

# Record of Meeting

Meeting	General Advisory Standing Committee Meeting	
Date / Time	Tuesday 13 September 2022 /3.00pm – 5.00pm AEDT	
Location	<b>Hybrid:</b> Australian Computer Society 27.02 Boardroom, Level 27, Tower 1, International Towers, 199 Barangaroo Avenue, Sydney and via Microsoft Teams	
Present	Keith Besgrove, Chair Nadia Moffatt, OAM Ajoy Ghosh Dr Paul Harrison Sae Ra Germaine	Caroline Greenway Susan Kelso Cleo Kerama Andrew Williams Dr Peter Langkamp, OAM
In attendance	Bruce Tonkin, auDA COO Colin Brown, auDA CPCO	Sonia Joksimovic, auDA Co Sec Sandra Davey, auDA Director
Invitee	Peter Elford, auDA Director	
Apologies	Rosemary Sinclair AM, auDA CEO Sophie Mitchell, auDA CCO	

## 1. Welcome and Introduction

The Chair welcomed all members present and opened the meeting at 3.04pm.

The Chair welcomed auDA's Director, Peter Elford to the meeting and noted apologies from auDA's CEO, Rosemary Sinclair and auDA's CCO, Sophie Mitchell.

## 2. Acknowledgment of Country

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

## 3. Declaration of Interests

The Chair confirmed from all present, that there were no conflicts of interest to be declared.

## 4. Approve the Previous Record of Meeting

The Committee reviewed the draft record of the meeting held 16 June 2022 and **resolved** to approve the record of the meeting, as true and correct.

## 5. Actions Arising from the Previous Meeting

The Committee noted an update on previous meeting actions.

## 6. auDA's Membership Update

Dr Paul Harrison was invited to update the Committee on the membership subcommittee discussions that were progressed offline with auDA Management, between fellow members Susan Kelso and Andrew Williams.

The Committee noted the critical methodology elements, which impacts member behaviour to then inform value proposition and strategic focus.

**Action:** It was **agreed** a subcommittee briefing, which lends itself to a number of iterations between now and the next six months, will be prepared for the auDA Board, to assist auDA's consideration of membership options [Dr Paul Harrison, March 2023].

There were no further comments noted or questions raised by the Committee.

## 7. Internet Governance Update

The Committee noted the Internet Governance Paper, which was taken as read.

The Chair invited Caroline Greenway to provide an overview on the key opportunities for auDA to expand its role in Internet Governance, with proposed scenarios for consideration in framing its future internet governance activities, which was discussed.

The Chair invited feedback from the Committee, on the proposed four tabled scenarios, which were discussed:

- Domestic Internet Governance
- International Internet Governance
- Global Internet Governance [including]:
  - Business As Usual
  - Evolution of Multi-stakeholder Model
  - ITU Ascendent; and
  - The Dawn of the Splinternet

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU), WSIS and the Other UN Processes were also canvassed in the discussion.

The Committee noted macro level complexities on internet governance and disturbances which were not helped by Australian's absence in important and international forums.

auDA's COO provided Domestic and International Internet Governance observations, suggesting a multi-stakeholder approach will assist content regulation.

The Committee provided the following feedback:

- An education opportunity to promote the importance of the internet and its governance, as key components of Australia's economy and society.
- Recommendation of a Fellowship Program (through auDA Foundation) to assist growth with the internet governance cohort.
- Collaboration with the Technical Advisory Committee members to then understand key roles and representation both domestically and internationally, to help inform how auDA may be impacted by the tabled scenarios.

**Action:** It was **agreed** the proposed scenarios would be discussed separately with auDA's CEO Rosemary Sinclair, COO Bruce Tonkin and Internet Governance and Policy Director, Jordan Carter [Chair, December 2022].

**Action:** It was **further agreed** an iteration on the Internet Governance Paper, following Committee feedback and discussion with auDA Management, would be progressed by the subcommittee which includes Keith Besgrove, Caroline Greenway, Sae Ra Germaine and Dr Peter Langkamp [Internet Governance Subcommittee, March 2023].

The Chair noted the Committee stands ready to elaborate on any of the issues raised in the tabled paper, should the Board ask it to do so.

## 8. 2022 Committee Workplan

Following the last Committee meeting, the Chair spoke to the draft 2022 Committee Workplan, which was discussed

**Action:** The Chair noted subject areas agreed to be led by subcommittees, which members have agreed to be involved in, will assist the Committee's future focus and be updated in the next workplan iteration [Chair, December 2022].

There were no further comments noted by the Committee.

## 9. Update on 2022 auDA Foundation Grants Program

The CPCO was invited to update the Committee on auDA's Foundation 2022 Grants Program launch, which occurred in Sydney on 10 August 2022.

The CPCO noted a virtual reality tool from Dementia Australia had been showcased at the launch, following its successful 2021 grant award.

It was noted the 2022 auDA Foundation Grants application closed midnight Friday 9 September 2022 with 151 applications received, an increase of 108 applications from that received in 2021.

Application recommendations will be tabled at the auDA December 2022 Board meeting for approval.

The CPCO provided an outline on auDA's Innovation Impact Investment Strategy. It was noted a final report is scheduled for the auDA Foundation Board in February 2023, with a proposed launch date of July 2023.

Peter Elford encouraged feedback from the Committee to help inform auDA's Innovation Impact Investment Strategy.

There were no further comments noted or questions raised by the Committee.

## 10. auDA Membership/Community Events

The Committee noted auDA's 2022 Member and Stakeholder Events schedule.

The CPCO provided an update on upcoming webinars, which was noted.

## 11. Meeting Close / Next Meeting

The Chair invited Nadia Moffatt and Cleo Kerama to provide an update on their collaboration to assist diversity and cultural inclusion consideration for the Committee, noting discussions with auDA Management remain in discovery phase.

**Action:** It was **agreed** a subcommittee briefing, will be prepared, to assist auDA's diversity and cultural inclusion consideration [Nadia Moffatt & Cleo Kerama, June 2023].

The Chair confirmed there were no further questions from the Committee and thanked all members for their time and contribution at the meeting.

The Committee noted that the next meeting is scheduled in Melbourne, **Tuesday 13 December 2022 at 3.00pm – 5.00pm.**

The Meeting closed at 4.35pm.

Signed as a true and correct record.

**Keith Besgrove**  
Committee Chair

Date: