



Australia's international research collaboration Public hearing in Sydney

The House of Representatives Industry, Science and Innovation Committee will conduct its third public hearing for its inquiry into Australia's international research collaboration on Thursday 8 April in Sydney.

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

Thursday 8 April 2010 – 9.30am to 4.00pm

Rooms 814/815, Parliament of New South Wales, Macquarie Street, Sydney

- 9.30am NSW-based universities roundtable (submissions 12, 18, 24, 28, 44)**
- 11.00am Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (submission 52)**
- 11.45am NSW Dept. of Environment, Climate Change and Water (submission 58)**
- 1.15pm Australasian Research Management Society (submission 10)**
- 2.15pm Nuclear science roundtable (submissions 20, 25)**
- 3.15pm Clinical Oncology Society of Australia (submission 50)**

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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