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CAUDIT Autumn Members Meeting 2014 - Registration Open

The CAUDIT Autumn Members meeting will be held at the Crown Promenade in Melbourne from the 30th of April until the 2nd of May 2014.

Day One of the meeting will explore how a Digital Strategy can assist institutions with the adoption and integration of digital tools while developing mechanisms to support both staff and students in a changing environment.

Day Two will focus on the key deliverables of universities: Teaching, Learning, Research and the Student Experience. CAUDIT will continue to engage with experts in these areas, how they are working with IT and identify their future needs. A key session for the day will be the 2014 Top Ten issues.

On Day Three the CAUDIT and AAF Annual Meetings will be held along with updates from AARNet and CAUDIT Staff.

The agenda for the meeting is currently being finalised, with further information published on the [CAUDIT website](#) as it becomes available.

To register for this event please visit our [Registration Page](#)

Benchmarking Advisory Committee

To implement the recommendations of the 2012-2013 Benchmarking Working Party, this committee is being reconvened as the Benchmarking Advisory Committee (BMAC). A draft terms of reference is currently under review and the BMAC Chair, Peter Nikolettatos, invites Working Party members and other CAUDIT members to nominate for the BMAC. Meetings are planned quarterly to ensure the effective development of the recommendations and other CAUDIT Benchmarking system developments.

Notice of AGM

The CAUDIT AGM will be held on Friday the 2nd of May 2014 in Melbourne. Two vacancies on the Executive will be elected at this meeting - President and Treasurer, so it is an important event for CAUDIT.

For more information please visit CAUDIT Website [here](#).

Data Storage Options

A short options paper has been put together by CAUDIT to help members understand what alternatives they have to choose from when considering purchasing storage for their institution.

The paper can be downloaded [here](#).

VMware Renewal

Members are reminded that your VMware renewal is due for completion on 10 March 2014.

For more information please visit CAUDIT Website [here](#).

The first meeting is planned for mid-March 2014. If you would like to nominate for the committee, please e-mail Steven Wojnarowski (steven.wojnarowski@caudit.edu.au) by COB 5 March.

CAUDIT Leadership Institute

Nominations for the CAUDIT Leadership Institute (CLI) will open in early April. The event will run from Monday 18th August until Friday 22nd August 2014. Places are limited, so please keep an eye on this newsletter and the [CAUDIT website](#) for updates or alternatively e-mail Cassandra Spencer (cassandra.spencer@caudit.edu.au) to be included in the advanced notice distribution list.

The CLI is an immersive, consuming and altogether enlightening experience that every aspiring future leader should strive to participate in.

Microsoft Agreement

The current Microsoft agreement expires shortly and needs to be renewed ready for renewals due on 30 November 2014 (some Universities will renew in February 2015).

The first planning meeting will be held in March and we are seeking further information and support to kick-off the process. We will be working closely with the Strategic Procurement Advisory Committee and the University Software Licensing Collaboration (USLC) community of practice to gather feedback on the current agreement and to form a small team to assist with negotiation.

A survey will be circulated to assist with the process in the next few weeks; in the meantime if you have particular concerns that you would like addressed please e-mail Steve Johnston (steve.johnston@caudit.edu.au).

Australian Privacy Principles

The Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) has released the finalised Australian Privacy Principles (APP) guidelines following public consultation. The APP guidelines are an essential tool for all entities that are covered by the Privacy Act and will be subject to the new APP's from 12 March 2014.

The APP guidelines outline the mandatory requirements of the APP's and how the OAIC will interpret the APP's and matters they will take into account when exercising functions and powers under the Privacy Act. The APP guidelines give many examples of how the AAP's may apply in particular circumstances and contain suggestions for good privacy practice. The guidelines are available on the [OAIC website](#).

IT News/Haymarket Media sought some legal opinion on the upcoming law changes and have published the [following document](#) to assist Australian businesses.

Hot of the press: The Australian Information Commissioner and Privacy Commissioner have issued a statement of the Australian Information Commissioner's (OAIC) enforcement approach to new privacy laws from 12 March 2014. Read the [statement](#).

Privacy awareness week is being held from 4-11 May 2014. More information will be published on the [following website](#) as the date draws closer.

AusCERT 2014

The theme for [AusCERT 2014](#) is Trusting Security, a reflection of the growing concern surrounding mass data collection efforts that undermine the "secure" cloud. Registered conference delegates are eligible to attend AARNet's Birds of a Feather (BoF) session Higher Education Campus Network Security Opportunities and Challenges:

Date: Tuesday 13th May 2014
Time: 5:00pm

Events in March

Microsoft Webinar on StorSimple & Azure (3 March 2014)
Oracle Study Tour and Alliance 2014 Conference (3-11 March 2014)

For more information please visit CAUDIT Website [here](#).

Events in April

Learning Technology Directors Briefing (16-17 April 2014)
Microsoft Event, Melbourne (29 April 2014)
Amazon Web Services Briefing, Melbourne (29 April 2014)
Spring Members Meeting, Melbourne (30 April - 2 May 2014)

For more information please visit CAUDIT Website [here](#).

Venue: AusCERT 2014 Conference, RACV Royal Pines Resort, Gold Coast

Higher Education campuses face an increasing threat from within and without the campus network. The growth in mobility, off-site data centres, cloud computing services and the “network” offers greater management challenges to secure IT and greater opportunities for unethical hackers for unauthorised access. This BoF offers a technical discussion around Identity Management, Network Access Control and Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS) v Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPS).

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