

INFORMATION PACK

MENTORINGWOMEN IN BUSINESS AU/NZ 2025

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Protégé AU/NZ 2025 MentoringWomen

Protégé is delighted to be launching the 6th cohort of its highly successful MentoringWomen Program. The Program will match 25 high potential female mentees with 25 experienced mentors. Mentors are sourced from among the region's most successful corporate leaders, academics, entrepreneurs, NGOs and industry trail-blazers.

As this program covers both Australia and New Zealand, it will be delivered virtually via Zoom.

Benefits

More and more organisations see the value of mentoring and leadership programs as a vital investment in accelerating women's careers and equipping them with the skills to attain the senior roles they aspire to. Our program includes all the elements highlighted as success factors for the further development of women in McKinsey's *Women Matter Report*, namely Mentoring, Leadership Skills and Networking.

We seek organisations that are passionate about the advancement of women leaders and interested in supporting their further development, retention and inclusion in the workplace and in the broader Australia and New Zealand communities. Our program will assist you to:

- o Support, develop, and retain talented female professionals, bolstering a creative knowledge base, and establishing a competitive advantage.
- Build a sustainable and diverse pipeline of talented women by actively motivating and engaging your most promising talent.
- o Tap into knowledge capital within and outside your organisation.
- Ensure senior leaders are equipped with the necessary mentoring and coaching skills to support younger women coming through the ranks and move towards gender parity.
- o Promote your organisation's commitment to the advancement of women and increase awareness about the issues faced by professional women in the workplace.
- o Leverage and build internal and external networks.

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Protégé Program Summary

The Protégé MentoringWomen Program is a cross-industry, fully supported and structured, 9-month long development opportunity that includes:

- o Information Session outline of the program and the commitment required.
- o Application Process to ensure participants are a good fit for the program.
- Mentor / Mentee Matching a vital component of any successful mentoring program. Each mentee will be pre-matched with 3-5 mentors, and both mentor and mentee to decide who they prefer to work with.
- o Official Launch and Closing Celebration to set participants up for success and to celebrate the mentoring journey.
- Mentoring Sessions between matched mentor and mentee, approximately 6-8 x one-toone, 1 hour mentoring sessions.
- Mentee Skills Workshops to support career progression and growth.
- o Mentor Skills Workshop to further hone mentoring skills and leadership capacity.
- Mid-point Review check-in to ensure progression towards desired outcomes and work on the Leadership Challenge – an engaging problem-solving exercise where small groups of unmatched mentors and mentees work together to provide differing perspectives and solutions.
- Networking opportunities to meet everyone in the cohort and to enable knowledge transfer.
- o Program Workbooks and Materials to enhance and support the learning experience.
- o Mentor Supervision to oversee development of mentors on an ad hoc basis.
- Protégé Web/Mobile App provides access to workshop details, calendar invites, RSVP, program materials, help line and chat with their matched mentor/mentee, all in one handy place.

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Become a Protégé Mentee

Mentee roles are open to early- to mid-career females with:

- o A minimum of **5-8 years full-time work experience** and who are currently employed.
- o The desire to proactively advance in their career and optimise their potential.
- A willingness to accept feedback and to be honest about their positive and challenging attributes.
- o An open and inquiring mind and the flexibility to change.
- The availability to participate fully in the program, ending February 2026, and to join in program events and workshops.
- o Time to drive and manage both the mentoring relationship and 6-8 x one-hour mentoring sessions with your mentor.

Become a Protégé Mentor

Mentor roles are open to business executives with:

- o Approximately 10 years in a senior leadership role.
- A desire to guide and motivate the next generation of women to achieve their career goals and aspirations.
- o The business / industry knowledge and experience necessary to be able to discuss a wide range of topics and situations.
- o Excellent listening and questioning skills plus an open and inquiring mind.
- o Integrity and commitment to confidentiality.
- The availability to participate fully in the program ending February 2026, and to join in program events.
- o Time to provide, 6-8 x one-hour mentoring sessions.

Your Commitment

As a participant your time commitment during the 9 months will be as follows:

- 1. Complete the Application Form and, upon acceptance, participate in the mentor / mentee Matching Overview (1 hour) requiring 3-5 discussions off-line.
- 2. Attend 6-8 x one-hour mentoring sessions (approximately 1 hour per month).
- 3. Participate, where possible in all program events/workshops (1.5-2 hours each).
- 4. Provide feedback about your experience on the program.
- 5. **Mentees only**: Pay the applicable program fee upon acceptance (if not sponsored by your company).

