

Matthew Williams

Chief Executive Officer



Co-founder of Tennant Burnett Corporate Advisory and of AxleTree Capital, Matt has 35 years of global experience in Private Equity, Infrastructure Funds Management and Corporate and Investment banking.

Matt's expertise extends across infrastructure and private equity funds management; government, corporate and project finance advisory; and he has been a director of major listed and unlisted companies in the Infrastructure, Natural Resource and Financial Services sectors.

Commencing his career at The Chase Manhattan Bank and the Bank of Montreal Matt was the first executive appointed by Hastings Funds Management where he was responsible for managing the early growth of its flagship fund, Utilities Trust of Australia. This was followed by Director roles at PricewaterhouseCoopers and BlueMount Capital as well as the role of Senior Privatisation Adviser in the United Arab Emirates Ministry of Interior specializing in public-private partnerships, privatization and long-term outsourcing of contracts.

Matt has extensive experience in the funding of capital-intensive industries and in the project management of large multidisciplinary teams for the delivery of complex projects. In the Clean Technology space, Matt's experience covers hydro, wind, solar (PV and thermal), co-generation, waste-to-energy, landfill gas, geothermal and Energy Management Systems as well as water and wastewater treatment and waste management (composting, recycling, and toxic waste).

Matt's previous directorships include Pacific Hydro Limited (then ASX listed), Perth International Airport, Hancock Victorian Plantations, Sydney Light Rail, Interlink Roads, Epic Energy, Yallourn Energy and Longreach Global Capital.

Since 2020 Matt has been a Consultant to Stanford Seed, a charitable foundation managed by Stanford University Business School, that supports emerging entrepreneurs in Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia. Recently, Matt was selected by the Australian Sustainable Finance Institute as a mentor under its "Limitless" program, working with mid-career professionals seeking to bring a greater sustainability focus to their work.

Matt holds a Bachelor of Arts (Banking & Finance) from the University of Canberra, and a Master of Arts (Applied Finance) from the University of Technology, Sydney as well as having completed the executive Program "Infrastructure in a Market Economy" at Harvard University's John F Kennedy School of Government. He has also completed Level 1 of the World bank endorsed Certified P3 Professional (CP3P) program and Masters' and Doctoral level coursework in areas including sustainability, renewable energy technologies, project management, and utility regulation at the Australian National University and Victoria University of Technology. He is currently completing a Master of Engineering (Management) at RMIT University, with a heavy emphasis on advanced manufacturing systems, commercialisation of new technologies, and sustainability. His master's Research Project is on measurement of Sustainability from a practical investment perspective.

