# A message from her Excellency, the Honourable Ms Sam Mostyn AC, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia: Video description and transcript

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## Introduction

This is the accessible text transcript welcome message video created for attendees at the Woman on Agricultural Boards event on 17 September 2024.

## Transcript

[Video begins]

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[Audio]: Good morning to you all at Australia's Parliament House. Thank you for attending this important session. You are driving change in a sector that is critical to Australia's future and strengthening our community.

As you all know, gender inequality exists across every sphere of life. But addressing inequality isn't just about equity. It's about unlocking Australia's potential. It goes to the quality of decision making and governance, and that will always be better. When there are more women in the room, A board that creates space for inclusive representation will always make a bigger impact.

Networks of women are a powerful catalyst for change by making connections, having conversations and empowering each other. When women step up to leadership, they leave a legacy for those who come after.

You know that agriculture is a cornerstone of Australia's economy. Its long history embeds it in our culture and identity, and women have always played a critical role in the agricultural sector. They have earned a place in the board room.

So best of luck for your conversation today and on behalf of the women of Australia, thank you for opening the door so that so many more can follow.

[Video ends]

[End of transcript.]

**Acknowledgement of Country**

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of Australia and their continuing connection to land and sea, waters, environment and community. We pay our respects to the Traditional Custodians of the lands we live and work on, their culture, and their Elders past and present.

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