

# **Record of Meeting**

Meeting	General Advisory Standing Committee	
Date / Time	Wednesday 7 May 2025 @ 11.00am - 1.00pm (AEDT)	
Location	via Microsoft Teams Meeting	
Present	Keith Besgrove (Chair) Dr Peter Langkamp, OAM Nadia Moffatt, OAM Sae Ra Germaine Caroline Greenway	Andrew Williams Susan Kelso Ajoy Ghosh Cleo Kerama
In attendance	Dr Bruce Tonkin, auDA CEO Jane Smith, auDA's CPCO Sonia Joksimovic, auDA CoSec	Sophie Mitchell, auDA CCO Jordan Carter, Internet Governance and Policy Director
Invitees	Pip Anderson – Manager, Bendelta (agenda 1-4) Margaret Pettitt, Principal Consultant, Bendelta (agenda 1-4) Sophie O'Shea, auDA Corporate Communications Manager	
Apologies	Dr Paul Harrison Peter Elford, auDA Director (and Committee Rep) Sandra Davey, auDA Director (and Committee Rep)	

#### 1. Welcome and Introduction

The Chair welcomed all members present noting apologies and opened the meeting at 11.06am.

The Chair confirmed a quorum was present.

## 2. Acknowledgment of Country

The Chair acknowledged the traditional owners of the land upon which the Committee was meeting, including members attending remotely and paid respects to elders past and present.

## 3. Declaration of Interests

The Chair noted the standing Declaration of Interest Register and confirmed from all present, if there were any conflicts or updated interests to be declared, which was noted.

**Action:** Dr Peter Langkamp noted an interest to be updated on the register, confirming there was no conflict [CoSec, May 2025]

# 4. Consultation/ Workshop; auDA's [Draft] 2026-2030 Strategy

The Chair invited auDA's CEO, Dr Bruce Tonkin to provide an overview on auDA's [draft] 2026-2030 Strategy, which included the history of auDA and its evolution with key strategic developments to date, including input from the 2024 future scenario project.

The workshop was supported by representatives from <u>Bendelta</u>, who have assisted auDA in the strategy development process.

The Committee noted <u>auDA's 2026–30 Draft Strategy Consultation Paper</u> was released on 16 April 2025 for public consultation and emailed to the Committee, with members invited to provide feedback.

The Committee commended auDA's CEO on 'member' description referenced within the presentation, following the GASC's recent Membership Workshop consultation with auDA's Board.

The Committee considered and provided feedback on the following three key areas:

#### 1. Clarity:

- Does auDA's Draft 2026–30 Strategy establish a clear strategic direction for the organisation?
- Is the intended direction and long-term focus clear and coherent?
- Does anything feel ambiguous or underexplained?

### 2. Alignment:

- Whether auDA's Draft 2026–30 Strategy supports it to deliver on the proposed strategic purpose and vision by 2030?
- Are the strategic pillars/initiatives likely to deliver on the purpose?
- Is there the right balance between ambition and realism?

#### 3. Preparedness:

- Whether auDA's Draft 2026–30 Strategy effectively positions auDA to meet the operational challenges and capitalise on the opportunities it faces over 2026– 30?
- Are key trends and risks sufficiently accounted for?
- · Are there any future scenarios where this strategy might fall short?

The Committee encouraged auDA to have a greater focus on specific and measurable OKRs, including strategic projects.

**Action:** GASC to consider *The Online Safety Act* for possible advice to be provided to the auDA Board [GASC, May 2025]

Action: Bendelta encouraged participants to provide feedback in the Miro link (<a href="https://miro.com/app/board/uXjVI78lfzc=/?share\_link\_id=48643685928">https://miro.com/app/board/uXjVI78lfzc=/?share\_link\_id=48643685928</a>) to assist the next iteration of auDA's Strategy, anytime up to the closing date 16 May 2025 [GASC, May 2025]

Action: Distribute a copy of Strategy Presentation to the Committee [CoSec, May 2025]

Bendelta representatives left the meeting.

## 5. Previous Record of Meeting – 3 December 2024

The Committee reviewed the draft record of the meeting held 3 December 2024 and **resolved** to approve the record of the meeting, as true and correct.

## 6. Actions Arising from the Previous Meeting

The Committee noted an update on previous meeting actions, with the Chair confirming all actions have been completed.

## 7. Correspondence

The Committee noted the following correspondence, which was taken as read:

- 10 October 2024 Correspondence to auDA's Board Chair on August 2024
   Membership Strategy Reflection.
- 8 December 2024 Correspondence to auDA's Board Chair on Internet Governance; and
- 25 March 2025 Response from auDA's Board Chair on Membership Strategy and Internet Governance.

#### 8. Internet Governance Articles

The Committee noted the following internet Governance Articles emailed out-ofsession for members information:

- 27 April 2025 <u>ISP Column April 2025</u>
- 30 April 2025 A recent meeting of an obscure UN body reveals how the Trump administration is challenging decades of consensus-based work on internet development. (Source: Atlantic Council: <a href="https://search.app/hyiQbYjqhBfq6YoW8">https://search.app/hyiQbYjqhBfq6YoW8</a>); and
- FACT Sheet on Internet Governance, published from ICANN 31 March 2025, as included in the papers.

## 9. Reflections from the 2025 GASC Activities

The Committee noted the reflections from the 2024 GASC Activities, summarised by the Chair and provided to the auDA Directors for its 5 February 2025 Board meeting, which was taken as read.

## 10. Workplan for 2025

The Committee noted the current Workplan and further noted an evolution and approval of auDA's 2026-2030 Strategy will inform next steps for the Committee.

## 11. Any Other Business

No other Business was noted.

# 12. Meeting Close / Next Meeting

The Chair confirmed there were no further comments or questions from the Committee.

The Committee noted that the next meeting is scheduled, **Wednesday 18 June 2025 at 11.00am - 1.00pm.** 

The Chair closed the meeting at 12.47pm.

Signed as a true and correct record.

### **Keith Besgrove**

Committee Chair

Date: