AUSTRALIAN ORCID CONSORTIUM

## ORCID YEAR IN REVIEW



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The Australian Access Federation (AAF) as the ORCID Consortium Lead, would like to acknowledge the support of our national community for continuing to stand behind ORCID and its important role for Australian research.

The Consortium has a total of 42 members, and 90% of those members have implemented at least one ORCID integration. A number have now undertaken multiple integrations. There are more than 170,000 Australian ORCID IDs registered, five times greater than when the Consortium commenced in 2016. This growth represents the role of ORCID for the national research community and how it is assisting with connecting research outputs to grants and publications.

The new ORCID Member Portal including the Affiliation Manager and Member Reporting Dashboard was released in 2021. This has delivered a suite of tools to help institutions make the most of their ORCID membership. The reporting dashboard provides greater value through real time data and integration reports.

Throughout the year, the AAF engaged with members that took part in the maturity assessment that was conducted in 2020. The engagement activity targeted members that had not completed advanced integrations and assisted them with enhanced support.

Communication and engagement continued to be an important consortium activity. The AAF engaged with the community, both nationally and internationally through live and virtual events. This included community calls, joint webinars and a 'virtual chat in the lounge'.

AAF continues to work closely with the Australian Research Data Commons (ARDC) to progress the national persistent identifier (PID) agenda. The PIDS Cost Benefit Analysis activity commenced in late 2021 with results to be released in 2022.

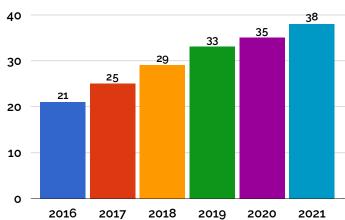
The AAF has continued to work closely throughout the year with the ORCID Governance Committee and the Advisory Group to advance ORCID and Australia's PID agenda. As we continue to navigate through an ever-changing landscape of technology, research, and education, AAF remains committed to supporting its members and improving services.

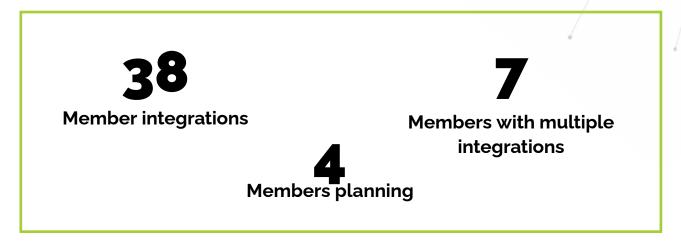


Fiona Rankin Chair Australian Access Federation Ltd.

## ■ MEMBER INTEGRATIONS AND DEVELOPMENT

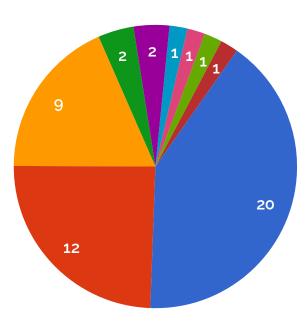






### INTEGRATION BREAKDOWN





## ■ NEW INITIATIVES

#### ORCID MEMBER PORTAL

The ORCID Member Portal was released in 2022 providing consortium members with additional functionality. The portal offers members a simple way to add an organisation affiliation to a researcher's ORCID record and provide real time reporting.

#### AFFILIATION MANAGER

The new Affiliation Manager has been made available exclusively to consortium members. It automatically updates information to grant management systems,

manuscript submission systems and university research information systems, saving time and increasing efficiency. It reduces the technical barrier for an ORCID integration.



The Member Reporting Dashboard is a tool within the ORCID Member Portal. It is available to all members and provides real time member and integration reports that are easily accessible and can be downloaded at any time. The dashboard provides insights into impact, affiliations and geography of an organisation's researchers.



# WORKING WITH THE AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH DATA COMMONS (ARDC) ON A PIDS COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS

ARDC and AAF have worked closely to engage a consultant to undertake an Australian PIDS Cost Benefit Analysis report. The report will lay the foundations for investing in PIDS on a national scale, demonstrating what can be delivered to the research sector.

It is anticipated that the report will support the national PID strategy and future investment to make research data, software and project outputs Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable (FAIR).

## **ENGAGEMENT**

AAF continues to deliver a range of ORCID communications to members through consistent engagement methodologies. Engagement channels include webinars, live virtual events, conferences and newsletters. In 2021 the AAF attended 30 events related to ORCID to network and build relationships with national and international communities for persistent identifiers.

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**Webinars** 

**18** 

ORCID communications

**Attended** 

30

ORCID events

170,000+

**ORCID** records in Australia

1

Chat in the lounge

**47** 

1-1 ORCID member consultations

**Presented** 

7

times in 2021

Member portal

Released March 2021



## INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT

#### ORCID MEMBERSHIP & FEES COMMITTEE

In 2021, AAF Chief Executive Officer Heath Marks was involved in the ORCID Board's Membership and Fees Committee. The Committee works in an advisory capacity for the ORCID Board to review costing, business models and sustainability for ORCID as an organisation. Feedback from the advisory committee and ORCID members has led to a review of fee models which is currently underway.

