ARC Consultation on Research Opportunity and Performance Evidence – Opportunity for Comment

Consultation is now open on the Australian Research Council’s (ARC) Research Opportunity and Performance Evidence (ROPE) Statement, with submissions due by COB Friday, 21 April 2017. The ARC is seeking feedback on the operation of the ROPE selection criterion which is used in its National Competitive Grant Program to assess the quality of investigators involved in proposals across the Discovery and Linkage Programmes. ROPE helps to ensure that assessment processes accurately evaluate an investigator’s career history relative to their career stage, productivity and opportunities that have been available for research.

UQ Submissions

The ARC is seeking feedback from all stakeholders, including targeted groups such as researchers, assessors and research offices. We encourage individual UQ Schools, Centres, research groups and researchers to consider providing their own responses to the ROPE consultation, taking account of relevant perspectives such as previous/current/potential Researchers or Assessors on ARC schemes.

UQ Research and Innovation (UQR&I) will also be submitting an institutional response addressing Research Office staff consultation and feedback already raised by researchers, for example in the recent ARC Discovery Projects round. Senior management in Faculties/Institutes/Schools/Centres are welcome to provide their feedback to UQR&I for inclusion into the consolidated response, or to submit an individual response. Any feedback into the UQR&I response should be provided to grants-manager@research.uq.edu.au no later than COB Tuesday 18 April 2017.

Submission Process

All consultation documentation including the consultation questions and submission template can be found on the ARC webpage at http://www.arc.gov.au/consultation-research-opportunity-and-performance-evidence. Individual submissions must be emailed to the ARC at ARC-SG@arc.gov.au by the closing deadline of COB Friday 21 April 2017.

Any enquiries on the consultation process can be directed to grants-manager@research.uq.edu.au.

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