NZ ORCID Consortium newsletter #3

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Consortium news

Welcome to this brief update on what's been going on in the New Zealand ORCID consortium lately. The NZ ORCID Hub has been under further development and testing and is on track to function for researchers from Tuakiri-member organisations by the end of June. Much of this newsletter shows screenshots of the flow to: (1) getting your organisation set up in the Hub; and, (2) once onboard, a researcher from that organisation connecting their ORCID iD through the Hub, resulting in an affiliation being written. Note that the organisation set up (1) must be done by an organisation's technical contact before their researchers can use the Hub (2).

Advisory Committee

The final terms of reference and the minutes of the first advisory committee meeting, held on 27th March, are now on our website. The next committee meeting is planned for 20th October.

ORCID board elections for 2018

ORCID are calling for nominations to the board of directors. As ORCID members, we are eligible to nominate one person from our consortium. Nominations are due by 1st August. Board members are expected to serve for up to three years and attend three annual board meetings. Please note the cost of attending these meetings is NOT covered by ORCID. Further information is in this ORCID blog post.

ORCID community survey

ORCID is running a community survey. Please feel free to participate and circulate the survey amongst staff and students at your organisation. Responses will be used to help with ORCID's training and support. The results of the previous community survey, held in 2015, are hosted on figshare.

NZ ORCID Hub and the IT Advisory Group

The hub is now at the testing stage – thanks to the staff of Plant and Food Research, the Universities of Otago and Canterbury, and Landcare Research, who have volunteered to be involved in this important work.

We are currently polishing up the interface and checking for bugs, as well as ensuring the hub's general robustness in terms of security and disaster recovery. The team are still on track to have it up and running for Tuakiri-member organisations, by the end of June. From this launch product, we'll be moving towards provision of service for our non-Tuakiri Consortium members.

Step 1: Technical contacts will 'onboard' their organisations to the hub. This is very straightforward and the process takes 6 clicks, as demonstrated in this post in the hub's Google Group:

https://groups.google.com/a/aucklanduni.ac.nz/forum/#!topic/nz-orcid-hub-gg/LOqqRsIbQcc

Step 2: Organisations will send out a communication to their staff/students, inviting them to link their ORCID iDs (or set an ORCID iD up and link it) with their organisation through the NZ ORCID hub; again, the process takes 6 clicks for users, as demonstrated in this post in the hub's Google Group:

https://groups.google.com/a/aucklanduni.ac.nz/forum/#!topic/nz-orcid-hub-gg/WAwlnHSjsLE

 Remember to check out the dedicated space on our website for resources dedicated to the hub's development. The tech savvy among you will find the JIRA board and Github sites of interest; slightly less technical language is used in posts on the aforementioned dedicated Google group which we encourage you to join and use to interact with us.

A reminder that there is an open demonstration of the hub's progress every second Thursday (**next one on 22nd June**) at 2pm with the hub developer team at the University of Auckland. If you'd like to see the current state of the hub's development, exploration of new features, or ask questions, please feel free to drop in.

To join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: http://bit.ly/nz-orcid-hub

 Or iPhone one-tap (US Toll): +14086380968,6525383230# or +16465588656,6525383230#

 Or Telephone:

   Dial: +1 408 638 0968 (US Toll) or +1 646 558 8656 (US Toll)

   Meeting ID: 652 538 3230

Your feedback on the progress and development of the hub is vital and we would love to see you at these sessions. Alternatively, if you are in Wellington and would like to join us, we have room for guests (Royal Society of New Zealand, 11 Turnbull Street, Thorndon, Wellington); please just drop a line to orcid@royalsociety.org.nz so that we know to expect you.

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