1. Welcome to the Melbourne Policy Network

This Bulletin welcomes you to the Melbourne Policy Network. This network has been established by the University Secretary’s Department to share information regarding university policy initiatives.

2. Melbourne Policy Lunches

Melbourne Policy Lunches will be held to foster networking and information sharing. Everyone is welcome to attend (BYO lunch).

- Tuesday 5 June 12.00pm - 1.00pm, Dulcie Hollyock Room, Ground Floor, Baillieu Library
  Dr Kai Jensen - 'Hot topics in university policy management'
  Dr Kai Jensen is a co-founder of the Association for Tertiary Education Management (ATEM) Policy Network, and Deputy Director, Academic Policy and Governance, RMIT.

- Thursday 14 June 12.30pm - 2.00pm, Dulcie Hollyock Room, Ground Floor, Baillieu Library
  Professor Simon Marginson - 'Higher education after the next federal election'
  Professor Simon Marginson is a Professor of Higher Education in the Centre for the Study of Higher Education (CSHE) at the University of Melbourne.

3. Policy Simplification Project – Update

The Policy Simplification Project was established to reformat all University of Melbourne Policy and Procedure documents housed in the Melbourne Policy Library to meet the requirements of the Melbourne Policy Framework. The project is nearing completion. Announcements will be made in the coming months to support the release of the reformatted Policies, Procedures and Schedules in an enhanced Melbourne Policy Library.

4. Legal Policy Working Party

A Legal Party Working Party, chaired by Chris Penman (General Counsel), has been established to review key University of Melbourne legal policy, including the Delegations Policy (and attendant Procedures and Schedules), Commercial Activities and Joint Undertakings Policy (and associated documentation), and the Register of Authorities and Responsibilities (ROAR).

5. Local Documentation Working Party

A Local Documentation Working Party, chaired by Brigid Freeman (University Policy Officer), has been established to identify good practice examples of documentation developed to support University Policies, Procedures and Guidelines. A bank of exemplar resources will be made available via the Melbourne Policy webpage to support the development of local documentation.
6. Reporting to Government Policy and Reporting to Government Procedure

The Reporting to Government Policy and Reporting to Government Procedure have been approved by the Senior Vice-Principal (access via the Melbourne Policy Library). The objective is to formalise reporting to government practices. The policy is linked to the University of Melbourne’s Accountability Framework which states that for reasons of institutional effectiveness and good management, all major reporting obligations in the higher education domain are co-ordinated by the Senior Vice-Principal as the accountable senior officer, with the Finance and Planning Group being the locus of responsibility and action. Contact: Caroline Ostrowski, Finance and Planning email: caroline.ostrowski@unimelb.edu.au; telephone: 9035 9795.

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7. Tools for Policy Practitioners

- The Information Sheet – Policy Benchmarking identifies links to Australian university policy repositories to facilitate policy benchmarking.
- The Information Sheet – University Governance and Policy Instruments provides information regarding University of Melbourne governance and policy instruments, and supporting documentation.
- The Information Sheet – New Policy Development Cycle provides information regarding the University of Melbourne cycle governing the development of new University-wide Policies, Procedures and Schedules.
- The Policy, Procedure and Schedule Approval Form has been developed to facilitate endorsement and approval of new University-wide Policies, Procedures and Schedules, and approval of amendments to existing University-wide Policies, Procedures and Schedules.

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