New Zealand ORCID Consortium Advisory Committee Meeting #14 Minutes

Monday 18th March 1pm-3pm - via Teams

Invited Attendees:

Committee	Secretariat	Guests
• Marie Bradley (Chair, AgResearch) • Giselle Byrnes (Massey University) • Mike Wall (CONZUL, University of Otago) • Angela Hannah (MBIE) • Alex Martin (MRINZ) • Esther Viljoen (HRC) • Richard Waldin (Scion) • Patrick Lander (Eastern Institute of Technology) • Katharina Ruckstuhl (University of Otago) • Marina Dzhelali (Te Whatu Ora)	• Alex Freemantle (Royal Society Te Apārangi) • Abby Cuttriss (Royal Society Te Apārangi)	• Roger Ridley (Royal Society Te Apārangi)

Apologies: Marina Dzhelali

Actions Agreed:

Action	Action allocated to:
Committee suggests that Ministry of Education membership should be terminated before the next invoice if we don't hear back after we reach out again.	AF
Usage statistics provided to Committee before each meeting.	AF
Make steps to showcase non-traditional outputs within New Zealand ORCID Consortium and help to influence ORCID Inc. This may include recognition for participating in trial/project - even if not on publications as a 'service'.	AF
Clarify options with JH and MBIE for expanding the consortium during the next WPA period.	AF
Update Advisory Committee membership on RSTA website.	AF
Circulate finalised Annex before signing	AF
Roadmap statement on new WPA should be deleted	AF
RSTA to follow up with Te Pūkenga Researchbank integration and Digital NZ integration	AF
Engage with University DVC committee regarding encouraging students to join ORCID	Giselle Byrnes
Consortium Lead to promote Open Access Toolkit	AF

CCDHB – Capital and Coast District Health Board, CONZUL – Council of New Zealand University, Librarians, GDPR – General Data Protection Regulation, HRC – Health Research Council of New Zealand, IRANZ – Independent Research Association of New Zealand, ITPs – Institutes of Technology and Polytechnics, MBIE – Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, MRINZ – Medical Research institute of New Zealand, NZRIS – New Zealand Research Information System

Minutes:

1. Introductions from all members of the committee and all attendees.
   Patrick Lander introduced himself as a new member of the committee

2. *Actions from last meeting*
   - Discussed Pacific regional consortium with RSNZ Council
   - A plan for inviting Pacific research organisations has been developed and is in action
   - MoE – Are the only large tier organisation in the NZ ORCID Consortium, no response to emails
     [Action: Committee suggests that Ministry of Education membership should be terminated before the next invoice if we don't hear back after we reach out again]
   - MBIE report summary sent
   - Docs around Hub improved and circulated (FAQ, etc) and held Hub workshop. The committee would appreciate usage statistics for AC meetings
     [Action: Usage statistics provided to Committee before each meeting.]
     The Consortium Lead organisation will run an IRANZ focused event to improve activity. A champion/relatable example organisation will be used for this event.

3. *Update from Royal Society Te Apārangi*
   a. ORCID in New Zealand update + new members
      Two new members have joined the consortium (Toi Whakaari and Moana Connect)
      Toi Whakaari could be a potential showcase for non-traditional outputs
      There was a query on different outputs that ECRs could utilise in ORCID. This includes roles that are unpaid and non-conventional e.g. support during a clinical trial.
      [ACTION: Make steps to showcase non-traditional outputs within New Zealand ORCID Consortium ORCID work and help to influence ORCID Inc. This may include recognition for participating in trial/project - even if not on publications as a 'service'.]
      A total of 32/50 of the consortium member organisations are active and there has been a 22% increase of researchers linking with ORCID integrations
      Te Pūkenga is in flux, but the Consortium needs to know how many members there are before Oct, so this is complicating the financial planning for next year. The Consortium Lead Organisation is proposing a hold on new members until the Te Pūkenga merger is clarified. The business entities are still Te Pūkenga until they hear otherwise, which is likely to not be before Oct.
      [ACTION: Clarify options for expanding the membership during the next WPA period with JH and MBIE]
      MPI have withdrawn from the consortium.
      [ACTION: Update Advisory Committee membership on RSTA website]
   b. ORCID Pacific Regional Consortium progress
      The ORCID Lead has conducted two meetings with interested Pacific universities. These are the University of the South Pacific and the National University of Samoa. Both contacts would like to join but further approval from their University council is needed. The consortium lead will not approach any other Pacific universities until the financial situation is confirmed.
      The main reasons for offering membership to Pacific organisations were discussed. These included providing research infrastructure to orgs that wouldn't otherwise have access and to improve collaborations, as well as new voices from the Pacific (such as a Pacific representative on AC). UNZ have provided support in this process.

