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## **The Australian Institute of Physics Congratulates Australia's new Chief Scientist Dr Cathy Foley**

The Australian Institute of Physics welcomes the news that physicist Dr Cathy Foley has been appointed as Australia's next chief scientist.

Cathy is an inspirational role model and has been a strong leader in Australian science for decades. She has worked long and hard to promote the importance of science for the future wellbeing of Australia and to support women in STEM.

The Australian Institute of Physics was pleased to award Cathy an Honorary Fellowship in 2020 and notes with pride that Cathy was President of our organization from 2007-2008.

Current AIP President Professor Jodie Bradby, warmly welcomed the appointment.

"We would like to offer Cathy our warmest congratulations.

It is wonderful to see a physicist in the top job and is testament to Cathy's success in her numerous leadership roles over many years.

We look forward to continuing to work with Cathy in promoting the role of Physics in research, industry and education for the advancement of Australia."

The AIP would also like to acknowledge and thank the outgoing Chief Scientist, Dr Alan Finkel for all his hard work in advancing science in Australia over the past several years.