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## **In Tribute**

### ***Professor Alexander Kouzmin (1946 – 2011)***

On May 8<sup>th</sup> 2011 Professor Alexander Kouzmin passed away at his home aged 65 years. Alex had an outstanding career and tributes have flowed in from colleagues and friends worldwide. In homage to Alex we have included in this edition of JESP a shortened version of his latest CV which highlights some of his professional achievements.

Alex was the Book Editor for JESP. He was an exceptional academic and had an extraordinary career, as this shortened version of his CV will attribute to. Alex was a much loved and respected colleague and friend. He inspired many a stirring debate in the halls of Southern Cross University, and no doubt, through his legacy of publications, will continue to encourage inspired thinking and challenge commonly held beliefs for many years to come. He will be sorely missed by those who were fortunate enough to know him.

Professor Alex Kouzmin is survived by his wife Dr Ludmila Kouzmin, a linguist and artist, and his two children - Anton Kouzmin, an architect, and Marina Kouzmin, a marine biologist.



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## **Professor Alexander Kouzmin**

### **Curriculum Vitae**

Alexander Kouzmin was Professor of Management in the Southern Cross Business School (2010 - 2011); Adjunct Professor of Management in the School of Management at the University of South Australia (2007 - 2010); and Honorary Professor in the College of Social Sciences at the Kazakhstan Institute of Management, Economics and Strategic Research (2009 - 2011). He retired from full-time academic work on 20 July, 2005 but was invited to return in September, 2007 for a number of half-time Professorial research appointments. He held a Chair in Management in the Graduate College of Management, at Southern Cross University (April 2003 – July 2005). Previously, he held the Chair in Organizational Behaviour at the Cranfield School of Management, in England (August 2000 - January 2003), and, prior to that, he held the Foundation Chair in Management in the School of Management, and then the Graduate School of Management, at the University of Western Sydney (Nepean) (February 1991-August 2000). He has an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering (1967), an honours degree in Political Science (1970) and a post-graduate research degree in Political Science (1976), all from the University of Melbourne.

Prior to UWS (Nepean)/UWS, he practised as a civil engineer (1968 - 1970), taught Comparative Politics at the University of Melbourne (1970 - 1972) and taught Management and Organizational Design at the University of Canberra (1973 - 1990). Whilst in Canberra, he was extensively involved in Management Development programmes for many government departments and, in particular, with Senior Executive Service development initiatives. He has lectured at many other universities in Australia and abroad and has held Research Professorships at Rutgers University - Camden, USA (June/July 1994); Hochschule Für Verwaltungswissenschaften Speyer, Germany (September/November 1994) and Leiden University, The Netherlands (November/December 1994).

He has been a Visiting Professor in Management at the Cranfield School of Management (March 1998 - August 2000); the University of Tsukuba, Japan (September 2001); a Visiting Professor of Comparative Governance in the Faculty of Social Policy, University of Plymouth (2001 - 2004/2004 -2007); an Adjunct Professor in the School of Accounting and Information Systems, University of South Australia (June 2001 - May 2004); and Adjunct Professor of Management, School of Management, University of South Australia (2004 - 2007).

He was (1990 - 1998) a Member of the International Board of Overseers of the Netherlands School of Government (NSG), facilitating international placements

for senior executives and policy advisors from the Netherlands into Commonwealth and state ministries. He was (1994 - 1998) a Director of Crisisware Corporation Limited, an international crisis management consulting firm. He was a Member (1992 - 1994) of an International Advisory Group of Experts on Research and Publications in Public Management for the UN's Division of Transnational Corporations and Management, Department of Economic and Social Development. He was a Member (1991 - 1992) of the Commonwealth Review Committee which evaluated Australia's Defence Department's programme on natural disaster and civil defence capabilities; an Expert Advisor for the Government of Victoria on global trends in emergency management (1992); a Member of two specialist review panels evaluating school education-business partnerships in New South Wales (1992) and the effectiveness of Australian universities.

Industry R and D linkages for the Commonwealth Department of Employment, Education and Training (DEET) (1993); a Consultant to the Commonwealth Government on international oil spills (1994); Advisor and Visiting Lecturer with the RAAF Staff College, Fairbairn (1983 - 2000); and Visiting Lecturer at the Royal Military College, Duntroon (1975 - 1985). With many linkages into public sector agencies, he pioneered accredited, in-house management programmes for graduates and Senior Executives in the public sector and the banking industry.

He was the President of the International Public Safety Group (IPSG) (December 2003 - December 2005), a non-partisan foundation/charity organization, which focused on enhancing research into all aspects of Public Safety and Crisis management. He was (2000 - 2002) a Member of the 15th UN Group of Experts, advising the UN Programme on Public Economics and Public Administration and, during February-May, 2002, chaired the International Panel that conducted the Programme Evaluation of the International Nuclear Information System (INIS) within the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Vienna. In June 2007, He gave a Keynote Address on Ideology, Vulnerability and Regulation in the Privatized State., at the United Nations' 7th Global Forum on Reinventing Government on "Building Trust in Government", Vienna. He has also been a Director (1985 - 1991) on Board of Directors of the Snowy Mountains Engineering Corporation Limited (SMEC); one of Australia's then leading government business enterprises exporting international engineering consulting services and worked directly with four Ministers of State on R and D and Technology Policy.

He has been a Consultant to other international and government agencies in Australia, Europe and South-East Asia. The UN-affiliated Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration (EROPA), representing 13 Asian

governments and some 100 academic and management training institutes within the Asia-Pacific region, awarded him a Plaque of Recognition, in October 1991, for distinguished service to international management teaching and research. In 1996 and 1998, he received a Citation of Excellence for co-authored journal publications from ANBAR Electronic Intelligence, in England. In February 2004, The American Society for Public Administration (ASPA) awarded him, and two co-authors, the 2003 Mosher and Mosher Award for the best Public Administration Review paper written in that year. He has been listed with the 1987 inaugural publication of Who's Who in Engineering in Australia and New Zealand; since 1994, with Who's Who in Australia; and, since 2000, with The International Who's Who in Management Sciences. In 2005, he was listed with Blackwell's Directory of Expert Contact with the Media in the UK and USA.

He has been a long-standing member of many professional bodies, including the Australasian Political Studies Association (1968 - 1990); the Australian Institute for International Affairs (1969 -1990); the Institute of Public Administration, Australia (1971 - 2000); a Foundation Member of the Australian and New Zealand Association of Management Educators (1985 -1999); a Member of the Academy of Management (US)(1977 - 2000); and a Member of the Institution of Engineers, Australia (1968 - 2005).

An Australian citizen, he is fluent in both spoken and written Russian. His research interests include Organizational Design; IS/ICT Development and Vulnerabilities; Comparative and Cross-Cultural Management; Administrative Reform and Globalization; and Crisis Management. He has published ten books; the most recent being (with Bruce Cutting) *Re-founding Political Governance: The Metaphysics of Public Administration* (Bentham Science Publishers, 2011, pp. 1 - 223). He has contributed more than 80 chapters to national and international books, presented research papers and keynote addresses at more than 230 international congresses/symposia and has published, to date, some 240 research papers and review articles in leading international-refereed journals (refer to Google Scholar). He has supervised/ co-supervised 52 Doctoral candidates; has been an examiner for 27 Doctoral theses; is currently on nine international editorial boards, having served on 11 other international editorial boards over extended periods, and is a founding Co-editor of Blackwell's *International Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management*, published quarterly since March 1993.