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## What's Next....



The ACSS selects delegates on the 4th of September and will be providing them with various materials in preparation for the Summit.



Further comments from our Hub Coordinators on how they are working to improve the ACSS.



More sponsor and mentor reveals.





# Team Spotlight



**DARLENE ROWLANDS**

HEAD OF MARKETING  
& COMMUNICATIONS

Darlene is in her third year of a Bachelor of Political Science with a strong interest in the intersection between security issues, journalism and law. She is also currently an editor at ANU Observer. This year, she is looking forward to utilizing her interests to advance and solidify ACSS' online presence and strong reputation amongst university students across the country.



**ANGUS BROOKS**

HEAD TECHNOLOGY  
OFFICER

Originally from Victoria, Angus is a fourth year student at the Australian National University, studying a Bachelor of International Security Studies and a Bachelor of Commerce. Angus has a keen interest in international business operations & strategy, as well as crisis management and business continuity.





# Comment from Industry Mentor



**DANIEL LIDDELL**

SENIOR MANAGER  
OPERATIONAL RESILIENCE  
AT COMMBANK

Daniel Liddell is the General Manager of Business Resilience for the Commonwealth Bank of Australia with responsibility for crisis management and business continuity working with all parts of the Group, including its subsidiaries in Indonesia and New Zealand, as well as its international offices across the globe. Daniel and his team work to that ensure that the Group can anticipate, prepare for and respond to significant disruption events from natural disasters, technology outages or cyber security issues.

Daniel has over 14 years practical experience in similar roles at Origin Energy and Qantas Airlines, and prior to this was an Australian Army officer serving on multiple overseas deployments and supporting counter-terrorism security operations. He is proud to have been a mentor supporting the Australian Crisis Simulation Summit since its inception in 2020, working with the executive to advise on the development of scenarios, as well as mentoring delegates during the event. In 2022, he will be joined by colleagues from the Commonwealth Bank's Crisis Management and Cyber Resilience teams in supporting the Summit. They are all looking forward to supporting another successful Summit in December!



# Developing the ACSS through our Hub Coordinators



**TUTTI COPPING**  
HUB COORDINATOR  
SYDNEY

The 2022 iteration of the ACSS provides a unique opportunity to expand the reach of the program, beyond its Canberra roots. The in-person nature of the Sydney Hub presents an exciting opportunity for Sydney based scholars and experts in the field to meaningfully engage and interact with the work that the ACSS does.

As a Hub Coordinator, I am looking forward to prioritising and focusing on ensuring the delegates of the Sydney Hub walk away from Summit week with core skills they can implement in their current and future work. From team building exercises, to critical analysis of contemporary issues of national security, I am excited to enhance and build upon the experiences that have been implemented for delegates in the past.

The ACSS is a unique and rewarding opportunity that provides students with a first-hand experience on how to resolve the type of national security issues that may be seen in the real-world. Although challenging, simulations prepare delegates for stepping into the workforce by building upon a delegate's leadership, adaptability, teamwork and communication skills.

This year, the ACSS will also focus on building a stronger sense of community by fostering connections and providing delegates with a large network that can be drawn upon in the future. The ability to conduct Hubs in each city via in-person meetings, will ensure networking and professional connections are formed.

The ACSS is an opportunity like no other, as it allows delegates to enrich their studies, expands career choices and more deeply exposes them to the international security discipline.

A highlight of the ACSS is hearing from experts, leaders and academics from their respective fields. A unique aspect to the ACSS that delegates would not regularly have access to within their traditional studies.



**JESSICA WALTERS**  
HUB COORDINATOR  
MELBOURNE



# Our 2022 Sponsors

This year, we are honoured to be partnering with a wide range of organisations. Together, our partners provide a combination of financial, marketing and logistical support as well as mentorship to confidently deliver the Australian Crisis Simulation Summit. These three are just a few of the many amazing partners we have for the 2022 Summit.

## Commonwealth Bank of Australia

The Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) is one of our major partners this year. As well as their generous financial contributions, they also provide us with helpful mentorship in working closely with our crisis writing team to develop our crisis simulations. CBA members will also be involved in our panel discussions taking place during the Summit week.



