2012 SUMMIT OF COUNCILS OF DEANS
9.00 – 11.40am, Friday, 9 March 2012
Hotel Realm, Canberra

INVITATION

You are invited to attend the 2012 Summit of Councils of Deans on Friday 9th March 2012, a satellite event at the Universities Australia Higher Education Conference at the Hotel Realm in Canberra. This summit will provide an opportunity for Councils of Deans to meet in an informal, discursive and open environment. This year’s program includes invited speakers and discussion sessions on identified areas of common interest to Executive Deans or Pro Vice-Chancellors across any discipline.

Topics for discussion include the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency’s linking of disciplinary standards into the new regulatory, accreditation and quality assurance framework, the impact of the ‘Caps-Off’ environment across disciplines and Universities Australia’s future plans and challenges taking into account Government expectations and Deans’ engagement. Please see attached for the current Summit of Councils of Deans’ Program.

Who should attend?
This event is open to any Executive Dean or Pro Vice-Chancellor with an interest in the topics being discussed. We particularly encourage Presidents, Chairs, Executive Members and Executive Officers of all Councils of Deans.

Registration and more information
Delegates can register online through the University Australia website. Registration fees are $60 (including GST) to cover the event costs. For more information, please see the most recent version of the conference program or contact DASSH Executive Officer, Fiona Doyle eo@dassh.edu.au
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## program

### 8.30

Registration and tea/coffee

### 9.00

**Introduction & Welcome**

Professor Krishna Sen, President, The Australasian Council of Deans of Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities (DASHH)

### 9.05

**The Impact of the ‘Caps Off’ Environment**

Chair: Professor John Beynon, President, Australian Council of Engineering Deans (ACED)

Various Deans’ Councils will share noticeable key trends that they are developing and experiencing as a result of the ‘Caps Off’ environment in their discipline. *(Please note that this session will about sharing observations rather than providing confirmed pre-census statistics.)*

### 9.55

Morning tea

### 10.15

**TEQSA - Disciplinary Standards and Accreditation**

Speaker: Dr. Carol Nicoll, Chief Commissioner, Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA)

Chair: Professor Brenda Cherednichenko, President-Elect, Australian Council of Deans of Education (ACDE)

Dr Carol Nicoll will present on TEQSA’s linking of disciplinary standards into the new regulatory, accreditation and quality assurance framework. There will also be a Q&A and group discussion session.

### 11.00

**Universities Australia 2012-17**

Speaker: Belinda Robinson, Chief Executive Officer, Universities Australia

Chair: Professor Susan Dodds, Board Member, DASSH

Belinda Robinson will present an overview of her vision for Universities Australia, what she foresees as key challenges (taking into account expected policy developments) over the next five years and how Deans’ Councils and Universities Australia can better engage to address key areas of common concern.

### 11.30

**Summary & Close**

Professor John Germov, Vice-President, DASHH

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