

CAUL Strategic Plan
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OAK-Law Report to CAUL

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Section	Contribution to Research
Action	Represent CAUL and the RUBRIC project on the Project Advisory Group
Responsibility	
Time-line	To end of OAK-Law project http://www.oaklaw.qut.edu.au/
Activity since last report	<p>The OAK-Law Project Advisory Group met on the 8th March 2007 at QUT. A significant amount of work has been happening through the project groups which were created following the release and recommendations in the OAK-Law Report no.1. These project groups are working on several of the recommendations.</p> <p>A forthcoming project publication A Guide to Developing an Open Access Policy for your Digital Repository was distributed in final draft form for comment. The purpose of the guide is to provide legal protocols for the whole process of establishing and managing a digital repository.</p> <p>A second draft document Copyright Guide for PhD students depositing their Electronic Thesis in an Online Repository which will also be released soon was provided for comment.</p> <p>Once available these documents will be valuable additions to the toolkit for the creation of digital repositories.</p> <p>Another project is the OAK List which will focus on creating legal frameworks for open access to academic and research material. Phase one involves reviewing the Publishing Agreements of major Australian publishers and recommending on clauses for open access. This project supplements the Sherpa/Romeo project in the UK.</p> <p>The work from these projects is timely and will benefit the sector in the development of institutional repositories.</p>
Achievements since last report	
Publicity, reports, publications since last report	
Plan for forthcoming activity	Release of the documents currently in draft form.
CAUL budget implications	none
Recommendations to CAUL	Members note the report.

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