

MATHEW TRINCA

Dr Mat Trinca, Director of the National Museum of Australia, will present the opening address and formally open Congress 2015.



Dr Mathew Trinca is the Director of the National Museum of Australia. His current term of appointment is from 17 February 2014, for a period of five years. Mathew was the Acting Director of the National Museum from 2 July 2013. Since 2006, Mathew has been the Museum's Assistant Director, Collections, Content and Exhibitions, with responsibility for collections acquisition, management and preservation, redevelopment of permanent galleries, temporary and travelling exhibitions, and curatorial and research activities.

Mathew has a PhD in history from the University of Sydney and is also a graduate of the University of Western Australia. He has research interests in the social and cultural relationships between Britain and Australia, and in museological theory and practice.

Mathew joined the National Museum as a senior curator in 2003, after working as a history curator and manager of the MuseumLink program at the Western Australian Museum, in Perth. He previously worked as a consultant for public history projects including conservation plans, exhibition developments and short documentary films. Mathew has published papers on the history of Australian travel to London, on museums and their meaning, and has co-edited two books, *Country: Visions of Land and People in Western Australia* and *Under Suspicion: Citizenship and Internment in Australia during World War II*. He is also presently the Secretary of Museum's Australia's National Council Executive.