



Michael Ward, AM, CSC

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Michael Ward is Managing Director of Raytheon Australia and Vice President of Raytheon Technologies Australia. Ward is responsible for the executive management of Raytheon operations in Australia and New Zealand.

Prior to assuming the role of Managing Director, Ward served as General Manager, Strategy and Business Development where he was responsible for business growth and operational efficiency. He has also previously served as the Company's Chief Operating Officer and General Manager, Technical Services.

Before joining Raytheon, Ward was employed as a Defence Adviser to the Parliament of Australia. His service to the Parliament came at the end of a 20-year career with the Australian military.

Complimenting his role at Raytheon Australia, Ward is an active leader in the Australian Defence Industry often speaking and contributing at Defence and industry gatherings.

As a member of the Air Warfare Destroyer Board (2009-2015) and a member of the Air Warfare Destroyer Principals Council (2016-2021), Ward oversaw the development, build and integration of the most capable warship ever produced for the Royal Australian Navy.

In 2017, Ward was invited to join the Prime Minister's Industry Advisory Committee on Veterans Employment Initiatives; a role he continues in today. Previously he has served as a Board member of contributed to the Defence Industry Innovation Board (2011- 2013) and as part of the Defence Taskforce supporting the Government's Modern Manufacturing Strategy in 2020.

Born in Australia, Ward is a graduate of the University of New South Wales and a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Management. He studied for a bachelor's degree in information technology before completing a master's degree in business administration. Ward has also undertaken graduate training in aeronautical engineering, defence studies and training.

Ward was recognised in the Queen's Birthday 2022 Honours List, as a Member of the Order of Australia, for significant service to the defence industry. In the Queen's Birthday 1998 Honours List, Ward was awarded a Conspicuous Service Cross for services to the Australian Army.

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