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Susan Jeanes is the Chief Executive of the Australian Geothermal Energy Association (AGEA) the national body representing the Australian geothermal energy industry. Susan is also Managing Director of new energy directions (ned). ned works with progressive energy companies to promote their contribution to climate change and sustainability solutions to government and to the general public.

Susan has previously worked in the political arena, serving in the Federal Parliament as the Member for Kingston and working as an Advisor to the former Environment and Heritage Minister Robert Hill on climate change and energy policy. She has also worked for a number of shadow ministers in various portfolio areas prior to the election of the Howard Government in 1996. Susan also held the position of Chief Executive of the Renewable Energy Generators of Australia (REGA) until October 2007.

Susan has tertiary qualifications in the areas of Australian politics, political theory and environmentalism and she produces occasional columns as a political commentator. She is also a Director of The Climate Institute, a Member of the CSIRO's Energy and Transport Sector Advisory Council and a Director of the Institute of Minerals and Energy at the University of Adelaide.