#### ORCID APAC CONSORTIUM INTEREST GROUP

AAF ORCID Engagement & Support Lead Melroy Almeida, and Chief Operating Officer Elleina Filippi, are members of the ORCID Asia Pacific Consortium Interest Group (CIG). This is one of the international CIGs that provide feedback on consortia to the ORCID Leadership Team. As part of this group, the AAF provides leadership to the Asia Pacific region and provides feedback from members and the national community.

## MAKING LIFE EASIER DR JOE SHAPTER'S ORCID USER STORY

"What is critical is that my Australian Research Council (ARC) record is getting updated, which is a mountainous saving of work for me and helps to easily keep my CV up-to-date"

Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research Infrastructure) at The University of Queensland (UQ) Joe Shapter, shared how his ORCID ID has helped him when applying for Australian Research Council (ARC) grants. Joe's ORCID record was first registered while he was studying at Flinders University and continued to be populated when he made the move to University of Queensland (UQ). The ORCID record is automatically populated as research outputs are released, saving a great deal of time for Joe.

Over the 20 years of Joe's career in applying for grants, it has been an arduous task requiring documents, an updated CV and a record of all publications published. With the integration of ORCID, the process is simplified due to all the information being easily accessible. Joe says the process for applications with the integration of ORCID saves three to four days per grant application. "The difference in workload is staggering!", exclaims Joe.



Joe Shapter —
Pro-Vice-Chancellor
(Research Infrastructure)
at UQ & ORCID
Governance Committee
Independent Chair





Members continued to receive a high level of support and assistance from the AAF in 2021. Support was provided for integrations, testing, planning and new membership enquiries. Services delivered to members included administrative and technical support, consultations and technical training.





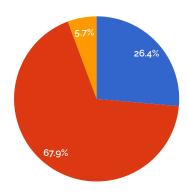
#### SUPPORT TICKET BREAKDOWN

Consortium Lead Support Tickets 2021 (1 January 2021–31 December 2021)

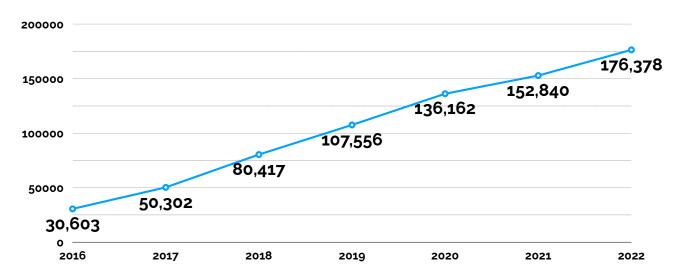
■ General

■ Integration

Upgrade



#### **AUSTRALIAN ORCID IDS REGISTERED**



## **■ GOVERNANCE GROUPS**

#### **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

The ORCID Consortium Governance Committee is the key vehicle in guiding the decision making of the Consortium to ensure it operates effectively and sustainably into the future.

Members 2021 Organisation Prof Joe Shapter ORCID Governance Committee Independent Chair Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research Infrastructure) UQ Simon Huggard ORCID Advisory Group — Chair Linda O'Brien ORCID Board of Directors (Int. rep) Elleina Filippi Australian Access Federation (AAF) Consortium Lead Jill Benn Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL) Chair Dr Ross McLennan Australasian Research Management Society (ARMS) President Prof Susan Dodds & Prof Chris Moran Universities Australia Deputy Vice-Chancellors, Research Committee, Chair Australian Research Council (ARC) Kylie Emery Tony Krizan National Health & Medical Research Council (NHMRC)

#### **ADVISORY GROUP**

The Australian ORCID Advisory Group acts in the interests of the nation to provide expertise and advice on leveraging maximum benefits through national adoption and use of ORCID.

Members 2021	Organisation
Simon Huggard Advisory Group — Chair	Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL)
Natasha Simons Advisory Group — Deputy Chair	Australian Research Data Commons (ARDC)
Dr Liz Eedle	Universities Australia (UA)
Sian Wright	Australasian Research Management Society (ARMS)
Wee-Ming Boon	National Health & Medical Research Council (NHMRC)
Julia Tressider	National Health & Medical Research Council (NHMRC)
Justin Withers	Australian Research Council (ARC)
Anne Kealley	${\tt Council}\ of\ Australasian\ University\ Directors\ of\ Information\ Technology\ (CAUDIT)$
Nick Hauser	Australian Nuclear Science & Technology Organisation
Elleina Filippi	Australian Access Federation (AAF)
Melroy Almeida — Secretariat support	Australian Access Federation (AAF)
Linda O'Brien — invited guest	ORCID Board of Directors (Int. rep)