## ANU College of Law

The ANU College of Law has been a proud supporter of the Australian Crisis Simulation Summit since planning for the inaugural summit commenced in late 2019. This support has included direct financial support of around \$75,000 and significant in-kind support of at least \$100,000. This in-kind support came in the form of free venue hire of significant spaces including the Moot Court, logistical support from Professional staff and content advice from College Academic staff. The College continues to see the real benefits provided when students get the opportunity to take lessons from the classroom and apply to some of the most pressing potential challenges of our future.



## Cyber CX

CyberCX Australia is one of Australia's leading full-service cyber security consultancy. Cyber CX are a silver tier sponsor for the ACSS this year, offering us generous financial support. CyberCX will also be partaking in our Virtual Careers Fair this year and be providing mentorship for our Domestic Simulation



## Want to be involved in the ACSS 2022?

We are always looking for new partners and mentors to join our team. If you would like to know more about how you can get involved in the ACSS 2022 you can email us at [acss@anu.edu.au](mailto:acss@anu.edu.au) and we will be in touch with a sponsorship prospectus.





# A message from CyberCX



## CyberCX

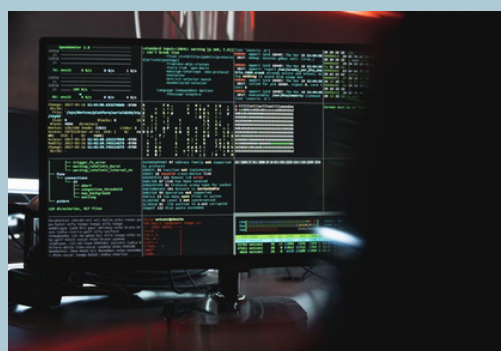
CyberCX is Australia and New Zealand's leading provider of professional cyber security services. With a workforce of over 1,200 professionals, CyberCX helps private and public sector organisations realise the opportunity of improved cyber security in an increasingly complex and challenging threat environment.

Following the success of last year's Australian Crisis Simulation Summit, CyberCX is proud to continue its support in 2022 with Silver sponsorship plus support in the form of role players and mentors for the Domestic Crisis Simulation.

Experts from CyberCX's Cyber Intelligence, Strategy and Consulting, and Digital Forensics and Incident Response teams will lend a hand during the week of the Summit, including Chief Strategy Officer (and Australia's former national cyber security adviser) Alastair MacGibbon and Director of Cyber Intelligence and Public Policy, Katherine Mansted.

CyberCX is keen to engage with initiatives focusing on tackling the future challenges to Australia's national security interests. The ACSS empowers students to consider how they can best utilise their talents and experience to consider cyber security, domestic threats and crisis response challenges, solve problems, and collectively secure our communities by being prepared as the next generation of Australian national security leaders.

Find out more at [www.cybercx.com.au](http://www.cybercx.com.au)





# What's Next....

## Preparing the the 2022 delegates for the Summit

On September the 4th delegates will receive acceptance letters. From here the ACSS will start to gear them up for the Summit. This will entail providing them with a range of informative materials including:

1. The first episode of our podcast series that draws upon expert opinions to discuss modern day security challenges will be released early next month.
2. Monthly newsletters will provide delegates with the ACSS' recommended sources of analysis, ranging from favourite news outlets to social media pages.
3. Delegates will also be provided with pre-readings to ensure they are prepared to grapple with the type of issues the Summit will pose.



## Progressing the ACSS through Hub Coordinator workshops

Next month we will continue to catch up with our Hub Coordinators from across the country to discuss what they are looking forward to about this year's Summit and how they are looking to build the experience for delegates in their respective hubs around Australia.

## More sponsor and mentor reveals!

As we count down the month's to December, we will aim to bring on board more mentors and sponsor's for this years Summit.

Again, we are always looking for new partners and mentors to join our team. So if you would like to know more about how you can get involved in the ACSS 2022 send us an email at [acss@anu.edu.au](mailto:acss@anu.edu.au) and we will be in touch with a sponsorship prospectus.