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RUN WELCOMES SOUTHERN CROSS' NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR

The Regional Universities Network (RUN) welcomes the appointment of Professor Adam Shoemaker as the next Vice-Chancellor of Southern Cross University.

The Chair of RUN, Professor Jan Thomas, said that Professor Shoemaker's experience in the higher education sector, including in his current position as Provost at Griffith University, would be a welcome addition to the network.

"RUN is delighted to welcome Professor Shoemaker. His interest in community engagement and appreciation of regional universities, and his research background in Indigenous literature and culture, will provide a relevant and useful contribution to RUN.

"I look forward to working with Professor Shoemaker, and the other network Vice-Chancellors, in encouraging the incoming Government to consider the issues and policies raised in the RUN policy document, *Clever Regions, Clever Australia*.

"I would like to acknowledge the great contribution that Southern Cross' outgoing Vice-Chancellor, Professor Peter Lee FTSE, has made to the university and to RUN. He served as Chair of the network from mid-2013 to mid-2015 during a volatile time in university funding and policy," Professor Thomas said.

"RUN wishes Professor Lee well in his retirement."

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