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MEDIA RELEASE – FSC appoints new Director of Policy

The Financial Services Council has appointed Allan Hansell as its new Director of Policy.

Mr Hansell has spent the last six years as Senior Manager, Government and Regulatory Affairs with ANZ Wealth in Sydney. Prior to that he held a similar role at ING Australia, which was a JV between ING Group and ANZ.

Mr Hansell comes to the FSC with more than 25 years in politics and policy, in roles in government, industry organisations and the private sector.

He was national government relations manager with the Insurance Council of Australia from 2001-2007. He also worked as a senior adviser to Ministers in the NSW and Victorian governments before moving to the private sector in 2001.

FSC CEO Sally Loane said: "We are delighted to have Allan joining us. With more than a quarter of a century of experience across Government and the wealth management industry including policy development, media relations and deep stakeholder engagement, he has the credentials to take us forward into a very busy year for financial services."

Mr Hansell added: "I am very much looking forward to working with Australia's peak financial services body as the industry enters what is likely to be a very important year in terms of public policy. FSC members provide enormous value in helping customers achieve their wealth needs, this is a great opportunity to work with the FSC team to build on the strengths of our industry."

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About the Financial Services Council

The Financial Services Council represents Australia's retail and wholesale funds management businesses, superannuation funds, life insurers, financial advisory networks and licensed trustee companies. The Council has over 100 members who are responsible for investing more than \$2.7 trillion on behalf of 13 million Australians. The pool of funds under management is larger than Australia's GDP and the capitalisation of the Australian Securities Exchange and is the third largest pool of managed funds in the world. The Financial Services Council promotes best practice for the financial services industry by setting mandatory Standards for its members and providing Guidance Notes to assist in operational efficiency.