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NATIONAL COMMITTEES FOR SCIENCE National Committee for Data in Science

2009 BUSINESS PLAN or WORK PLAN, including TIMELINES AND PROPOSED BUDGETS

1. Aims of this National Committee.

Promote enduring access to Australia's scientific data assets.

- Promote and facilitate Data in Science across all disciplines of Australian Science
- Provide a national voice for Data in Science, and represent and promote Australian science in international science data management forums.
- Organise a regular National Data in Science workshop
- Cross-fertilise data management techniques across disciplines
- Promote data management policies and protocols in Australian science, encouraging Open Access policies, and overcoming the Digital Divide.
- Promote standards for data exchange within and across disciplines.

2. Strategies to allow these aims to be achieved.

- Encourage participation where possible in appropriate national and international bodies and societies, in particular CODATA and ICSU
- Encourage sharing of development plans across data management interests, including ANDS, ARCS, CAUL, CAUDIT, and national institutions managing data in and for the research sector
- Run a national cross-disciplinary workshop on the development of Data in Science
- Foster improved research community understanding of the knowledge discovery opportunities made possible by Data in Science

3. Plan of work/activities (and proposed budget details) in 2009 which will achieve the aims:

a. National

- i. Meet as a committee with invitees from relevant parties, to plan the means for progressing activities (in February 2009)
- ii. Develop a summary of developments supporting Data Science achieved during 2009 by national investments (including NCRIS)
- iii. Hold a Data Science workshop to coincide with the Australasian eResearch conference to be held in November 2009

A budget of \$2,500 will be used to defray travel costs for the meeting and room hire costs for the workshop.

b. International Scientific Union

- i. The next general assembly for CODATA is in 2010
- ii. Ray Norris will continue on the Executive Committee of CODATA through 2009, including an Executive Committee Meeting in Paris in March 2009