



## **Professor Paul Zimmet AO**

Professor Zimmet is Professor of Diabetes at Monash University and formerly Director Emeritus, Baker IDI Heart and Diabetes Institute, and is an Honorary President of the IDF. He has an outstanding international record in diabetes and obesity research, both basic, and in epidemiology and public health research studies that predicted then charted the evolving global type 2 diabetes epidemic. He has published over 1000 papers and is listed in the 2015 and 2016 Thomson Reuter's "Worlds-Most-Influential-Scientific-Minds" and Clarivate Analytics 2018 Highly Cited Researchers having produced highly cited papers ranking in the top 1% for a publication field and year. . He is co-editor of the major and widely used "International Textbook of Diabetes Mellitus" and also co-editor of "The Epidemiology of Diabetes" now in its 3rd edition.

His international and national awards include the Kelly West and Harold Rifkin Medals (American Diabetes Association), the Kellion Award (Australian Diabetes Society), the Banting Award (Diabetes UK) and the A.M. Cohen Memorial Award and Lecture, EASD (Jerusalem 2000), the Hellmut Mehnert/German Diabetes Union Award, EASD (Munich 2004). He received the Grand Hamdan International Prize for Medical Sciences (Dubai) in 2010 and in 2013, the Peter Wills Medal from Research Australia which recognises an Australian scientist who has made an outstanding contribution to building Australia's international reputation in health and medical research. In 2015, he gave the Howard Florey Oration honouring the Nobel Prize recipient and Australian scientist associated with the discovery of penicillin. He presented the International Diabetes Federation Award Lecture at the 2015 World Diabetes Congress.

He is an International Member of the Spanish Royal National Academy of Medicine and holds Honorary Doctorates from Tel Aviv University, Madrid's Complutense University, Monash University, and the University of Adelaide. In 1993, he received the "Order of Australia (AM)" for distinguished services to medicine and education, particularly in the field of diabetes. In 2001, he was again honoured as an Officer of the Order (AO) for medical research of national and international significance, particularly in diabetes, and for contributions to Australia's biotechnology development.

He was Co-Chair of the National Diabetes Strategy Advisory Committee for the development of the 2016-2020 Diabetes Strategy and he has been recently recognised nationally as the 2018 Senior Victorian Australian of the Year.