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NATIONAL COMMITTEES FOR SCIENCE **National Committee for _____**

2011 BUSINESS PLAN or WORK PLAN **Including TIMELINES for up to 5 years**

1. Aims of the National Committee for Radio Science

The National Committee for Radio Science (NCRS) is a committee of the Australian Academy of Science. Its aims are to

- Enhance the dissemination of information and collaboration across the multidisciplinary subject of radio science,
- Propose and encourage radio science activities in Australia, jointly with other bodies or independently,
- Liaise with the International Union of Radio Science (URSI) and other appropriate national and international bodies and societies,
- Ensure the maximum participation by Australian scientists in relevant activities of URSI, and keep URSI informed at appropriate times of Australian opinions and plans in the discipline of radio science, and
- Develop the ability and recognition to enable it to act as the peak body for Australian radio science.

2. Strategies to Enable these Aims to be Achieved

- Run the biennial WARS Conferences (National role),
- Support URSI by managing the Australian delegation and input to the General Assembly and to other meetings of URSI Commissions (International Role),
- Maintain and enhance the NCRS web site as a repository of data on the radio science community and its activities in Australia, and as a means of communication among that community,
- Strengthen links with other organisations and societies in Australia with radio science and radio science related interests, and
- Improve the visibility of radio science among various stakeholders within Australia.

3. Plan of Work/Activities in 2011 which will achieve the Aims

National

- Investigate options for sustainable running of national technical meetings (including the Workshop on Applications of Radio Science) so as to maximise participation from the several scientific communities and cross disciplinary engagement.
- Promote the activities of URSI, especially by means of attendance at the General Assembly and Scientific Session in Istanbul in 2011.
- Investigate better ways of developing a sense of community among radio scientists in Australia through collaboration and participation in radio science and related activities.



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International Scientific Union

- Ensure all Scientific Commissions are actively represented among the Australian radio science community.
- Encourage Australian scientists to contribute to the Radio Science Bulletin and Radio Science Journal, and ensure that Australian radio science activities are regularly reported to URSI through this means.
- Prepare, through the new committee membership and other means, for the 2011 General Assembly of URSI by active participation in Scientific Commissions and identification of speakers for special sessions.

4. Proposed Budget

Summary:

1. Annual meeting of the NCRS in 2011 - \$3,000
2. Three members to represent Australia at the URSI General Assembly in 2011 - \$7,500
3. Web site development (subsidised by surplus from WARS 2010) - \$2,500

Note: This plan will be published on the National Committee page of the Academy of Science website www.science.org.au/natcoms.

Please complete and return this form by 14 January 2011 to:

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