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Summary

Elizabeth Shaw is a qualified company director and holds degrees in arts and law as well as a Masters of Public Policy. She currently (2015) serves as the President of UN Women Australia, Deputy Chair of Global Voices, and as a Director of Inclusion WA. She has been recognised with an Australian Leadership Award from the Australian Davos Connection, and a West Australian of the Year Award.

Details

Elizabeth Shaw works as a Manager in KPMG's Advisory practice. She also holds leadership roles in the not-for-profit sector, currently serving as the President of the Australian National Committee for UN Women and the Deputy Chair of Inclusion WA.

Elizabeth's role as President of the Australian National Committee for UN Women reflects her long-term commitment to increasing gender equality, in Australia and around the world. She has presented at sessions at the UN Commission on the Status of Women in New York and written on gender issues for the Australian Financial Review and The West Australian.

Elizabeth completed a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Melbourne and a Bachelor of Laws at the University of Western Australia, where she served as the President of the Law Students' Society, Editor of the UWA Student Newspaper and Editor of the UWA Law Review.

Elizabeth started her career as a solicitor for the State Solicitor's Office in Western Australia (2007 – 2010), winning the Golden Gavel competition in 2010.

In 2008, Elizabeth was selected to be the Australian Youth Representative to the United Nations, consulting with over 5,000 young Australians before presenting her findings at the UN General Assembly in New York.

Elizabeth's passion for engaging young people in the community continued through her support of organisations working with young people, including her work as a director of ReachOut.Com (2009 – 2013), a Trustee of the UN Youth Foundation (2013 – 2014) and Deputy Chair of Global Voices (2013 – 2015).

Elizabeth worked as the Executive Director of the UN Association of Australia (2010 – 2014). During this time, she completed a Masters in Public Policy at the ANU, receiving a scholarship to complete coursework at the University of Oxford and interning for United States Senator Richard G. Lugar.

Elizabeth has a keen interest in politics and international relations, and was selected to participate in the State Department's International Visitors Leadership Program, the Australia American Leadership Dialogue and the Australia India Youth Dialogue.

Elizabeth has been recognised with an Australian Leadership Award from the Australian Davos Connection, a West Australian of the Year Award (Youth) from Celebrate WA and as a 'Global Leader of Tomorrow' by the University of St Gallen in Switzerland.

Published resources

Resource
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