A draft copy of the Protégé Calendar 2025 is outlined on Page 6.

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Application Process

Step 1: Attend an INFORMATION SESSION

To find out more, attend an Information Session via the link below.

• 17 March 12.00-12.45pm AEDT

Link to register: https://app.protege-mentoring.com/onboard/protege-au-nz-2025

Step 2: APPLICATION FORM MENTEE EARLY BIRD FEE closes 31 March 2025.

Complete the Application Form via the link below:

NB:

- Use the latest Internet Browser
- Avoid firewalls which may be used by your company
- Retain your email address and password to be able to download the Protégé App once you have been confirmed on the program.

MENTEE Link: https://app.protege-mentoring.com/mentee-apply/protege-au-nz-2025

OR

MENTOR Link: https://app.protege-mentoring.com/mentor-apply/protege-au-nz-2025

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 11:59 pm, 10 April 2025.

Step 3: ADD DATES TO YOUR CALENDAR

Save the following dates to your calendar:

- Matching Overview 28 April 2025 12.00-12.45pm AEST
- Program Launch **12 June 2025** 5:30-7:00pm AEST

Step 4: THE PROTÉGÉ MENTORING APP

Once your application has been accepted, we will send you a link to access the Protégé Mentoring App (use same email and password from the application process).

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Protégé Calendar 2025

(Events to be conducted virtually between 5.30-7.30pm Sydney AEDT and AEST. Do note dates and times may change.)

Date	Event	Attendees
17 March	Information Session – 12.00-12.45pm AEDT	Interested applicants
31 March	Early Bird Fee Closes	Interested applicants
10 April	Applications close	Interested applicants
18 April	Successful applicants confirmed	Protégé
28 April	Matching Overview	All
10 June	Confirmation of mentor / mentee Match	Protégé
12 June	Protégé AU/NZ 2025 Launch	All + Guests
June 2025 – February 2026	6-8 x one-hour Mentoring Sessions	Mentors, Mentees
June	I'm a Great Mentor Workshop (new mentors)	Mentors only
July	Secrets of Career Success Workshop	Mentees
September	Mentor MasterMind	Mentors only
September	Networking Skills	Mentees
October	Mid-point Review	All
2November	Finding Your Voice	Mentees
February 2026	Closing Celebration	All + Guests
February 2026	Feedback Survey	All

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Join Protégé AU/NZ 2025 NOW

We are looking for both individual mentees, mentors and corporations to join our MentoringWomen Program.

Protégé Partners:

Over the past 10 years we have partnered with:

AET Tankers	Alcon	Alstom	AWS - Amazon
AXA Insurance	BlackRock	Colt Technology	Canopius
Edelman	Elastic	Hogan Lovells	Jones Lang Lassalle
Marsh	Open Text	NBCUniversal	Nomura Singapore
Nikko AM	OCBC Bank	Pernod Ricard	Red Hat Asia Pacific
Standard Chartered Bank	State Street Bank	White & Case	Sony
Hewlett Packard	NextGen	Level 22 Chambers	Comcast
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An Investment in the Future

Protégé is passionate about the growth and development of businesswomen and the senior executives who mentor them. In return for your investment to retain and further develop your future leaders, we offer the following:

- Group Savings for multiple mentees from the same organisation who qualify for the program.
 Qualified mentors are complimentary.
- Multiple Networking Opportunities both within the program and across various industries and women's interest groups.
- o **Protégé Mentoring Web/App** stores all program information in one handy location.

FEES for the 2025 Program

•	Early Bird Fee applicable until 31 March 2025:	AUD\$2,500 per mentee
•	Individual:	AUD\$2,800 per mentee
•	3 or more mentees from same organisation:	AUD\$2,500 per mentee
•	Mentors:	Complimentary

Further Information

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About Protégé – MentoringWomen / BusinessMentoring

Protégé offers structured, end-to-end mentoring programs in Australia, Asia Pacific and Europe. Join an open-enrolment, cross-industry program for women or create your own in-house bespoke program to develop and retain your top talent.

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