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## **CEnvP Announces Winners of 2021 Scheme Service Award**

Two leading environmental practitioners are the winners of The Certified Environmental Practitioner (CEnvP) Scheme Service Award. The winners were announced on the 16 November by Alex Blood, Chair of the CEnvP Board at the EIANZ Annual Conference.

**Olivia Woosnam**, CEnvP (Queensland) and **Dr MacLaren North**, CEnvP Heritage (New South Wales) are the 2021 award winners. Chair of the CEnvP Board, Alex Blood said, "We are very pleased to recognise the positive leadership of two outstanding volunteers, with the Board deciding to award jointly in 2021. We are very grateful for the dedication and passion of MacLaren and Olivia to the specialist fields of Heritage and Ecology respectively. We congratulate them on their contributions to the Scheme and look forward to their continued participation."

Both winners were commended for their unique contributions. Olivia has been a strong advocate of the CEnvP Scheme, sharing her expertise as an interview panel convenor and later an Ecology Specialist Registrar. MacLaren has been a key contributor to the Heritage Specialist Environmental Advisory Committee since its inception. Both MacLaren and Olivia have contributed greatly to the broader industry recognition of the CEnvP Scheme.

"CEnvP certification provides an impartial, external measure on the quality of the work. This is important in the heritage sector, which can be seen as mysterious by those that use our services. It is particularly rewarding to participate in a community of peers all trying to advance the profession," MacLaren said.

Olivia said, "The CEnvP Scheme is crucial to ensure a level of care, integrity, accountability and proficiency in our work, given the great responsibilities environmental professionals have. I am proud to be part of the scheme and to uphold and strengthen the integrity of our profession. It is an honour to receive this award for my contributions as a volunteer."

## About the CEnvP Scheme Service Award

The CEnvP Scheme Service Award celebrates the outstanding volunteer contribution an individual has made to the values, success, and development of the CEnvP Scheme in the areas of initiative, positive leadership, reliability and technical values. The contribution of these individuals is greatly valued by the CEnvP Scheme and an integral part of ensuring a contemporary and robust professional certification program, and a vital part of the ongoing success of the program.

## About the CEnvP Scheme

The Certified Environmental Practitioner (CEnvP) Program assesses environmental professionals in competency criteria of training, experience, professional conduct and ethical behaviour, and provides industry-wide certification and specialisations. <u>www.cenvp.org</u>