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Project Update - Garuwanga¹: Forming a Competent Authority to Protect Indigenous Knowledge

This year saw the appointment of Dr Michael Davis as Research Fellow for the remainder of the Project. We thank Dr Cahill for her significant contribution during 2018.

Following the release of the <u>Discussion paper</u> last year, consultations took place with Aboriginal communities and organisations in remote, urban and semi-rural locations such as in and near Sydney (NSW) and in Broome and the Kimberley (WA). These consultation meetings were transcribed, and an analysis was carried out employing a range of methodological approaches. The resulting draft Report on Consultation Findings has been circulated to all participants in the Research Roundtable process for comments, and was discussed at the eighth meeting of the Roundtable, held in the Faculty of Law at the University of Technology Sydney on Friday 12 April. Further comments on the draft Report have been received, and a revised version is in preparation. This Report and discussions from the April Research Roundtable Meeting provide a crucial basis for preparation of the Project's Final Report.

In other developments this year, Garuwanga Project staff wrote a submission to the Australia Council's proposed National Indigenous Arts and Cultural Authority (NAICA). That submission is on the Project <u>website</u>.

Indigenous Knowledge Forum 2019

The next Indigenous Knowledge Forum (IKF) will be held on 12-13 June 2019, in the Law Faculty Moot Court at the University of Technology Sydney (UTS). This Forum has the theme *Models for a Competent Authority – Facilitating Self-Determination*. A draft Program is now available, and is on Indigenous Knowledge Forum <u>website</u>. The Forum will include discussions on the draft Final Report for the Garuwanga Project, and an exciting program of Australian and international speakers.

Papers presented at the Forum may be submitted for publication in the next volume of the Indigenous Knowledge Forum book series.

¹ D'harawal for Dreaming Cycle

Registration and Accommodation for the IKF 2019

Registration for the IKF is free, and participants may register by following the link on the Forum <u>website</u>. When registering, please specify dietary requirements, to assist with catering.

There will be a Forum dinner on Wednesday 12 June, details for which can be seen in the IKF Program, also available on the website.

There are several hotels in the vicinity of UTS, details of which are also available on the website. These are listed below. Please note the cut-off dates and booking codes for the hotels, for booking and payment with the discounted corporate rate.

<u>Mercure Sydney</u>, 818-820 George Street, Sydney. Tel: +61 2 9217 6666. This hotel is offering a discounted corporate rate of \$210 per night, subject to availability. This price includes a full buffet breakfast. To book, call the hotel on the number above, or email to <u>h2073@accor.com</u>. Use the Booking Code UTS0619 to obtain the discounted rate. **Please note this rate will be available until Tuesday 28 May,** after which prices will be subject to availability and may vary.

<u>Novotel Sydney Central</u>, 169-179 Thomas Street, Sydney. Tel: +61 2 9281 6888. The hotel can offer a discounted rate of 10% on rooms. Contact the hotel on the above number, or email to <u>h8781@accor.com</u>. Use the Booking Code <u>UTSJ0619</u>.

Four Points by Sheraton, 88 Broadway, Chippendale, Tel: +61 2 8288 8888 (entrance via 4 Central Park Ave.).

Holiday Inn, Darling Harbour, 68 Harbour Street, Darling Harbour, Tel: +61 2 9291 0200.

Further Information and Contacts

If you would like to follow the progress of our research or learn more about the Indigenous Knowledge Forum you can do so at: <u>www.indigenousknowledgeforum.org</u>

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