



Australia's international research collaboration Public hearing in Melbourne

The House of Representatives Industry, Science and Innovation Committee will conduct another public hearing for its inquiry into Australia's international research collaboration on Friday 9 April in Melbourne.

The Committee will meet with a diverse group of witnesses listed below, and will discuss the nature of existing collaboration, the benefits of international scientific collaboration, impediments to successful collaboration, and strategies for supporting international research engagement.

The inquiry is examining areas of research that can deliver many benefits to Australia and its international research partners.

"International research collaboration delivers tangible benefits to many stakeholders, both in Australia and overseas, reducing costs and sharing in expertise", Committee Chair Maria Vamvakinou said.

"This inquiry focuses on understanding how Australian scientists collaborate with colleagues overseas, and is looking at ways international research collaborations can be better supported".

PUBLIC HEARING PROGRAM

Friday 9 April 2010 – 9.30am to 3.45pm

**Committee Room G6, Victorian Parliament Committee Rooms
55 St. Andrews Place, East Melbourne**

- 9.30am** **Victoria-based universities roundtable (submissions 19, 31, 45, 51, 59)**
- 11.00am** **Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute (submission 53)**
- 11.45am** **Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering
(submission 63)**
- 1.15pm** **Research Australia (submission 62)**
- 2.15pm** **Dairy Australia (submission 41)**
- 3.00pm** **National Tertiary Education Union (submission 26)**

Further details, including the terms of reference, membership of the Committee and advice on making submissions can be obtained on the Committee's website at:

www.aph.gov.au/isi

For media comment: contact the Committee Chair Ms Maria Vamvakinou on 0417 541 465.

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