

Media Release

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ARRB Welcomes Professor Michael Regan to Chief Scientist Role

ARRB is pleased to announce that Professor Michael Regan has been appointed as Chief Scientist – Human Factors with ARRB Group.

With an international career in road and aviation human factors and safety spanning nearly 25 years, Prof Regan's appointment to ARRB is an exciting addition to the Safe Systems department.

ARRB Managing Director, Gerard Waldron, said "Professor Regan is an incredibly well-respected figure within the roads industry, and we're thrilled to welcome him to ARRB.

"Professor Regan's appointment will assist ARRB to continue to be a leader in the field of driver distraction and driver interaction with intelligent transport systems, an incredibly important field of research that is integral to the evolution of driverless cars in Australia."

Prof Regan and the team will take a leading national role in setting the strategic agenda for ARRB's local and international research activities in human factors and road user behaviour, and will forge closer links between ARRB and other academic and research institutes, locally and internationally.

Prior to joining ARRB, Regan was a Professor in the Centre for Transport and Road Safety (TARS) Research at the University of NSW, in Sydney, and continues his affiliation with the university as Adjunct Professor. Whilst at UNSW, he led the creation of the Australian Naturalistic Driving Study, which is about to commence in NSW and Victoria. Prof Regan is also an Associate Fellow of the Australasian College of Road Safety (ACRS).

Prof Regan is the convenor of the 4th International Conference on Driver Distraction and Inattention, which will be held in Sydney in November 2015. This is the first time the conference has been held outside Europe and will be hosted jointly by the ARRB Group and the SAFER Vehicle and Traffic Safety Centre at Chalmers University in Sweden.

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ARRB is a leading expert globally in road research and technology. For the last 55 years we've been helping transport, road and infrastructure bodies to identify and adopt best practices for developing and maintaining safe and sustainable roads.

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