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Submission to auDA's 2026-30 Draft Strategy consultation

The Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts (the Department) submits the following comments in relation to the .au Domain Administration's (auDA's) draft 2026-30 Strategy.

The Department is the Australian Government's lead agency on Internet governance matters, and manages the Government's relationship with auDA as administrator of the .au domain. The Department welcomes the release of auDA's draft 2026-30 Strategy and is supportive of the direction, objectives and proposed activities outlined for the term of the Strategy.

In the context of a pivotal period in Internet governance, we are pleased to see significant alignment between the draft Strategy and the Australian Government's recently-reviewed Terms of Endorsement for auDA's role as .au domain manager.

auDA continues to play an important role in safeguarding .au as a critical resource for all Australians, and in actively advocating for multistakeholder Internet governance both domestically and globally. We look forward to continuing to work constructively with auDA as it implements this Strategy.

The Department consents to the publication of this submission.

Yours sincerely

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