natural Resource Management organisation for the Southern Gulf region of north west Queensland. We work with the community to deliver projects that improve and protect our region's natural resources and to maintain the prosperity of industries that rely on these. The Southern Gulf water catchment region includes all the land whose creeks and rivers run into the southern Gulf of Carpentaria. This encompasses an area of 215,000km square^2.