



Australian Government
**Department of Immigration
and Citizenship**



Peter Hughes biographical details

Peter Hughes is the Deputy Secretary for the Policy and Management group. He has extensive experience in the work of the immigration portfolio, across a range of issues including migration, refugees, settlement, citizenship and multicultural affairs.

Peter has implemented immigration and refugee resettlement programs with the department in Asia and Europe and has been closely involved in Australia's international engagement on people movement and protection issues in global multilateral forums, regionally and bilaterally.

Before August 2006, he was head of the department's Refugee, Humanitarian and International Division, which includes responsibility for Australia's offshore refugee resettlement program.

Peter has an Honours degree in history from the University of Queensland. He was awarded the Public Service Medal in 2005 for contributions to Australian citizenship, multicultural harmony and the settlement of refugees.

Peter is married with two sons.

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