

## Position Vacant: GGA Strategic Advisory Group Chair Expressions of Interest

The Grower Group Alliance (GGA) is currently seeking to fill the vacant role of Chair of Strategic Advisory Group (SAG).

The Strategic Advisory Group provides direction, advice and feedback on the activities of the GGA project. Most importantly, the SAG is required to ensure the Grower Group Alliance is working towards its vision through the objectives. This will ensure the GGA achieves its goals and delivers benefits to all its members. This is particularly important as the GGA transitions from a funded project to an incorporated association over the next two years.

The role of the Strategic Advisory Group is to:

- Provide high level industry feedback on agricultural industry trends, needs and issues in order to guide the strategic direction of the GGA
- Offer independent advice from a variety of viewpoints to the Project Leader on formulating the GGA's responses to strategic issues
- Establish policy in relation to external and internal partnerships of the GGA
- Monitor the achievement of project objectives
- Raise the profile of the GGA in the industry and wider community.

The SAG currently meets twice a year, with occasional email responses required out of session, however this commitment is likely to grow as the GGA adopts a new business model.

Members of the SAG, who are self-employed and incur real expense, receive a sitting fee and reimbursement for travel costs to attend meetings. All positions are for a three year term, with a rolling replacement. Members can stay on the SAG for a maximum of two terms.

Key selection criteria for chair position:

- Own or manage a farming business;
- Sound understanding of how grower groups operate Desirable to be a former office bearer (committee member) of a group;
- Sound understanding of implementing new business structures and governance
- Strong networks in the industry and/or the ability to build those networks;
- Broad understanding of the drivers of RD&E, and role of grower groups in the overall system;
- Excellent communication skills including the ability to work constructively in a team and communicate in individual and group situations.

To apply for the position, please submit an expression of interest that includes a short CV, and a statement (maximum half-page) addressing the selection criteria, including history with working/involvement with grower groups. For more information contact Rebecca Wallis, T: 6180 5759, E: rwallis@gga.org.au. Applications close **Wednesday 14 September 2016.**