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auDA is pleased to announce the composition of the Tender Process Committee and the Tender Evaluation Committee applicable to the Registry Transformation Project.

Tender Process Committee

Dr Bruce Tonkin (Chairman) – Project Lead, Registry Transformation Project, auDA

Mr Peter Mason (Secretariat) – Project Manager, Registry Transformation Project, auDA

Dr Stephen Arnott PSM – Acting First Assistant Secretary, Strategy and Projects, Department of Communications and the Arts

Dr Liz Williams – Principal Consultant, Information Services Group, Inc (ISG)

Adjunct Professor Nigel Phair – Director, The Centre for Internet Safety, University of Canberra

Mr Jay Daley – Chief Executive, NZRS Ltd

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The purpose of the Tender Process Committee is to provide input on the tender process to attract and evaluate suitable products, technology and or services, and consider the tender management plan to ensure the tender process adheres to sound commercial practice. The Tender Process Committee will not make any formal assessment of the responses to the Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI).

Tender Evaluation Committee

Dr Bruce Tonkin (Chairman) – Project Lead, Registry Transformation Project, auDA

Mr Peter Mason (Secretariat) – Project Manager, Registry Transformation Project, auDA

Mr Jeff Schmidt – CEO, JAS Global Advisors, Chicago (alt. Mr Kevin White)

Mr Colin Egan – Partner and Lead of PPB Advisory's Corporate Advisory Practice, Melbourne. (alt. Mr Peter Morris)

Mr Cameron Whitfield – Partner, PwC Digital Practice Group, Melbourne

Mr Charlie Offer – Partner, Cybersecurity, Ernst & Young, Melbourne (alt. Mr Mark Dingle)

Probity Auditors: KPMG Australia

The purpose of the Tender Evaluation Committee is to review and evaluate the responses to the REOI and the Request for Tender (RFT). The review will be against criteria developed as part of the tender documentation, and will include at least the following elements:

- Value for Money – taking into account financial and non-financial costs
- Ability to meet and exceed the registry technical specifications
- Ability to meet and deliver on Registry Transformation Project goals
- Security capabilities – with respect to Security, Confidentiality, Integrity and Availability
- Flexibility – including the ability to make changes to software to customise for auDA's requirements and the degree of ongoing innovation
- Whole-of-life costs – including payment model (e.g. upfront versus ongoing charges)
- Experience and performance history in applying services to a TLD of similar scale and complexity of .au

The composition of both the Tender Process Committee and the Tender Evaluation Committee brings together extensive experience and expertise in the relevant areas necessary to provide objective, informed and responsive advice to the process, and to make an assessment in the best interests of the Australian community.

Both Committees commence with their respective roles with immediate effect.

auDA expects to make an announcement on the next steps of the tender process in the week of 24 July 2017. auDA will also be publishing an updated set of technical specifications in August for review by the Registrar Liaison Committee and for public comment.

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