AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION

TOPIC: CSIRO formal audit committee

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Colbeck

QUESTION No.: AI-51

Is there still a formal audit committee within CSIRO? If yes:

What is the current composition of the committee – and how many are independent members?

When was the last change (or changes) made to the membership of the committee?

Can you please provide a full list of what projects have been internally audited since the start of 2008?

If no: When was the committee abolished – and why?

ANSWER

There is a formal Board Audit Committee within CSIRO.

The current Board Audit Committee is composed of 4 (four) independent members:
 • Ms Mary Boydell, Board Audit Committee Chair
 • Dr Terry Cutler
 • The Honourable John Kerin, AM
 • Ms Deborah O'Toole

The most recent changes to the membership of the Board Audit Committee were:
 • Ms Mary Boydell joined the Board Audit Committee effective August 2009.
 • Ms Deborah O'Toole relinquished the role of Board Audit Committee Chair to Ms Boydell effective August 2010.
 • Mr Douglas Rathbone left the Board Audit Committee effective September 2010.

Internal Audit Reports presented to the Board Audit Committee since 1 January 2008:

 • CSIRO Exploration & Mining Divisional Audit
 • Organisational Design Principals Implementation Audit
 • CSIRO Material, Science & Engineering Divisional Audit
 • Performance Management Framework Audit

- Flagship Program Audit
- Operational Planning Quality Assurance
- Business Process and Enabling Technology Replacement (BETR) Audit (April 2008)
- Commercial Transactions Audit
- Science & Industry Research (SIR) Act/Commonwealth Authorities and Companies (CAC) Act Control Self Assessment Audit 2008
- Business Process and Enabling Technology Replacement (BETR) Audit (May 2008)
- Business Process and Enabling Technology Replacement (BETR) Audit (June 2008)
- Australian Animal Health Laboratory (AAHL) External Reviews – Outcome Summary
- Business Process and Enabling Technology Replacement (BETR) Data Integrity Audit
- Revenue Management Audit
- Australian Square Kilometre Array Pathfinder (ASKAP) Audit
- Enterprise Processes – People & Culture Audit
- Business Process and Enabling Technology Replacement (BETR) – SAP IT Security & Segregation Audit
- CSIRO Molecular & Health Technologies Divisional Audit
- Discretionary Spending – Credit Cards Audit
- Preventative Health Flagship Audit
- Project Data Integrity Audit
- Fujitsu Managed Service Audit
- Business Process and Enabling Technology Replacement (BETR) Structural Integrity Audit
- Science & Industry Research (SIR) Act/Commonwealth Authorities and Companies (CAC) Act Control Self Assessment Audit 2009
- Health, Safety & Environment Follow Up Audit
- Unincorporated Business Arrangements Audit
- Business Process Controls Audit
- Operating Model Audit
- Quadrennial Funding Agreement (QFA) Assurance Audit – February 2010
- CSIRO Sustainable Ecosystems Divisional Audit
- Australian Square Kilometre Array Pathfinder (ASKAP) Follow Up Audit
- Quadrennial Funding Agreement (QFA) Assurance Audit – March 2010
- Quadrennial Funding Agreement (QFA) Assurance Audit – April 2010
- CSIRO Land & Water Divisional Audit
- Budgeting & Monitoring Audit
- Enterprise Processes – Contract Administration
- Science & Industry Research (SIR) Act/Commonwealth Authorities and Companies (CAC) Act Control Self Assessment Audit 2010
- Quadrennial Funding Agreement (QFA) Assurance Audit – May 2010
- Quadrennial Funding Agreement (QFA) Assurance Audit – July 2010
- Enterprise Processes – Finance Audit
- Science Leadership and Education Outreach Audit
- CSIRO Mathematics Informatics & Statistics Divisional Audit
- Corporate Group – Property Audit
- Science Quality Audit
- Fujitsu Managed Service Follow-Up Audit