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### **Biography**

Chris Pattas graduated in economics with honours from Monash University (with majors in economics, statistics and finance) and began his career in economic policy formulation at the Commonwealth Treasury in Canberra. This included work in areas as diverse as foreign investment, structural policy (microeconomic reform) and industry policy, as well as looking at specific industries, such as communications and transport, services, primary industries and mining/energy.

As Senior Director, Access, at the ACCC, Chris' responsibilities include overall management of access issues, including the Commission's work on access to fixed networks for competitors. Chris has also worked extensively in Pay TV, broadcasting and mobile issues. Apart from extensive involvement in various aspects of telecommunications regulation, Chris has worked in other areas of regulation at the Commission, such as transport and aviation.

Prior to the ACCC, Chris managed a number of areas at previous telecommunications regulator, AUSTEL, including retail pricing, USOs and quality of service. Prior to AUSTEL, Chris worked at the ASC/ASIC on financial regulation.