
Chris Hodgson

Chris has over 20 years' experience in procurement and supply chain across the Financial Services, Energy, FMCG and Technology industries. His experience spans Direct and Indirect categories, across a wide range of industries, including Banking and Financial Services, FMCG, Oil and Gas, Retail, e-commerce and Technology.



Chris has consistently met aggressive savings targets for global organisations with accountability for billion dollar cost bases. He has delivered in fast-paced environments and tough economic conditions, and has a track record of building credibility with stakeholders at all levels.

He led the implementation of a procurement transformation program at Origin Oil and Gas (Vic) including driving value through identification and execution of key initiatives. Chris introduced a spend diagnostic and initiated the first wave of savings projects on categories including sea and road freight, gas cylinder supply and core valves and fittings.

Previously Head of Business Services Procurement at NAB, Chris led a team of Procurement Managers focused on delivering benefits from NAB's \$1.2B of indirect products & services spend. He successfully delivered annualised savings of \$40m over successive years and outperformed aggressive FY13 and FY14 targets.

Chris was Head of Indirect procurement at Foster's Group from 2009 to 2012 where he led a team of category managers in implementing sourcing initiatives to successfully achieve stretch savings targets. He also provided commercial advice of the technology transformation program and the eventual divestiture of the Beer and Wine businesses.

He spent five years in GE Capital Australasia's Procurement team where he was head of Technology Procurement and part of GE's Global Technology Sourcing team. Before moving to Australia Chris held various Procurement and supply chain roles in the technology industry in the UK.

He is a dynamic trainer and uses his vast, cross sector experience to draw on relevant and valuable real world examples for participants.