

Australia's Chief Scientist | 2021 Strategic Workplan

PURPOSE

To ensure Australia has access to high-calibre, independent and authoritative scientific advice, to develop well-informed responses to modern challenges.

GOAL

To identify opportunities for improving the science and research system, including commercialisation outcomes.

KEY PRIORITIES

Open Access

Champion OA for Australia, including development of a roadmap, with links to research integrity

Next Gen Tech

Support emerging technologies implementation including establishment of a working group for quantum technologies

The Council

Increase awareness of the science and technology advice available to Government including improvement of mechanisms for its delivery

APS Scientific Capability

Increase understanding of the scientific capability across the public service to strengthen public policy outcomes

DELIVERABLES AND CORE RESPONSIBILITIES

Establish a 'Government Scientists Group' to leverage the government's investment in science and identify opportunities for collaboration

Manage the Australian Science Policy Fellowship Program, and deliver an alumni network

Engage with key stakeholders and the public through events, speeches, presentations, website and digital content.

Provide strategic advice through leading and/or participating in a number of key priority areas for Government, including:

- National Science & Technology Council
- Innovation Industry & Science Australia
- Science & Industry Technical Advisory Group
- Office of National Intelligence Science Council
- University Research Commercialisation Scheme Taskforce
- Forum of Australian Chief Scientists
- Government Scientists Group
- Other ex-officio board, committee and council roles