



Bob Horton

Dr Horton was educated at the University of Wales in the UK, where he obtained a first class honours degree in electronic engineering in 1968 and a Ph.D in the field of microwave communications in 1971.

His experience in the telecommunications industry includes a number of project assignments with industry in the UK and the USA, and some 14 years with the Research Department of Telecom Australia, where he progressed through the fields of solid state electronics, optical fibre systems and components, microwave systems and components and finally wideband systems research.

Between 1985 and 1989 he was with the Corporate Strategy Directorate of Telecom Australia, involved in long term studies of the direction of telecommunications in the position of Director, Industry Strategy. He also spent some time as Executive Assistant to the Managing Director.

In 1987/88, Dr Horton was seconded to the Government's Telecommunications Policy Review Team in Canberra.

In his outside interests, Dr Horton was a Past President of the Institution of Radio and Electronics Engineers, Australia and a Fellow of both the IREE and IEAust.

In August, 1989 he joined AUSTEL as General Manager, Technical Standards with responsibility for technical regulation of the Australian telecommunications industry. Dr Horton was a member of AUSTEL from September 1993. He was also Chairman of AUSTEL's Standards Advisory Committee, Chairman of the Australian Telecommunications Standardization Committee (previously the Australian CCITT Committee), a Board Member of Standards Australia and was Chairman of the Telecommunications Standardization Advisory Group within the ITU between 1993 and 1996. He is presently Chairman of the Asia Pacific Telecommunity Standards Program (ASTAP).

He is currently Deputy Chairman of the Australian Communications Authority, an Advisory Board Member of CTIN (University of Adelaide Research Unit) and an Associate Member of the Australian Broadcasting Authority.