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# A message from our President Director

Tetsu Murayama

President Director INPEX Australia

It is hard to believe close to two years have passed since ex-Tropical Cyclone Ellie brought a one-in-100-year level of flooding to the Kimberley region causing devastation in Fitzroy Crossing and neighbouring communities.

Remarkable efforts by recovery teams and the people of the Kimberley to rebuild flood-damaged communities have been ongoing and I am inspired by the continued dedication to revitalising and strengthening affected communities for the future.

INPEX is pleased to have delivered A\$1 million in funding to support relief and recovery programs. The funding has contributed to essential flood repair and future-proofing work for the Mangkaja Arts Resource Agency, a solar power and water storage project for the Marninwarntikura Women's Resource Centre, and the construction of a splash park as part of a new youth precinct the Shire of Derby-West Kimberley is constructing in Fitzroy Crossing.

With Ichthys LNG's expected operational life of 40 years, we are proud to be partnering with the Kimberley region for decades to come.

A sustained development drilling campaign of almost five years has benefitted from significant logistics support through Broome, particularly through the airport, port and supply base.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the people and businesses of Broome, and across the Kimberley, for your continued collaboration and support for our activities in the region.

We are actively working to produce ever-cleaner energy by decarbonising Ichthys LNG. We see carbon capture and storage (CCS) as a safe and proven technology to support global net zero by 2050. You can learn more about the INPEX-led Bonaparte CCS appraisal activities by visiting our website, [www.inpex.com.au](http://www.inpex.com.au).

Natural gas remains our core business and plays a crucial role in underpinning Indo-Pacific energy security. We are also proudly diversifying our energy mix by investing in renewable energy power generation - including wind and solar initiatives - across Australia with our 50 per cent stake in Enel Green Power Australia.

Importantly, in our commitment to providing safe and sustainable energy, we understand local community support is core to achieving this. We greatly appreciate everyone's support again this year and look forward to continued opportunities to enable positive outcomes in the Kimberley region.

**Tetsu Murayama,**  
President Director INPEX Australia

## Broome PCYC commuter van sponsorship

We were delighted to sponsor Broome PCYC earlier this year to enable the purchase of a smart new commuter van.

The new van is supporting PCYC staff with the pick-up and drop-off of young people attending safeSPACE™ sessions at the Centre, as well as excursions. Until recently, youth workers at the Centre spent several hours a day transporting students to and from sessions.

"The new van provides the Centre a much-needed resource," Centre Manager Claire Gregory said.

"Offering inclusive and accessible transport for local young people is a vital part of safeSPACE™ and other PCYC programs.

"We are incredibly grateful to INPEX for your valuable support of PCYC's work in the Broome community."

INPEX General Manager Corporate Affairs, Jodie Wesley, recently visited PCYC and said, "INPEX is extremely proud to help the Centre's amazing team deliver their important programs and services".



The new Broome PCYC commuter van dropping off participants at PCYC.

## Engaging in the community

### Supporting tomorrow's talent

#### West Kimberley Careers Expo

The West Kimberley Careers Expo's momentum continued strong this year.

Our team members from corporate, logistics, and offshore operations had a great time engaging with students, jobseekers, teachers and parents about the various career paths at INPEX and the exciting contributions to be made in the energy industry.

At INPEX, we're dedicated to supporting the next generation in building long-term careers in the energy sector.

"It is always rewarding to engage with students and share insights into our industry and the kind of opportunities that exist within it," Viivi Colum, INPEX Stakeholder Engagement Advisor said.

With Ichthys LNG projected to operate across 40 years, we are committed to maintaining a skilled workforce to support our business activities well into the future. Our goal is to inspire young people to consider a career with INPEX or within the broader energy industry.

#### Futures Forum

We were also pleased to participate together with our helicopter services contractor, PHI Aviation, in the Stars Foundation 'Futures Forum', which connected year 11 and 12 participants of their Broome Senior High School program to local organisations who could provide more information on the types of jobs and ATAR and VET career pathways in their industries.



Our INPEX team at the 2024 West Kimberley Careers Expo.



INPEX and PHI Aviation personnel participated at the Stars Foundation 2024 Broome Futures Forum.

### Connecting with the business community

In 2024, we were pleased to come together with the business community through sponsorship and participation at several regional business events including the Women's Leadership Forum, Commercial Growth and Investment Forum, Kimberley Economic Forum and Love Broome Business Awards.

INPEX General Manager Logistics, Brooke Kempton presented at the Commercial Growth and Investment Forum in May, where he emphasised Broome's crucial role in supporting Ichthys LNG since its inception in 1998.

"We will be continuing our activities through Broome for many years to come. We take great pride in our collaboration with the Broome community and businesses, which is essential for the sustained success of our operations," Brooke said.

From transporting workers to our offshore facilities located 450 kilometres from Broome, the moving of materials and equipment through the port, as well as supporting medevac and search and rescue throughout the Kimberley region, key collaborators – such as Broome International Airport and Heliport, Djarindjin Aboriginal Corporation, and PHI Aviation – remain integral to supporting our safe and efficient operations.

The forum successfully showcased the region's economic potential and fostered valuable connections between businesses, government representatives, and industry professionals.



INPEX General Manager Logistics, Brooke Kempton presenting at the Commercial Growth and Investment Forum 2024.



## Community investment

INPEX proudly supports local community investment activities contributing to social vibrancy and economic resilience.

