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ANU APPOINTS EXPERT PANEL TO STUDY TELECOMMUNICATIONS RESILIENCE

The ANU Tech Policy Design Centre today announces a panel of 26 experts to advise on its first-of-a-kind study of the resilience of Australia's telecommunications sector.

Funded by the Australian Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts, the independent project is led by the ANU Tech Policy Design Centre.

"All Australians depend on the telecommunications sector every day. This project is mapping resilience of the sector and will make recommendations to strengthen it" said Professor Johanna Weaver, Director of the Tech Policy Design Centre.

"The project is the first of its kind in the world. It takes a sector wide, all hazards approach, while also combining considerations of risk and resilience."

"The Risk and Resilience Expert Panel appointed today will inform every step of the project, acting as a forum for frank exchange among experts from industry, government, civil society and academia on the biggest barriers to telecommunications resilience."

The Risk and Resilience Expert Panel (RREP) includes those at the forefront of systems-thinking, cyber-security, risk, resilience, disaster management and emerging technologies.

Comprised of diverse practitioners with backgrounds in engineering, network architecture, climate change research, government, enterprise and strategic policy, the RREP will help build an evidence base for future government policy making.

The work will unfold over five stages, including building a community of practice through the RREP, industry consultation, focus groups, and interim reports.

The project will culminate with the delivery of the nation's first sector-wide telecommunications risk and resilience profile.

Further information, including the biographies of the Risk and Resilience Expert Panel members, can be found on the project webpage, here.

RISK AND RESILIENCE EXPERT PANEL MEMBERS

- Alexander Osborne
- Cameron Scott
- Carolyn Phiddian
- Chloe Harpley (Observer, Project Manager)
- Colin Muller
- Craig Smith
- Dave O'Loan
- Dan Weis
- David Haigh
- Ebony Aitken
- Elise Ball
- Fred Fernandes (Observer, Risk Advisor)
- Dr Gareth Downing
- Gill Savage
- Dr Holly Randell-Moon
- Dr Huon Curtis (Observer, Lead Researcher)
- Jamie Morse
- Jason Duerden
- Jeff Whitton
- Professor Johanna Weaver (Chair)
- Kirsty McKinnon
- Laurence Plant
- Luke Coleman
- Michelle Phillips
- Min Livanidis
- Narelle Clark
- Dr Paul Barnes
- Professor Ryan Ko
- Stephen Farrugia
- Representative from the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (ex officio)
- Representative from the Department of Home Affairs (ex officio)