

Australia NEWS RELEASE

ConocoPhillips identifies science education as a priority for industry **An investment encouraging students to consider a career in the sciences**

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ConocoPhillips Australia announced it has become the new naming rights sponsor for a national science education program, The Science Experience. The ConocoPhillips Science Experience will run in over 35 tertiary institutions across Australia, offering Year 9 and 10 students three or four days of hands-on science activities led by scientists who love their work.

ConocoPhillips President Australia-West, Todd Creeger said the program is an important investment to support the future development of science and mathematics talent across Australia.

"There is incredible competition to attract talented students into studying science and maths. This is a significant challenge for educators, governments and industry, in addressing Australia's skills shortage," Mr Creeger said.

"ConocoPhillips believes in investing in the development of talented students, which we support through our SPIRIT university scholarships and other entry pathways. Our objective is to encourage engineering, geoscience and environmental science students to consider a career in the energy industry.

"Our support of The ConocoPhillips Science Experience is an investment in education and the sciences across Australia. We are pleased to be associated with a program aimed to inspire students through hands-on science activities."

Science Schools Foundation Vice Chairman, Mr Rick Tudor OAM said that corporate support is vital to the success of the program, which delivers more than 35 programs annually.

"The Science Schools Foundation would not be able to reach so many students without the generous support of companies like ConocoPhillips. We are incredibly proud to have seen more than 63,000 students inspired since the program started in 1990," said Mr Tudor.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

About ConocoPhillips Australia

ConocoPhillips is a global exploration and production oil and gas company. With extensive operations in Australia and the Timor Sea, operations and exploration projects across Western Australia, Queensland, the Northern Territory and Timor-Leste, with a focus on innovation, safety and sustainability.

Headquartered in Houston, Texas, ConocoPhillips had operations and activities in 30 countries, \$57 billion in annualized revenue, \$118 billion of total assets, and approximately 17,100 employees as of 31 March 2013. Production from continuing operations averaged 1.56 MBOED for the three months ended 31 March 2013, and proved reserves were 8.6 billion BOE as of 31 Dec 2012.

In May 2013, ConocoPhillips Australia was the recipient of prestigious industry awards for safety and environmental excellence, from peak industry body the Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association (APPEA). With the Safety Excellence Award presented to ConocoPhillips for an unprecedented fourth consecutive year – an unmatched achievement in the history of the awards.

For more information go to: (www.conocophillips.com.au).

About The ConocoPhillips Science Experience

The program is designed to provide a hands-on opportunity to engage in fascinating science activities under the guidance of scientists who love their work. It also provides information about further studies in science, technology and engineering. It highlights the wide range of careers that allow students to pursue their interest and abilities in the sciences.

The Science Schools Foundation promotes the program to schools and its members. Dates for The ConocoPhillips Science Experience in WA are:

Curtin: 12-13 & 16-17 Dec 2013

ECU: 21-24 Jan 2014

UWA: 14-16 Jan 2014

For more information about the program or activities in other states go to:

(www.scienceexperience.com.au).