

ANU eResearch Reference Group

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The ANU eResearch Reference Group is charged with the strategic oversight of the University's eResearch activities, including eResearch infrastructure.

Role

The ANU eResearch Reference Group shall be advisory to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) on the strategic priorities, planning, management and organisation of eResearch related activities at the ANU.

The responsibilities of the ANU eResearch Reference Group include, but are not limited to:

Establishment of an eResearch strategy

- i. To ensure that the ANU is a national leader in technology enhanced research
- ii. To provide researchers with access to technological tools and advice that will improve research activity
- iii. To enhance collaboration opportunities for ANU researchers
- iv. To capture the data management requirements needed to support these activities

Cultivation of an eResearch culture

- i. To develop a framework for understanding the place and use of ICT in research practice
- ii. To provide explicit leadership through senior University research staff
- iii. To create incentives and opportunities for researchers to adopt eResearch practices
- iv. To ensure a strong linkage with ANU ITS to ensure researchers have access to ICT services and resources that support eResearch

Governance of eResearch

- i. To integrate eResearch into the University's policies and procedures via reporting through the Academic Board Research Committee
- ii. To ensure alignment of investment in ICT and Library services and research support via reporting through the University IT Committee

Membership

- Chair appointed by DVC (Research)
- · Chief Information Officer
- Director, NCI
- Nominee of the DVC (Research)
- · University Librarian
- College GM representative
- College Research Representatives (4-6 people from College e-research committees or with relevant research programs and understanding of e-research)

Meetings

- The ANU eResearch Reference Group will meet on a bi-monthly basis
- A quorum for meetings shall be the nearest whole number above one half of the membership
- The Executive Officer, DVC(R) will record minutes of the meeting and forward these to members within two weeks of the meeting