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Gerard Florian to retire from ANZ

ANZ today announced Gerard Florian has decided to retire as Group Executive Technology & Group Services on 4 August 2025 to pursue a non-executive career after a 40-year career in technology.

Mr Florian first joined ANZ in 2017 as Group Executive Technology and has been responsible for driving ANZ's technology strategy as well as building and managing the Group's technology infrastructure. Before joining ANZ, Mr Florian also served 18 months as an advisor to the Group Board as a member of the ANZ International Technology and Digital Business Advisory Panel.

ANZ Chief Executive Officer Nuno Matos said: "While I have only worked with Gerard for a short period of time, he leaves ANZ having driven important changes through the organisation. Our customer and banker experience is notably better due to the adoption of cloud services, artificial intelligence and enterprise platforms, championed by Gerard. His focus on making ANZ an organisation easier to partner with has been a hallmark of his time at ANZ.

"Gerard can be particularly proud of the work he has done to build diverse teams within technology. He also leaves a lasting legacy through his sponsorship of our Abilities Network, which strives to improve the employee or customer experience for those with a disability," Mr Matos said.

Current ANZ Bank New Zealand Limited Chief Information Officer, Michael Bullock, has been appointed Acting Group Executive, Technology & Group Services while a global search is undertaken. Mr Florian will assist with a comprehensive transition.

Having joined ANZ in 2009, Mr Bullock has significant international Financial Services experience in technology, payments and operations. Before joining ANZ, he held senior roles at Citi in New York and London and has previously served as Chief Operations Officer for ANZ in New Zealand and the Pacific and Head of Institutional Operations.

Mr Matos added: "Michael is a highly experienced technology executive who I know will do an outstanding job leading our technology function while we conduct a global search for our next technology leader. His work in leading the successful delivery of the BS11 regulatory project in New Zealand has him well placed to lead technology during a period where we will have an intense focus on improving our approach to non-financial risk."

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