

Information Futures Commission

2008	EVENTS	CONSULTATION & ENGAGEMENT	OUTPUTS
<b>January</b>	Launch of Commission by Vice-Chancellor Information Futures Forum: Mr Richard Katz, EDUCAUSE (effects of new technology in higher education)	Weblog launched (open for public comment) as part of Information Futures Commission web site <a href="http://www.informationfutures.unimelb.edu.au">www.informationfutures.unimelb.edu.au</a> Expert Panel workshop with Richard Katz	Project Plan Consultation Strategy
<b>February</b>	Information Futures Forum: Professor Michael Geist, University of Ottawa (copyright)	Call for open submissions Project Team attends key University committees & forums Personal contact with senior influencers Expert Panel starts meeting weekly	Release of Consultation Paper, to provide background and prompt conversation
<b>March</b>	Information Futures Forum: Research theme – speaker TBA	Student-staff consultation forums (1-2) Focus groups with students Ethnographic study (contextual inquiry) to understand how scholars seek, use and share information Contact with relevant external organisations -- professional associations, government agencies, national and state cultural institutions Attendance at relevant University committees and forums	Release of Discussion Paper on Research Video profiles of researchers, academics, students, published on web site
<b>April</b>	Information Futures Forum: Teaching theme- speaker TBA	Student-staff consultation forums (1-2) Continue focus groups and video profiles	Release of Discussion Paper on Learning and Teaching
<b>May</b>	Information Futures Forum: KT theme – speaker TBA Expert Forum: Linking key members of the Steering Committee and several US experts through the Opti-Portal	Student-staff consultation forums (1-2) Final round of focus groups and video profiles Personal contact with senior influencers Deadline for open submissions Steering Committee workshop on draft Strategy	Release of Discussion Paper on Knowledge Transfer
<b>June</b>	Information Futures Forum: Binding the strands – panel of Steering Committee members	Communication via newsletters and other channels about outcomes of the consultation phase Strategy discussed with Committee of Deans	Completion of final strategy and recommendations to Academic Board
<b>July</b>		Implementation plan discussed with Committee of Deans	Final strategy to Council Implementation Plan to PBC