Our community partnerships supporting longer term social value creation in Broome and the broader region include:

- Broome Chamber of Commerce and Industry's (BCCI), 'Get Funded' capacity-building program under the Kimberley Business Network (refer page 5);
- The Kids Research Institute Australia (formerly Telethon Kids Institute), in support of Aboriginal community researcher capacity building across the Kimberley region;
- Stars Foundation, with support for the Broome Senior High School mentoring program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander girls and young women;
- Nyamba Buru Yawuru, supporting the 'Mangayin – Encouraging Excellence' youth scholarship fund.

In addition, in 2024 we were proud to sponsor and engage in community events and programs including:

- Broome PCYC commuter van purchase
- St Martin de Porres School design and technology program equipment
- Women's Leadership Forum
- Broome Youth Skate Festival
- West Kimberley Career Expo
- Commercial Growth and Investment Forum
- Reconciliation Week Markets
- Kullarri NAIDOC Festival
- Kimberley Art and Photographic Prize
- A Taste of Broome Festival
- Kimberley Economic Forum
- Love Broome Business Awards
- Nirrumbuk Elders Forum
- Broome Christmas Party/Artist in Residence Program



Broome Youth Skate Festival.



A Taste of Broome – Raised in Big Spirit Country.  
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Mangayin Encouraging Excellence scholar, Daijon (DJ) Puertollano.



Love Broome 2024 Business Awards. Image credit: Abby Murray Photography, Broome Chamber of Commerce & Industry.



*Local footy is a winner thanks to BCCI's Get Funded program. Photo credit: Broome Chamber of Commerce & Industry.*

# 'Get Funded'

## Building capacity for local business and community organisations

Local business is a key pillar of INPEX's community investment framework, where we aim to identify and support initiatives to help local businesses grow, become more sustainable, and ultimately, thrive.

To this end, in 2021, INPEX-led Ichthys Joint Venture established its first community partnership in the region with the Broome Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI). That foundation partnership supported the establishment of the 'Grow Local' initiative which has since evolved into the Kimberley Business Network (KBN).

We have continued to support initiatives under the KBN banner, most recently BCCI's 'Get Funded' program.

Introduced this year, 'Get Funded' aims to connect local businesses, not-for-profit and community organisations with funding and grant opportunities, and support their success in applying for online funding via a finder portal, grant planning workshops and one-on-one access to a business advisor to support grant applications.

BCCI Chief Executive Officer, Sharni Foulkes, said the inspiration for 'Get Funded' arose from challenges faced by community members in Broome and the West Kimberley, which have hindered the growth of their organisations and their ability to service the community.

"Through BCCI activities and engagement, it became clear that local organisations are often not aware of grants and funding opportunities," Sharni said. "Or perhaps, they didn't know how to apply for the funding, or may not have had a strong application."

"We proposed the 'Get Funded' program to INPEX as a capacity-building initiative as we felt our team of advisors – with business and financial capacity-building expertise – could both inform members and organisations in the broader community about eligible funding opportunities and support the application process for relevant grants," Sharni said.

BCCI seeks to assist the whole community by making 'Get Funded' available to any organisation operating in the Shire of Broome and by engaging male and female staff to deliver services in a culturally appropriate way for a diverse range of participants.

Since the program commenced, about 28 organisations – both small businesses and community groups – are accessing support.

Available to all organisations, the online grant finder portal captures all grants relevant to organisations in the Shire's postcodes and funnels them into one manageable and easy-to-use portal.

As portal administrator, BCCI reported the key searches to date have been for grants supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, art, women, solar and other energy, and innovation concepts.

One organisation that has reported success through the program is the West Kimberley Football League (WKFL), which previously relied on funding generated through membership fees and low-level fundraising to support and coordinate all football activities in that region.

WKFL has been able to enhance support of their members (local football clubs) by participating in 'Get Funded', which led to its successful application across multiple grants for a total A\$80,000 going towards awards sponsorship, clinics and workshops.

WKFL President, Alex Carkeek, reported the grant funding has allowed the organisation to improve its service delivery and be a more sustainable organisation.

"The 'Get Funded' program and support from BCCI were really instrumental to us to secure those funds. We also feel we're better prepared to apply for and secure funding in the future," Alex said.

INPEX is delighted by the results achieved by the program to date and look forward to supporting 'Get Funded' into the next phase.





Dianne with her award at the Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia 2024 Women in Resources Awards night.

# Our people

## Dianne Deegan

INPEX Offshore Operations Technician, Dianne Deegan received the Outstanding Operator Award at The Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia 2024 Women in Resources Awards.

The ceremony, now in its 15th year, brought together over 1,000 people at the Perth Exhibition and Convention Centre. From 144 nominations, Dianne emerged as one of the 18 finalists across six categories.

A Nykina woman from the Kimberley region, Dianne overcame early challenges to become a trailblazer in the resources sector. Entering the male-dominated mining sector in her 30s, Dianne shattered stereotypes to become Australia's first female Aboriginal open-crane operator.

Transitioning to offshore operations, she joined INPEX through the 'Solid Pathways Program', making history as the company's first female Service Technician.


Beyond her professional achievements, Dianne mentors young women and uses her passion for the arts to address societal issues. She serves as a stellar example for all aspiring tradespeople.



Dianne at work offshore on our floating production, storage and offloading (FPSO) facility - 'Ichthys Venturer'.



Ichthys Venturer at sea.



***Thank you to everyone in the Kimberley who supports INPEX's activities, we look forward to continuing to work alongside you into the future. We are proud to be a part of the Kimberley, supporting positive outcomes in the region.***





### Further information

Read more about our business and community engagement activities in the Kimberley region by scanning this QR code.

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Back cover: Broome coastal aerial.

### Community enquiries

Please contact us with any enquiries or questions on **1800 705 010** or **[enquiries@inpex.com.au](mailto:enquiries@inpex.com.au)**

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