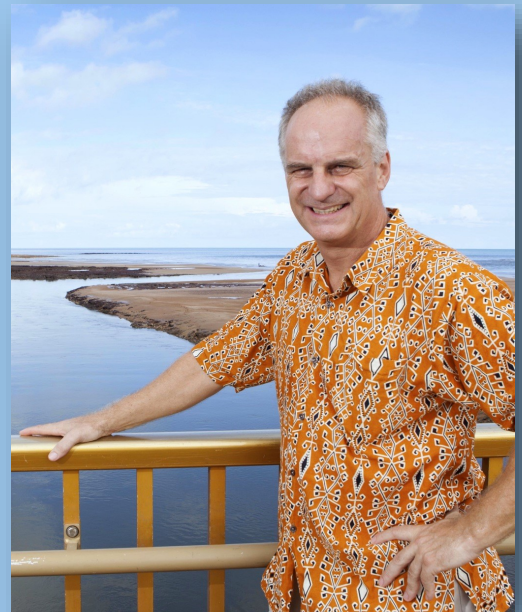




Our Ambassador Professor Andrew Campbell



Andrew Campbell grew up on his family farm in the Red Gum grazing land at Cavendish. Playing beneath the trees and climbing up them, enjoying their shade in summer and warmth from their wood in the winter, and farming around them made the Red Gums an integral part of his upbringing.

Andrew continued and further developed his interest in trees when he left home and studied Forestry at Creswick. He returned to the Western District in his role as Project Manager of the Potter Farmland Plan from 1984 to 1988, which saw many district farms improve their productivity, reverse land degradation and support wildlife through planned tree planting.

Andrew Campbell FAICD is now the Chief Executive Officer of the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research ([ACIAR](#)), in Canberra Australia.

His research interests span the interactions between climate, water, energy and agrifood systems, and the interface between knowledge, science and policy. He was previously Director of the Research Institute for the Environment and Livelihoods ([RIEL](#)) at Charles Darwin University, CEO of [Land & Water Australia](#), Managing Director of [Triple Helix Consulting](#), and Senior Executive in the Australian Government environment portfolio. He was instrumental in the development of Landcare, as Australia's first National Landcare Facilitator. Professor Campbell is a Visiting Fellow at the Australian National University's [Fenner School](#), a Fellow of the Australian Institute for Company Directors and a Commissioner with the IUCN's [World Commission on Protected Areas](#).

Andrew Campbell has written widely on landcare, knowledge management and sustainability issues for policy, science and general audiences. He trained in forestry at [Creswick](#) and the University of [Melbourne](#), then in rural sociology and knowledge systems at [Wageningen](#) Agricultural University in The Netherlands. Andrew Campbell is still involved in his family farm in western Victoria, where his family has been farming since the 1860s.

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