    c. ORCID Inc strategy – The Consortium Lead organisation has coauthored the 2024 annual strategy with ORCID Inc. This strategy helps ORCID Inc to focus the support that they provide to the consortium lead organisation. The annual strategy includes:
Continuing work to develop a regional consortium.
Support MBIE in their work with ORCID. MBIE are adding funding records (well received by ORCID)
Improving activity of non-active members (IRANZ and govt depts)
Monthly meetings with Australian consortium and continuing meetings with South African Consortium

4. *Discussion around upcoming Work Programme Agreement negotiations*
Previous meetings between the Royal Society Te Apārangi and MBIE regarding the WPA were discussed. MBIE stated that they expect no change to the financials and they would like to extend the WPA from a 2 year to a 5 year WPA. MBIE have provided a draft new WPA and have updated the current WPA to include the amended wording to allow Consortium Lead to approach Pacific organisations, as well as changed some relevant dates in the contract. In this new draft, there is also a need to draft a public statement.
[Action: Circulate finalised Annex before signing]
[Action: Roadmap statement should be deleted]

5. *ORCID priorities for Early Career Researchers (Alex Martin)*
A discussion from the Early Career Researcher Representative on the Advisory Committee about the role of ORCID for ECRs took place. ECRs have few papers, so cv tools etc are less valuable. It would be beneficial for ECRs to get recognition for less traditional outputs – scholarships, grants, acknowledgements (but missing authorship), courses. This would help to improve the visibility of their work. ORCID is a valuable resource to find people, get a sense of senior researchers' experience. There could be a better focus on encouraging students to join ORCID. How to encourage students to join ORCID was discussed. University of Otago has a thesis repository which can be a useful reason for students to join ORCID. MW will check if there's a prompt for ORCID. Prompts for students were outlined as very useful.
Te Pūkenga use Researchbank as a location for depositing theses but this is not ORCID integrated. Digital NZ is also not ORCID integrated. This could be an organisation and system that is approached to discuss ORCID integration.
[ACTION: RSTA to follow up with Te Pūkenga Researchbank integration and Digital NZ integration]
[ACTION: GB offered to engage with University DVC committee regarding encouraging students to join ORCID]
University of Auckland uses prompts to sign up to ORCID when students onboard and enrol and also when new staff start.

6. *CONZUL update (Mike Wall)*
A new Open Access Toolkit has been funded by CONZUL and now launched. This toolkit can be personalised and unique to each institution. The toolkit features a step-by-step process for publishing open access and one step encourages signing up to ORCID.
Contacts within CONZUL will also be utilised to discuss with University of Waikato how they may utilise their ORCID membership more actively including onboarding to the NZ ORCID Hub.
[Action: Consortium Lead organisation to promote Open Access Toolkit]

7. *Any other business*

The committee discussed the current difficult climate that research organisations face. This may affect the contacts that the ORCID Consortium have developed at each organisation and may mean that ORCID is not a priority at present. This may be an opportunity to promote the benefits that ORCID has in being persistent for researchers throughout their careers.

The committee discussed some of the information that was recently received by ORCID Global Board Alumni members. The documentation stated that ORCID Inc are currently focusing on security and trust as key outcomes. There are a number of fake profiles on ORCID and this has been recognised by the ORCID Global team as a priority to tackle. There is also a movement towards researchers controlling their own data – this is Self Sovereignty. ORCID should look to support this movement. There are two points of trust that ORCID are able to promote: First, ORCID are primarily a tech company and therefore they are at the forefront of technological advances. Second, they are a not-for-profit so they will never be sold to a company to make financial gain. These features help to support the security and trust that the sector has in ORCID.

8. *Next meeting dates*
   Not discussed

Topics to include in the next meeting:
How would new members be funded if no more membership fees can be afforded by the baselined figure provided by MBIE.
Are funders; publishers; and policy makers getting what they need from ORCID?