

Patricia O'Neill
Chief Executive Officer, Cairns Chamber of Commerce

Patricia O'Neill is a senior leader with over 30 years' experience in senior management. As the CEO of the Cairns Chamber of Commerce, Patricia is a passionate advocate for business and industry in the Cairns and Far North Queensland region and is also the owner of two small businesses.

Patricia led the Chamber's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including establishing a direct line to key decision makers across all levels of government to ensure the needs of business and industry in the region were heard and responded to.

Patricia's career has been defined by her ability to formulate and drive clear and structured project strategies, build strong stakeholder engagement, manage teams, and deliver results. Previous to her role with the Cairns Chamber of Commerce, Patricia was the Head of Sales with News Corp – Cairns, a role in which she developed a strong understanding of stakeholder engagement, the media landscape as well as local business and industries across the region.