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New Melbourne office for Whitehorse



After over eight years in the one spot, we will be moving shortly to a new Melbourne location, closer to the centre of the CBD, and in an updated building with better staff facilities, and a flexible array of conference and board-rooms to cater to our varying needs for meeting and presentation facilities.

Our telephone, fax, and email addresses will not change, but our new address, from the beginning of next month, will be 5.03, 365 Little Collins St.

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...and in Darwin



We have recently established an office in the Paspaley Centre, Smith St Mall, alongside Tower Software, Technology One, and a number of other ICT companies, and also invested in an apartment to provide accommodation for Melbourne-based staff.

We have noticed, however, a puzzling trend - that as the weather gets colder in Melbourne, the volunteers for Darwin projects seem to increase.

Behind the Scenes



One of the problems we have when people ask us what we do is that some of our work is "behind-the-scenes".

This behind-the-scenes work includes projects that need to be kept confidential - internal quality reviews, and probity or audit work, mainly for government clients. Other behind-the-scenes work includes advising and mentoring, on boards, advisory councils, and the like, much of which is pro bono (which doesn't just mean free, it also means for the public good). Another major area of behind-the-scenes work is where we are assisting and in some cases, embedded within other companies or organisations.

It might surprise you to know that Whitehorse people have performed such roles for organisations such as Duesburys, Landmark Software, Deloitte, MAV, Dimension Data, and Ernst & Young, sometimes for periods of one or more years.

We enjoy behind-the-scenes work like this, because it gives us the opportunity to understand the culture and practices of other organisations and work on tasks that we might not be able to within the Whitehorse environment. For their part, the organisations with whom we work gain the benefit of our experience and expertise without needing to translate this into permanent employment.

Such work, of course, requires a significant deal of trust by the organisations engaging us, trust that we will keep their information confidential, trust that we will deal with their clients in the manner that they wish us to, and trust that we will fulfil our responsibilities as well or better than a permanent staff member.

We look forward to lots more *behind-the-scenes* work, we just won't always be able to tell you about it!

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