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Future2 set for fundraising; appoints independent director

Future2, the foundation of the financial planning profession, has been granted fundraising authority by the NSW Office of Charities, and has appointed Dr. Michael Neary to the Board of Future2 Foundation Limited.

“These are important steps in sound governance for Future2 as we work towards our fundraising and project identification targets,” said Future2 Taskforce Chair Ray Griffin CFP®.

“The fundraising authority in NSW paves the way for similar authorities in all other states. We are also well advanced with an application for Deductible Gift Recipient status, which will allow donors to Future2 to claim appropriate tax deduction”, he added.

Michael Neary’s appointment as an independent director follows an extensive search and interview process. Currently Industry Director Financial Services at Telstra Enterprise & Government, Dr Neary holds a Doctorate In Business Administration and has worked in market development and strategic roles in the financial services industry.

Dr Neary was a director of Habitat for Humanity Australia, an international housing not-for-profit, and was a judge of the 2006 Prime Minister’s Award for Community Business Partnerships.

“Michael’s engagement with corporate social responsibility programs and his extensive business and financial services experience make him a great asset on the board of Future2,” Ray Griffin said.

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Future2 exists to support the financially under-privileged and to enable the financial planning profession and associated stakeholders to give back to the community from which they draw their livelihoods. A key factor differentiating Future2 from other foundations is the strong link it seeks to establish with FPA members who will assist with project identification, fundraising and promoting the foundation’s work in the community.