

## Media Release

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## John Gelavis Appointed to Head Up Master Builders

The Master Builders Association of WA (Master Builders) has appointed John Gelavis to succeed Michael McLean when he steps down as Executive Director in December.

Mr Gelavis has been employed with the Housing Industry Association (HIA) as its Regional Executive Director in WA for the past six years.

Mr Gelavis will commence his employment with Master Builders on Monday 17 September after his employment with HIA concludes on 14 September.

According to Master Builders President Rob Spadaccini, a number of outstanding candidates applied and were interviewed for the position of Executive Director.

"After a thorough selection process co-ordinated by Executive Recruitment company, Lester Blades, John Gelavis was clearly the preferred candidate", Mr Spadaccini said.

"Replacing our outgoing Executive Director, Michael McLean who has been in the role for the last 22 years was always going to be a difficult assignment but we are confident that John Gelavis will succeed in this position."

"There are many regulatory changes and economic challenges ahead for the building and construction industry which will require strong representation and effective advocacy from our Association," Mr Spadaccini said.

"Mr McLean has given outstanding service to Master Builders WA and is well respected at a State and National level."

Mr McLean began his employment with Master Builders in August 1983 as its Industrial Relations Manager before being appointed Executive Director in September 1996.

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