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## Meet your representatives: New NECTAR Co-Chairs»

Congratulations to Mari Kondo (2nd term), Bin Lu, Hieu Nguyen and Kai Zhang, who have been elected NECTAR Co-Chairs! Mari, Bin, Hieu and Kai will lead the network on behalf of all ECAs and give NECTAR a strong voice in academic governance. [Learn more](#) about the new Co-Chairs and their visions for NECTAR.

A big thank you to the outgoing Co-Chairs, whose terms have just ended: Siva Karuturi, Ehsan Kheradpezhoh and Sean Perera. Thank you for your contributions and leadership during a particularly challenging time.



## **Panel discussions with the Deans» 17 & 22 September**

In an ANU-first, NECTAR will come together with the Deans of all ANU Colleges for a collegial discussion on the future of ANU. Don't miss this opportunity to ask questions and share your ideas. Registration is essential.

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HASS panel – 17 September, 2pm

STEMM panel – 22 September, 1pm



## **Being influential workshop» Starts 8 September**

Become a more influential researcher by better understanding and motivating your audiences and discover the fundamentals of value-based communication.

This is a 3-part online workshop: 8, 10 and 15 September, 10am-12pm.

Placements are limited, registration is essential.



## **#ANU3MT 2020 Final»**

**Friday 4 September – 12.30pm**

Catch a glimpse of the amazing research projects that are being conducted by ANU PhD candidates in the final of the ANU Three Minute Thesis competition. Ten finalists will wow you and the judges for the Virtual #ANU3MT 2020 crown, \$5,000 in prize money and a place in the UQ Asia-Pacific grand finale.



## **PostAc»**

Have you tried out PostAc yet? This new product has been developed by ANU researchers to help PhD graduates find jobs outside academia in which they can use their research skills. Access PostAc with your ANU email address or look through the free online short course.

## TOP 4 **DISRUPTIONS** TO WORK



## **EMCR Forum Report on impacts of COVID-19 on EMCRs»**

In May 2020, the EMCR Forum conducted a survey to investigate the impacts of COVID-19 on EMCRs. The survey focused on the STEM sector but the findings are relevant for all disciplines. The full report with survey results and recommendations for actions is now available online.



## **Altmetric Explorer for Institutions – now available at ANU»**

Thousands of conversations about scholarly content happen online every day. Altmetric tracks a range of sources to capture and collate this activity, helping you to monitor and report on mentions of your research.

Visit [AltmetricatANU](#) for more information or [register](#) for the Zoom session on 8 September, 12-1pm.



## **Idea to Impact Intensive» Starts 8 September**

The Idea to Impact program is a competitive program for researchers and entrepreneurs with early traction with their ventures who are looking to progress their ideas, find commercial partners and market opportunities.

Free for ANU researchers who have a project or idea they would like to further explore through this program.



## **Free IP and Commercialisation Training»**

New to IP and commercialisation? Genmaker in partnership with KCA has developed free training modules for university researchers.



### **In other news»**

Thank you to those who attended the NECTAR AGM on 4 August. Missed it? You can read the meeting minutes [here](#). Heads-up: The NECTAR office will be closed 24 August – 4 September. The [NECTAR research webinar series](#) will continue as normal. Save the date: 3 September, 2-2.50pm; Zoom ID 956 1777 7306, password 783628.



### **Join the NECTAR Custodians» Next meeting 2 September – 11.30am**

Are you an ECA? Would you like to help shape or drive Early Career Academic experience at ANU? The NECTAR Custodians and Co-Chairs meet regularly to discuss issues, share ideas and lead NECTAR.

Keen to join the team? Contact the NECTAR office.

### **Subscribe to The Early Career Academic»**

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