



Message from the General Manager

As we move into the final countdown before submission commences (there's only one month left!), I would like to say how pleased I am with the efforts of all institutions in the ERA preparation stage.

Earlier this month I visited South Africa to attend and speak at the International Organisation for Research Management Societies (INORMS) Conference.

At the conference, delegates from around the world were interested in ERA and following my presentation I was constantly told how thorough and cutting edge ERA is.

I recognise that as ERA Liaison Officers and researchers, you are part of something world-leading and exciting.

The Scopus EID publication tagging process closed on 27 April and a total of around 240 000 publications were submitted. Thank you to the participating institutions and particularly the ERA Liaison Officers who worked hard to ensure their institutions publications were accurately submitted to Scopus.

There is no doubt that the next month will go quickly and I want to assure you that the ERA team is here to help you. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to email era@arc.gov.au or phone us on 02 6287 6755.

I look forward to working with you as we move into the submission phase for the full ERA process.

Happy reading!

Leanne Harvey

EID Tagging

The Scopus EID publication tagging process has now closed.

Scopus will continue to work with institutions to ensure that all records submitted by 27 April have been accurately tagged and that institutions are satisfied with the data.

Thank you for your assistance during this process.

Should you have any questions about this process, please contact Scopus. Details are available from the Scopus EID tagging portal at: www.era2010eidtagging.com.



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ERA 2010 Manage Repository Testing

The ERA 2010 Repository Testing Strategy, which was made available to all institutions on 12 March, outlines three structured phases of institutional repository management and repository testing for ERA 2010.

The first phase of testing will end on 7 May. We encourage institutions that have not already done so to begin uploading and testing as many different types of research output as possible before then.

Institutions should aim to test at least ten to 12 different outputs. More thorough testing at this early stage means that potential issues can be identified and resolved early and prior to Submission.

In preparation for the Submission process, commencing on 1 June, we ask repository managers to indicate the individual repositories their institutions will be using during the ERA 2010 process.

To facilitate this, a new 'tick box' will be introduced within the SEER Manage Repository Testing user interface. **To allow the ARC to finalise the list, we ask that institutions nominate their appropriate repositories by COB on 14 May.**

The location of the tick box is shown in the image below:

The image shows a screenshot of the SEER Manage Repository Testing user interface. It is divided into two main sections: 'Institution' and 'Repository'.
Institution Section:
- 'Institution Name:' text box containing 'Institution A'.
- A checked checkbox labeled 'CAIRSS may access sample research outputs'.
- Buttons: 'Save', 'Cancel', 'Create Repository'.
Repository Section:
- 'Repository Name:' text box containing 'Science'.
- 'Host URL:' text box containing 'http://www.university.edu.au'.
- 'Authentication Type:' dropdown menu set to 'none'.
- 'Username:' and 'Password:' text boxes (empty).
- A checked checkbox labeled 'This repository will be used for ERA peer review'.
- Buttons: 'Save', 'Cancel', 'Delete', 'Create Research Output'.

Institutions will still be able to test their repositories and manage and update existing data until Evaluation begins. The tick box will have no impact on the testing of any of the institution's repositories.

ERA Notifications

ERA Notification 002 has been released www.arc.gov.au/era/notifications.htm.

ERA Notifications are designed to provide advice to the sector when interpretation or clarification is needed with regard to the ERA 2010 process.

The current ERA Notification corrects two typographical errors in sections 3.1 ('Institution Submission') and 3.4 ('Research Income') of the *ERA-SEER 2010 Technical Specifications*.

ERA Frequently Asked Questions

A number of the ERA Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) were updated in April. If you have not recently reviewed the FAQs for ERA 2010, you may like to visit this page on our website www.arc.gov.au/era/faq.htm.

Outreach

The following presentations on ERA were given by ERA staff during April:

- 1 April** **University of Queensland**
- 12–16 April** **INORMS Conference** (Cape Town, South Africa)
- 13 April** **Curtin University**
- 13 April** **Edith Cowan University**
(with representatives from Murdoch and Notre Dame)
- 14 April** **University of Western Australia**

If you have upcoming events or would like the ERA team to present at your institution in the coming months, please email era@arc.gov.au or phone the ERA Helpdesk on

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The ERA team appreciates feedback. If you have any comments or suggestions for this newsletter, please email era@arc.gov.au or phone 02 6287 6755.