

Summary of Successful Linkage - Projects Proposals for Funding to Commence in 2010 by State and Organisation

Victoria

Swinburne University of Technology

LP100200306 Prof Emad Gad, Prof John L Wilson

Approved Project Title **Minimisation of damage to residential structures due to ground movement**

2010	\$57,500.00
2011	\$115,000.00
2012	\$115,000.00
2013	\$57,500.00
2014	
2015	

Primary FoR 0905 CIVIL ENGINEERING

APAI 1

Partner/Collaborating Organisation(s)

Association of Consulting Structural Engineers Victoria , Building Commission Victoria, Housing Engineering Design, Research Association , The Foundation and Footings Society (Vic) Inc, Victorian Department of Health

Administering Organisation Swinburne University of Technology

Project Summary

In Australia some 150,000 new houses are built every year with a total value of approximately \$40 billion; making it one of the most significant industries affecting consumers and industries. With a quadrupling of the cost of building new houses in the last 20 years, an increase in the levels of expectations of owners, a high rate of reported damage in new and existing houses, and predications of worsening conditions under climate change scenarios; there is an urgent need to evaluate the causes of damage. The outcomes from this project will assist in minimising damage to houses from ground movement and in adopting new performance-based design methods for new homes to better match owner expectations. This will lead to cost effective and innovative solutions to meet adverse conditions.

LP100200160 Prof Michael D Gilding, Prof Russell Kenley, Dr Richard H Shrapnel

Approved Project Title **Family business and succession planning: dynamics, barriers and strategies**

2010	\$43,500.00
2011	\$85,500.00
2012	\$83,500.00
2013	\$41,500.00
2014	
2015	

Primary FoR 1608 SOCIOLOGY

APAI 1

Partner/Collaborating Organisation(s)

Pitcher Partners Advisors Pty Ltd

Administering Organisation Swinburne University of Technology

Project Summary

This research will generate better strategies, protocols and policies for family business succession planning, tailored to the Australian context. Family businesses constitute about 70-80 per cent of Australian businesses, and \$4.5 trillion in business value. It is estimated that \$3.5 trillion of business value will change hands in the next decade as the post-war generation of business founders moves on. Yet surveys routinely show that family businesses indefinitely defer succession planning, placing businesses and their stakeholders at risk of acrimonious conflict and business failure. This research will contribute towards the National Research Priority goals strengthening Australia's social and economic fabric and ageing well, ageing productively.

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LP100200656 Prof Jock D Given, Prof Gerard M Goggin, Ms Fiona Cameron, Mr Michael Brealey

Approved Project Title **Spreading fictions: distributing stories in the online age**

2010 \$36,500.00

2011 \$68,500.00

2012 \$73,000.00

2013 \$41,000.00

2014

2015

Primary FoR 2002 CULTURAL STUDIES

APAI 1

Partner/Collaborating Organisation(s)

Australian Broadcasting Corporation, Screen Australia

Administering Organisation Swinburne University of Technology

Project Summary

As the first systematic, large scale, public analysis of audiovisual distribution in Australia, Spreading Fictions will greatly improve understanding of a vital area for Australia's economic and cultural future. The high priority governments give to policies encouraging local audiovisual productions reflects a belief in their cultural resonance at home and abroad and the economic significance of creative work. This project will help to maximise the effectiveness of those policies. As digital TV switchover proceeds and the National Broadband Network is built, data about how Australians are using more powerful, functional mobile devices and faster, cheaper fixed line access will be critical.