

# Media Release

## Building leader joins Premier's state recovery group

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The Master Builders Association of Western Australia welcomes the inclusion of Executive Director John Gelavis on the new State Recovery Advisory Group to represent the building sector.

"The \$25billion building and construction industry is vital to Western Australia. Master Builders has extensive experience and resources both locally and nationally to provide expert advice on the key elements required for our state's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic," Mr Gelavis said.

"I feel very privileged and honoured to have been asked by Premier Mark McGowan to join other industry leaders in assisting this critically important advisory group to guide Western Australia back to prosperity.

"We hold the strong view that the building and construction industry is in the best shape to rebuild Western Australia, protecting and enhancing the viability of tens of thousands of small businesses and the jobs of thousands of West Australians.

"As an association we have always said that the battle against the COVID-19 economic emergency could be lost just as the battle against the health emergency is starting to be won, so the move by the Premier to establish this group is an important step in winning the economic battle."

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