



POSITION DESCRIPTION

Position Title: Head of Risk

Cluster / Business Unit / Division Assurance, Risk & Compliance
Section or Unit: Assurance, Risk & Compliance

Classification: Band 9

Job Family: Compliance and Regulation

Position Description Number: PD-2589
Work Contract Type: Professional
STEMM/NON-STEMM: Non-STEMM

POSITION PURPOSE

Reporting to the Group Executive, Assurance, Risk and Compliance, the Head of Risk is a senior leadership role responsible for developing, implementing, and overseeing the enterprise risk management (ERM) framework across a complex, nuclear organisation. This role ensures that all activities are conducted within a robust risk governance structure, aligning with national and international safety standards, including nuclear specific standards, regulatory requirements, and organisational objectives.

ORGANISATIONAL ENVIRONMENT

ANSTO is a leading global nuclear science and technology organisation delivering world-class research and expertise to benefit Australia and support a more sustainable future. Using nuclear science, we improve health, support industries, provide expert advice to government on nuclear technologies and help develop Australia's nuclear workforce.

The Assurance Risk and Compliance division partners with the organisation to safeguard, protect and enhance ANSTO's reputation and to ensuring that the organisation operates in an efficient, effective, safe, sustainable and ethical manner, compliant with legal and regulatory obligations. The division focuses on second- and third-line defence across the organisation.

ACCOUNTABILITIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Key Accountabilities

- Ownership of ANSTO's enterprise risk management framework.
- Providing expert, authoritative, influential strategic advice and support to the CEO and Group Executive on all aspects of ANSTO's risk management and risk governance framework.
- Building greater organisational awareness, engagement, culture and capability of risk management and business resilience through effective leadership, advocacy and collaboration among key stakeholders.
- Evaluating, promoting and driving improvements to ANSTO's 'risk management maturity' level with a specific focus on the enablers of improved risk management processes and culture across ANSTO.
- Leading the operationalisation of ANSTO's risk management and assurance practice, ensuring it supports effective and efficient business processes across the organisation.
- Building greater business resilience capability and assurance across the organisation.

- In collaboration with the Group Executive guiding, reviewing, monitoring and reporting on compliance, operational, reputational, financial and strategic risks within the business up to Board level.
- Systematically assessing, advocating for, and implementing enhancements to ANSTO's 'risk
 management maturity' level, concentrating specifically on the factors that enable more effective
 risk management processes and culture improvement throughout the organization.
- Undertake additional duties as required and during period of leave of other staff.

Decision Making

- The position works within a framework of legislation (e.g., *PGPA Act 2013*), Board policies and other elements of the organisational governance framework.
- In consultation with the Group Executive, Assurance, Risk and Compliance and relevant Executives, the position determines key work priorities in relation to enterprise activities
- Accountable for the accuracy, integrity and quality of advice and reporting provided.
- The ANSTO Values, Corporate Plan, Business Plan as well as the framework of legislation, policies, professional standards and resource parameters provide context for the position.
- Levels of authority delegated to this position are those approved and issued by the Chief Executive
 Officer. All delegations will be in line with the ANSTO Delegation Manual AG-1682 (as amended or
 replaced).

Key Challenges

- Keeping up to date with national and international trends and developments in governance, risk, compliance.
- Developing and maintaining a sound and current knowledge of the organisation, its structural elements, objectives, performance expectations, projects and current and planned activities.
- Being proactive and independently motivated in identifying and maintaining high quality information sources, relationships and contacts.
- Engaging management and staff to ensure desired risk management outcomes.

KEY RELATIONSHIPS

Who	Purpose	
Internal		
Head of Internal Audit	Receive guidance and support	
	Provide relevant updates.	
ANSTO Executive	 Provide relevant status updates 	
	 Provide reports on enterprise risks and significant internal control failures 	
	 Provide expert, authoritative and evidence-based advice 	
Risk and Compliance Committee • Facilitate discussions and provide relevant guidance and support		
ANSTO Business Unit Managers	Provide expert advice, facilitation, and development	
Direct reports	Provide leadership, guidance and support	
	 Set performance requirements and expectations and manage performance and development 	
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	Monitor trends and performance against plans and evaluate the	
	need for further support to ensure desired or expected outcomes	
External		

Regulatory and certifying	 As required in relation to enterprise risk & assurance activity
bodies, government agencies	·

POSITION DIMENSIONS

Staff Data		
Reporting Line	Group Executive Assurance, Risk and Compliance	
Direct Reports	Lead Manager, Enterprise Risk	
	Lead Manager, Major Project Risk & Assurance	
Indirect Reports	Nil	

Special / Physical Requirements		
Location:	Lucas Heights	
	Working in different areas of designated site/campus as needed	
Travel:	Will be required travel to ANSTO sites from time to time	
	Infrequent travel both internationally and nationally	
Physical:	Office based physical requirements (sitting, standing, minimal manual	
	handling, movement around office and site, extended hours working	
	at computer)	
	Role will involve tight deadlines and changing priorities	
Radiation areas:	May be required to access radiation areas from time to time	
Hours:	Willingness to work extended and varied hours based on operational	
	requirements	
Clearance requirements:	Satisfy ANSTO Security and Medical clearance requirements	
	Satisfy national security requirements	

Workplace Health & Safety		
Specific role/s as specified in AP- All Workers		
2362 of the ANSTO WHS	Managers / Leaders / Supervisors	
Management System	Other specialised roles identified within the guideline a position	
	holder may be allocated to in the course of their duties	

ORGANISATIONAL CHART

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KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

- 1. Degree in Commerce, Accounting, Business, Risk Management or other relevant discipline. Post graduate qualifications in risk management, internal audit or other related discipline are highly desirable.
- 2. Demonstrated senior Risk experience, leading the implementation of risk frameworks, programs, reporting and culture across a complex, highly regulated organisation, preferably in resources, nuclear, pharmaceutical, manufacturing, infrastructure or research and science-based industries.
- 3. Experience within or dealing directly with public sector agencies is preferred.
- 4. Understanding and experience working with ISO31000:2018 Risk Management Standard requirements
- 5. Demonstrated knowledge and practical application of contemporary risk management frameworks, methodologies and systems
- 6. Strong strategic thinking and planning skills; experience and the capacity to develop innovative solutions to complex, multi-faceted issues and problems ("think around corners").

- 7. Experience in coaching and mentoring managers to achieve business excellence and best practice.
- 8. Ability to work collaboratively, engage and manage relationships with internal and external stakeholders at all levels.
- 9. Highly developed communication, negotiation, presentation and interpersonal skills, effective across a range of diverse stakeholders.
- 10. Strong financial and resource management at a senior level including the ability to allocate resources effectively, identify and manage risks, and adapt effectively to changes in the environment.

VERIFICATION

This section verifies that the line manager and appropriate senior manager/executive confirm that this is a true and accurate reflection of the position.

Line Manager		Delegated Authority
Name:	Marianne Morton	Name:
Title:	A/Group Executive, Assurance, Risk and Compliance	Title:
Signature:		Signature: Approval on file
Date:		Date: