Review of the edu.au Domain’s Governance Arrangements and Eligibility and Allocation Policies

Universities Australia welcomes the opportunity to comment on the review of the edu.au domain’s governance arrangements.

Australian universities provide more than one million students, and more than 50,000 academic staff, with access to the Internet. This is essential to their role as education providers. For that reason, the edu.au domain plays an important role in supporting many universities activities.

Universities Australia sought input from our members and liaised with The Council of Australian University Directors of Information Technology (CAUDIT) and our member responses generally correspond with CAUDIT’s views.

Consequently, Universities Australia supports the submission made by CAUDIT, and provides the following additional comments.

The current process for filling vacancies on eDAC are appropriate in relation to the university sector. UA liaises with relevant bodies, and its members, in identifying appropriately qualified nominees for any university vacancy.

Regarding the domain’s eligibility types, UA supports the maintenance of the existing criteria. That is, we do not believe that there is any compelling case to support either relaxing or tightening eligibility criteria. While “related services” allows some flexibility for the domain, its application should be carefully monitored particularly in relation to its potential application to care-related organisations.
Universities Australia is available to meet to discuss any elements of this submission.

Should you have any further enquiries, please contact [Redacted]

Yours sincerely

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