

ABOUT US

In Your Interest Financial Planning is owned by Christoph Schnelle and Nicky Lessing.

'We set up the company to be independent and free from outside influences and financial institutions. This allows us to act solely In Your Interest.'

We act only for our clients, are independently owned and have no links or ties to any financial institution. We are a member of FYG Planners which is an organisation of like-minded planners and our licensor. As a group we have well over \$1 billion dollars under management. This gives us valuable group purchasing power and access to all the latest research and information.'

Christoph is a fully qualified and licensed financial planner. Christoph founded and ran a multimillion dollar company with 35 employees that attracted many millions in government R&D funding and venture capital investment and is the author of four high-tech patents. Having sold the company in 2003, Christoph enjoys sharing his investment, business and financial skills so that his clients can achieve and maintain financial harmony and independence.

Nicky manages the compliance, organisational and administrative aspects of *In Your Interest Financial Planning*. She has extensive business experience and was previously the CEO of a successful legal publisher.

Our first meeting is always free and we will only give you an obligation-free quote for our services if we feel that we can be of substantial value for you. For specific investment advice we usually charge about \$600. For a full Statement of Advice which involves 20-30 hours of work and several rounds of going back and forth with the client, our fee is normally between \$2,500 and \$5,000. We never charge for insurance advice.

Please contact us for an obligation free chat.



Christoph Schnelle
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Nicky Lessing
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'We have clients all over Australia and can easily communicate by email, telephone and post.'

For those who prefer face-to-face meetings we cover the Brisbane, Tweed, Byron, Ballina, Lismore and Gold Coast regions. We also visit clients interstate and further afield as required.'

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- ~ SUPERANNUATION
- ~ RISK INSURANCE
- ~ RETIREMENT PLANNING



'Providing clear and up-front financial knowledge – so that the client is truly served by being completely informed.'

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INVESTMENT ADVICE

In Your Interest Financial Planning provides advice on how to improve the performance of your investments, be it property, cash, bonds or shares. We help you to find out which investment or investment mix is right for you. We can show you how to increase your returns and how to reduce your taxes.



SUPERANNUATION

Superannuation is not an investment by itself but a tax advantaged way to invest. Is it the right way to invest for you and, if yes, what are the right investments and investment structures within superannuation for you? We also advise on Self Managed Superannuation Funds, Pensions and Transition to Retirement Pensions.



RISK INSURANCE

If you have a mortgage, debts or dependants then you may have obligations that you cannot meet if you die or become ill. The right Life or Income Protection Insurance can make sure that there will be enough money if you ever were to be unable to work.

Income Protection Insurance is an act of caring for yourself and your family. Life Insurance is an act of caring for your dependants.



RETIREMENT PLANNING

We can model your current financial situation and advise on how far you are from financial independence.

For those considering government support, we help you to maximise your age pension and other government benefits such as the health card and see whether it makes sense to structure your affairs accordingly.

FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE

Achieving financial independence is a very enjoyable experience. The ability to work if, when, where and how you want is very liberating. You may not want to work at all or you may work part-time or you may work harder than ever whilst having great fun – financial independence means that it is your choice.

If you have already achieved financial independence we can advise you on how to safeguard your freedom and how to arrange your financial matters in a way that is to your liking and fits with your preferences.



'Understanding money allows you to have less stress and, it helps it flow more easily.'



TESTIMONIALS

Christoph is a remarkably astute and insightful individual whose breadth of knowledge and expertise in financial planning was invaluable in helping to guide and inform our investment decisions. The accuracy, clarity and quality of the advice that we received from Christoph was carefully detailed and wholly cognisant of our individual situation and our long term objectives.

JL & NS, SYDNEY, NEW SOUTH WALES



Christoph has provided me with financial planning, thoughtful follow-up and personalised information with the utmost integrity. He has guided me through a thorough process to develop a comprehensive financial plan with on-going support and contact.

Through this process I have enjoyed learning and being educated in financial matters that concern me and suit my interest and lifestyle.

SHIRL, OCEAN GROVE, VICTORIA



Thank you so much for your guidance and kindness.

JOSIE D, MELBOURNE

Christoph has a unique way with financial planning, he helps you understand not just what to do with the dollars and cents but also your relationship to the dollars and cents. How we work with our money is now quite different and we thank Christoph for this (and his amazing capacity for information and numbers). Being on the other side of the country provides no barrier to the quality of the advice or service we receive.

JL & NS PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA



Someone I can ask the really 'dumb' questions I would be too embarrassed to ask other professionals, not just out of ignorance but because I know I won't understand the answer! What I like about Christoph is that he is very patient in explaining so that I understand and that I trust him to make the choice if I don't completely get it AND that he attends to all the paper work!!!

Very important for an organisationally challenged person where almost everything is a work-in-progress! Otherwise crucial matters can be organisationally delayed for years because they get added to the too hard/avoidance list.

VIVIEN, LISMORE, NEW SOUTH WALES



I have developed a confidence in Christoph's knowledge and attention to the detail of my individual financial situation.

As a small business, Christoph has offered strategic advice around restructuring loans, property depreciation schedules, salary sacrifice, the benefits of which have well covered the fees. A comprehensive financial plan was of great assistance as I arrived into my 6th decade!

The patience, efficiency and thoroughness with which questions and enquiries are followed up make IYI easy to recommend. I have been treated with respect and gentleness.

BG, MELBOURNE, VICTORIA