



Indigenous Governance & Best Practice: Australia



Introducing the AIGI

The Australian Indigenous Governance Institute (AIGI) is a unique Indigenous led national centre of governance knowledge and excellence. We know that practically effective and culturally legitimate governance is the staple building block for delivering real change.

**“Good governance is perhaps the single most important factor in
eradicating poverty and promoting development”**

Kofi Annan

We connect Indigenous Australians to world-class governance practice, inform effective policy, provide accessible research, disseminate stories that celebrate outstanding success and solutions, and deliver professional education and training programs.



Our Vision

The Australian Indigenous Governance Institute envision a future Australia where Indigenous nations can pursue and exercise their right to self-determination and economic development through strong self-governance.



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Cultural Governance



Indigenous Governance Awards

The AIGI collaborates with Reconciliation Australia and funded through BHP Foundation on the Indigenous Governance Awards. The awards are open to incorporated and non-incorporated Indigenous led organisations Australia wide.

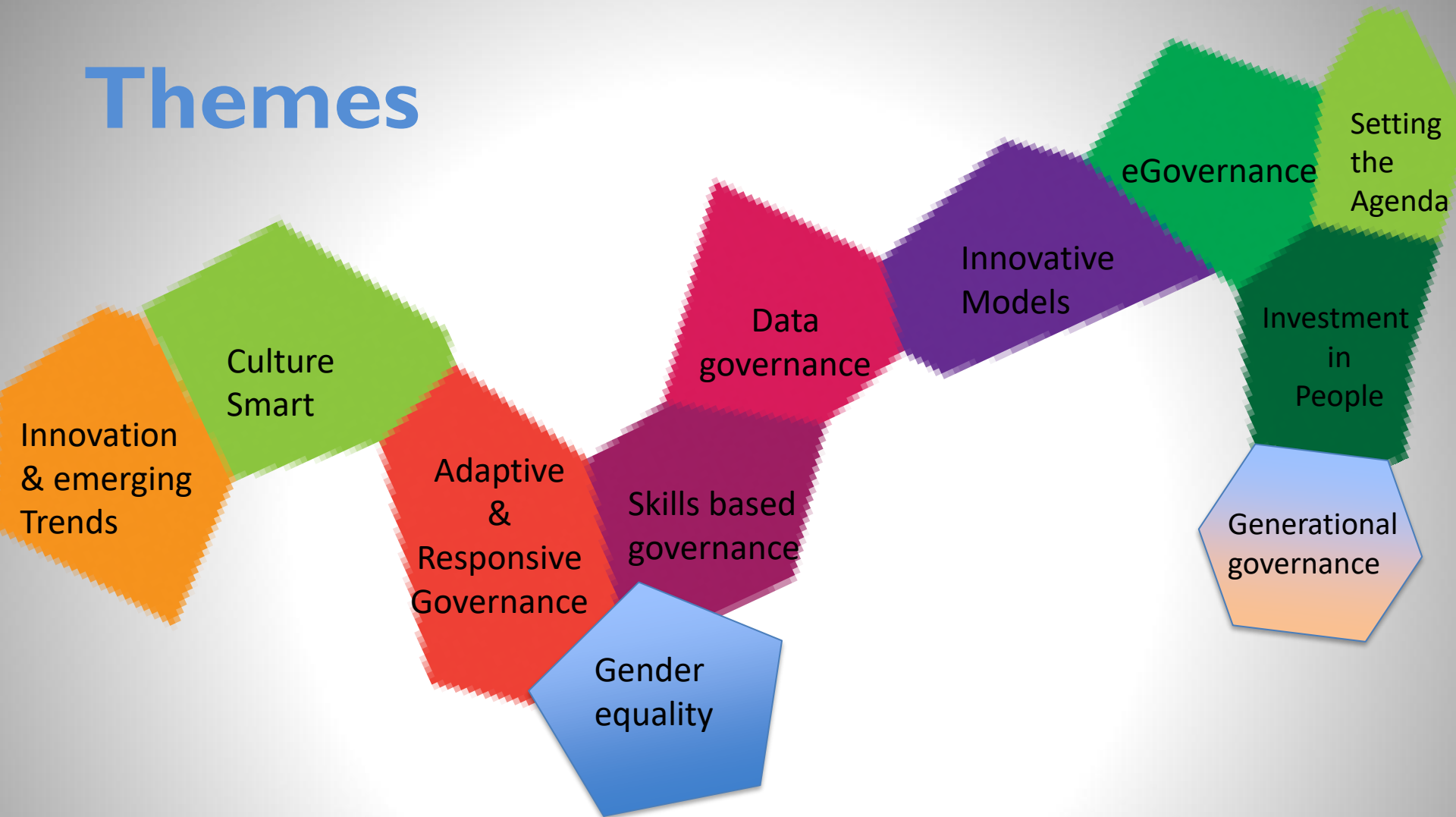
AIGI is involved in various ways including, shortlisting applications, judging panel, IGA Analysis (identify key themes), workshop, development of Tools and resources.

5 key areas of focus,

Innovation; Effectiveness; Cultural legitimacy and Relevance;
Self-determination and Leadership; Sustainability.



Themes





QYAC



IGA Finalist



Finalists 2016

“We recognise that the journey to recovery and self-determination will only be successful if we incorporate a great, and real appreciation for our cultural traditions and beliefs. We create and structure our working environment and programs around Indigenous knowledges and worldviews”

**Marninwarntikura Fitzroy
Women’s Resource Centre**



Indigenous Governance Toolkit

The Indigenous Governance Toolkit (the Toolkit) is a freely accessible multi-media online resource developed for Indigenous nations, communities, individuals and organisations searching for information to assist their work in building governance. The Toolkit places culture at the heart of understanding and building Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and other modes of governance.

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Research & Education

- 3-4 year ARC grant on Indigenous governance for Indigenous development
 - 10 case studies (urban, regional and remote)
 - Common themes (water, land, social capital)
- Masterclasses
- Post-graduate opportunities/Scholarships
- Training and development
 - Block intensive
 - Toolkit & tailored
 - Fee for Service



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