2023 AARES Distinguished Fellow

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Gavan Dwyer is an Associate Director of Marsden Jacob Associates and leads its Agriculture and Resource Practice. In that role Gavan has consulted to government and industries for 10 years on a wide array of issues at national, state and regional levels.

He is a sought-after advisor to CEOs, Boards and the highest levels of Government on agriculture and resource economic issues and policy design.

Some areas of interest and focus have included dairy industry economics, RDE program design and performance, productivity analysis, water policy and social impact assessment and optimal design of biosecurity programs.

Prior to joining Marsden Jacobs, Gavan held senior positions in the Victorian Department of Primary Industries as Chief Economist and Executive Director of Policy Services and Natural Resource Policy.

This had followed a long career in the Productivity Commission where Gavan led research in water and natural resources markets. Early in his career Gavan worked for ABARE on issues in the coal and nuclear industries.

Gavan has held a variety of positions with AARES. He is a Past President and Treasurer of AARES, was Victorian Branch President for 15 years and Federal Councillor for many years.

Gavan holds an Honours Degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of New England and a Masters Degree in Agricultural Science from the University of Melbourne.