

Third space: the depth

Wrap up

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Outcome 1: organisations & individuals

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Organisations *organisers, presenters, other*

- Australian Research Data Commons (ARDC), National
- Data Science and eResearch, Macquarie University (NSW)
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Outcome 2: A “Document of Diversity”

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- Defining & naming
- Operational models
- Success and metrics
- Individual career progression
- Outreach to “clients”
- Workload
- Sustainability
- ...

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“Third Space” Document of Diversity

This document is a key outcome of the conversation around the “Third Space”, led by the teams at Melbourne Data Analytics Platforms and Sydney Informatics Hub. The purpose of this document is to enable asynchronous collaboration by Australian stakeholders around current practices of operations, management and engagement of research enabling staff with clients, colleagues and funding bodies. We plan to distill insights found here and share this report with collaborators, stakeholders, management and policymakers.

Please contribute to the following broad topic areas, or add additional areas to the end of the document:

1. [The “Third Space”- do you think there is a better label for our diverse and multi-faceted workforce?](#)

2. [Defining the space](#)

[How do you define your own organisation? ...](#)

[How do you think we should define this space? ...](#)

3. [Operating models & funding strategies to ensure sustainability](#)

[How is your “third space” organisation, unit or role funded?](#)

[How many staff in each area?](#)

[What services are provided in-kind to researchers and what for \[ee?\]](#)

[How do you ensure the sustainability of your services?](#)

[How do you build and sustain excellence in your team/staff?](#)

[Do you provide external consultancy?](#)

4. [Defining success: what metrics demonstrate that a “third space” unit is effectively supporting an organisation’s/university’s researchers?](#)

5. [Supporting individual career progression](#)

[Attracting the right staff to the organisation](#)

[Supporting career progression within the same institution/organisation](#)

[Supporting career progression across institutions/organisations](#)

6. [Engaging with researchers/clients: strategies, success stories and challenges](#)

[Engagement](#)

[Prioritisation](#)

7. [Outreach and building researcher literacy](#)

[How do you encourage researchers to seek your support and to understand what might be gained from it?](#)

[What role \(if any\) does training researchers play in your team’s operations?](#)

[How do you develop increased independence in researchers you support?](#)

[Are there some academic disciplines that are harder to attract than others? \(E.g. we find many engineers](#)

Thank you!

Next event: (Tentative) ~ 30 July

