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Russell DIPPY is a Doctor of Public Safety Student at Charles Sturt University in Australia, and the Emergency Management Coordinator for the South Australia Police. This Australian police agency provides policing and emergency management to a large geographical part of Australia but with a relatively small population. Russell has held this role for over 20 years and has undertaken Operational and Strategic leadership roles through a range of emergency management responses to emergency events. On a day to day basis he provides holistic emergency management policy, training and management across the prevention and preparedness to emergencies and supports operational management of response and recovery operations. He provides extensive executive support and training to government and non-government agencies to support emergency management awareness and development. Russell is an active participant in many of Australia's national policy areas relative to emergency management.

He is a founding member of the Australian Emergency Management Assistance Team (EMAT) and was deployed to a large, complex coal mine fire to provide expert assistance. He was also deployed as part of the Australian Government Samoan Tsunami Health response in 2009 as part of the Australian Medical Assistance Team (AUSMAT). He provides regular input into National plans and doctrine to support the ongoing professional development of emergency management and emergency managers across Australia. Russell has a 35 years volunteer history with St John Ambulance in Australia (an international health organisation) and held various State leadership roles including State Superintendent and oversaw a national training initiative across the entire St John organisation as it moved to a competency based training program. He was awarded a Commander of the Order of St John (CStJ) for that work. He has provided national emergency management training at the former Australian Government Emergency Management Institute in Mt Macedon, Victoria.

Russell holds a various Diplomas in Management, Leadership, Business, Accounting, Volunteer Management and Training, a Vocational Graduate Certificate in Management (Learning), a Masters in Emergency Management in (with Distinction) from Charles Sturt University and is currently a Doctoral Student for the Doctor of Public Safety Program at Charles Sturt University. Russell's study is examining the Human Capacities of the Australian Emergency Manager. Russell is also the Oceania Council Treasurer for the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) and holds the Certified Emergency Management (CEM®) accreditation issued by IAEM. Russell has undertaken the Fellowship of the Academy of Emergency Management (FAcEM) in the United States and is also a member of the Australasian Institute of Emergency Services. He has a strong passion toward the development of the emergency management profession within Australia, with an aim to recognise this role as separate to the role of managing the response agencies and their work.