



Roland Jabbour Esq. J.P
Chairman Australian Arabic Council

Business Interests:

- Chairman of the Jabbour Holding Group of Companies
- Chairman of the Australian Agency for Education & Training
- Managing Director of the Cedar Jet Travel Group
- Chairman of the Australian Arab Chamber of Commerce and Industry (AACCI).Vic
- Founding and current director of the Australia Lebanon Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ALCCI)
- Founding and current director of the Australia Oman Business Council (AOBC)

Roland has extensive business and international trade relations experience. His business interests include property development and investments, traffic management, travel and tourism, international education and training. The Jabbour Holding group are based in Melbourne but have offices across the Middle East region. The group oversees major projects between Australia and the Arab region, representing Australian universities, as well as private sector and Government institutions.

Community Service:

- Founding and current Chairman of the Australian Arabic Council (AAC)
- Former Vice Chairman of the Council for Australian Arab Relations, (CAAR) Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (An Australian Federal Government appointment)
- Appointed on the recommendation of the Governor General as a Justice of the Peace for the State of Victoria.
- Admitted in 1991 as a member of the Royal Victorian Association of Honorary Justices
- Founding Chairman of the Darebin Ethnic Communities Council
- A founding member of the former Victorian Government Joint-Arabic Standing Committee on Educational Cooperation
- An appointed board Member for the Victorian Police and Community Multicultural Advisory Council (PACMAC)
- Appointed as a board member of the La Trobe University Centre for Dialogue
- Served as a member of the (Ismaa) reference group ,National consultations on eliminating prejudice against Arabs and Muslims in Australia (An Australian Human rights and equal opportunities commission project)
- Former member of Deakin University Academic Advisory Board on Arabic Studies
- Former member of Monash University Advisory Board to the Centre For Muslim Minorities & Islam Policy Studies
- Former Committee Member of the Northern Schools Network of Victoria

Background:

Roland has developed a high profile as a community leader through a long standing commitment to public service and community initiatives. Roland is well known and respected in government and semi government circles and is widely consulted on issues such as international relations, media, politics, and multiculturalism.

For many years, Roland has had an extensive involvement in the development of partnerships between Australia and the Arab region, facilitating business and trade relations that work to promote stronger ties between Australia and the Arab world.

Roland is the recipient of many awards from Australian and overseas Governments in recognition of his service to the Australian community. His awards include:

- Australian Medal for the centenary of federation of Australia, awarded on behalf of the Governor General & the Commonwealth of Australia, for service to the Australian Community
- Certificate of appreciation awarded by the Premier of Victoria in recognition of voluntary service to the community, (2001)
- Finalist for the Australian Ethnic Business awards, (2009)
- Nominated for the Australian of the Year award, (2004)

Interests: Roland's interests include sports cars, flying and general aviation.