

Dr Kerry Schott

Ms Schott has held significant leadership roles in a variety of business and government organisations. At present she is the Project Director for the NSW Treasury managing the sale of government owned electricity generating capacity. Kerry Schott is highly regarded by those in both the corporate and government sectors.

*Honorary Doctor of Science in Economics
Conferring ceremony: 5.00pm, 1 November 2014.*

Citation

Chancellor, it gives me great pleasure to present Dr Kerry Schott to you for admission to the degree of Doctor of Science in Economics (honoris causa).

Dr Kerry Schott is chair of the Moorebank Intermodal Company Ltd; a director of NBN Co, TCorp Board in New South Wales, and Infrastructure Australia; and a member of the Macquarie University Council and the Whitlam Institute Board.

Dr Kerry Schott's intellectual abilities and expertise have led to her being appointed to key advisory positions for the Australian Government. She completed her role as CEO of the Commission of Audit for the New South Wales Government early in 2012. Previously, she was managing director and CEO of Sydney Water from 2006 to 2011. Currently, she is advising New South Wales Treasury on the sale of the government-owned electricity generating plants, following a similar role on the sale and lease of the Sydney desalination plant in 2012.

Dr Kerry Schott spent 15 years as an investment banker, including as managing director of Deutsche Bank and executive vice-president of Bankers Trust Australia. During this time she specialised in privatisation, restructuring, and infrastructure provision.

She holds a doctorate from Oxford University, a Master of Arts from the University of British Columbia, Vancouver and a Bachelor of Arts (first-class honours) from the University of New England. She has held academic positions at the University College London, Oxford University and has been a visiting professor at Princeton University.

Previously, Dr Kerry Schott was chair of the Water Services Association of Australia, as well as the New South Wales Environment Protection Authority. She was chair of the New South Wales Film and Television Office, Director of the Film Finance Corporation Limited and Director of Australian Airlines Limited. She has also been a member of the Corporations and Securities Panel and a Trade Practices Commissioner.

Dr Kerry Schott is an esteemed investment banker and highly regarded business leader in both the corporate and government sectors.

Chancellor, I present Dr Kerry Schott to you for admission to the degree of Doctor of Science in Economics (honoris causa), and I invite you to confer the degree upon her.