

Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in the General Division – June 2024

Mr Michael John Smith, Collaroy Plateau NSW 2097

For significant service to geological and earth sciences.

Geological Society of Australia

- Councillor, Governing Council, 2014-2016.
- Fellow, 2014.
- Distinguished Fellow, 2023.
- Member, since 1993.
- Sponsorship Chair, Australian Earth Science Convention, Newcastle, 2014.

National Rock Garden, Geological Society of Australia

- Vice-Chair, current.
- Director, since 2013.
- Vice-Chair, Steering Committee, current.
- Chair, Finance and Risk Sub-Committee.
- Member, Education Sub-Committee.
- Chair, NSW State Rock Selection Sub-Committee.

Australian Geoscience Council

- Chair, 2001-2004, and 2007-2013.
- President, 1998-2001, and 2004-2006.
- Member, Finance Committee, Australian Geoscience Convention, Brisbane 2012.
- Chair, Sponsorship Sub-Committee, Inaugural Convention, Adelaide, 2018.

Federation of Australian Scientific and Technological Societies (now Science and Technology Australia)

- Former Treasurer.
- Australian Geoscience Council Representative, 2001-2004.

Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists

- Federal President, 1999-2000.
- Vice-President, 1971.
- Treasurer, 1978.
- Member, History Committee.
- Honorary Life Member, 2012.
- Member, since 1970.

ASEG International Conference and Exhibition Organising Committee

- Sponsorship Chair, 2004, and 2010.
- Technical Program Chair, 1997.

New South Wales Branch, Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists

- Committee Member, since 2000.
- Member, since early-1970s.

Australian Institute of Geosciences

- President, 1993-1996.
- Immediate Past President, 1997-1998.
- Council Member, 1992-2003.
- Chair, Registration Board, 1997-2015.
- Chair, AIG Awards Committee, since 2021.
- Member, Registration Board, since 2010.
- Fellow, 1991.
- Member, since 1991.

Sydney Mineral Exploration Discussion Group

- Elected Life Member, 2022.

Professional Appointments

- Industry Representative, External Advisory Committee, Geology Department, University of Technology Sydney, 1996-1998, and Chair, 1997.
- Industry Representative, External Visiting Committee, Department of Biological, Earth and Environmental Sciences, The University of New South Wales, 2011-2020, and Chair.

Career

- General Manager Exploration and Geoscientist, Austpac Resources, 1986-2019.
- Chief Geophysicist, Esso Australia (Sydney) and Exxon Minerals, New York, 1972-1983 and 1986.
- Jefe de Geofisica para Europa, Exxon Minera, Madrid, Spain, 1984-1985.

Awards and Recognition include:

- Inaugural AIG Service Award (Gold Medal), Australian Institute of Geosciences, 2008.
- Lindsay Ingall Memorial Award, Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists, 2003.
- ASEG Service Medal, Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists, 2001.
- ASEG Life Member, GSA Distinguished Fellow, AIG Fellow, Life Member SMEDG.