



Australian Multicultural Advisory Council

Terms of Reference

- The Australian Multicultural Advisory Council consists of 16 people with expertise in the public, community and private sectors and from a range of backgrounds.
- It will provide the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary with advice on:
 - social cohesion issues relating to Australia's cultural and religious diversity
 - overcoming intolerance and racism in Australia
 - communicating the social and economic benefits of Australia's cultural diversity to the broad community
 - issues relating to the social and civic participation of migrants in Australian society.
- The council's first term will be from 1 January 2009 to 30 June 2010.

Membership

- Members will serve in their individual capacities and not as representatives of any specific entities or interest groups.
- The council will be chaired by Mr Andrew Demetriou, the chief executive of the Australian Football League.

Meetings

- The council is expected to meet about three times per year.

Operation

- The council will not have decision-making authority, nor will it have the authority to make budgetary decisions or to manage projects and programs.