

**Minutes of Meeting #7 of the New Zealand ORCID Consortium Advisory Committee, 31 March 2020; 10am-1.00pm via videoconference due to Covid-19 crisis.**

**Present:**

*Committee:*

Marie Bradley (chair) (from AgResearch, a member of Science New Zealand's Science Policy group)

Esther Viljoen (from HRC)

Nick Shortt (from MRINZ, representing IRANZ)

Lesley Brook (from Otago Polytechnic, representing ITPs)

Giselle Byrnes (from Massey University), representing Universities New Zealand Research Committee–Te Pōkai Tara)

Mary-Anne Woodnorth (from Auckland District Health Board, representing District Health Board consortium members)

Katharina Ruckstuhl (from University of Otago, bringing a Mātauranga Māori perspective)

Anne Scott (from University of Canterbury, representing CONZUL) (part attendance)

Richard Waldin (from Scion, a member of Science New Zealand's IT group) (part attendance)

Jackie Fawcett (from MBIE) (attendance at start and end)

*Secretariat:*

Jason Gush (Royal Society Te Apārangi – ORCID programme manager and ORCID Hub product owner)

Jill Mellanby (Royal Society Te Apārangi – ORCID coordinator).

Roger Ridley (Royal Society Te Apārangi – Director, Research Practice & Expert Advice).

**Abbreviations used:**

ITPs – Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics

CONZUL – Council of New Zealand University Librarians

VUW – Victoria University of Wellington

IRANZ – Independent Research Association of New Zealand

NZRIS – New Zealand Research Information System

HRC – Health Research Council of New Zealand

MBIE – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

IMS – Investment Management System

## Summary of Key Actions

Agenda item		
2	Opportunity with lockdown: Target CRI knowledge centres and provide communication examples relating to ORCID	RW JM
3	Benefits of ORCID: Society to analyse Terms & Conditions and any relevant privacy policies of other 'researcher profile' companies and compare them to ORCID's.	JM JG LB
5	New Terms of Reference to be drafted and circulated	JM JG MB GB

### **Agenda Item 1 – Actions from previous meetings**

Brief run through of action items from previous meeting. Actions are either completed, still to be completed or ongoing.

### **Agenda item 2 – General update**

MBIE: MBIE is being greatly affected by the national response to Covid-19 and this could delay several projects.

A company has been contracted to build a new investment management system which will have an inbuilt ORCID Integration. So far, both the Hub and the current IMS ORCID integration have been used to write to ORCID records.

RSNZ: ORCID has helped streamline several processes in the Society's funding work-cycle and is greatly helping with identification of individuals and potential conflicts of interest.

ORCID update:

The Society has been working with MBIE on a new, two year Work Programme Agreement for ORCID although this has not yet been finalised. MBIE have indicated that they are committed to ORCID long-term but are unable to contract beyond two years, currently.

The Society has taken over ownership of the New Zealand ORCID Hub but is able to contract the developers if the need arises.

Some discussion was held on whether, with people working at home, this would be a good time to push ORCID at certain organisations, for example the CRIs. The universities and ITPs are extremely busy right now and this would not be a good time for them.

ACTION – target CRI knowledge centres and provide communication examples relating to ORCID (RW, JM)

### **Agenda item 3: Update from ORCID Board meeting**

A potential conflict of interest is noted between KR as a Board Member and also an Advisory Committee member. This will be taken into account, as required, at each committee meeting.

Membership is vital to ORCID as a means of income and survival as a mature organization. The fact that ORCID is a non-profit that does not sell data to other parties could be used as a powerful, positive message to the research community.

ACTION – The Society to analyse Terms & Conditions and any relevant privacy policies of a number of ‘researcher profile’ companies and compare them to ORCID’s.

#### **Agenda item 4 – ongoing role of the committee**

The Society and the committee agreed that there was a role to be played by members over at least the next two years. The committee is a useful conduit into the various sectors that make up the consortium and is useful at a strategic level and, as ORCID users, at an operational level. The diversity of the committee was a strength.

#### **Agenda Item 5 – new Terms of Reference**

The Terms of Reference need some amendment. The focus is no longer on growing the consortium and the relevant bullet point in ‘purpose and functions’ of the committee can be removed. This could be replaced with a new bullet point on articulating the benefits of ORCID to researchers and organisations. Wording on this will require some work. Several suggestions were put forward by committee members.

On membership, it was suggested that the committee could also embrace members from various regulatory organisations, including ethics committees. However several existing committee members already have links to some of these bodies so there is no need to increase committee member numbers at present.

It was agreed that attendance by videoconference on a more frequent basis should replace the twice annual in-person meetings in Wellington. Members, if unavailable to attend, should still nominate a person to represent their sector.

ACTION – Terms of Reference to be updated and circulated JM, JG, MB, G