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# **National Research Infrastructure Advisory Group Meeting 9 – 3 April 2025**

Update from the Chair

The ninth National Research Infrastructure Advisory Group (NRIAG) meeting was held as a two-hour online meeting on Thursday, 3 April 2025.

New members were welcomed. The meeting received updates from the Department of Education on the Step Change investment process, and the anticipated timing of investment decisions by the Department in 2025.

With regard to the Translational Research Infrastructure (TRI) Step Change, the Group discussed some of the challenges in determining potential industry demand, and implicated gaps and opportunities for TRI capabilities. It was agreed to continue the discussion of TRI at the next meeting, in part to inform the [Roadmap development process](https://www.education.gov.au/national-research-infrastructure/2026-national-research-infrastructure-roadmap).

The Group considered early insights from the [Survey](https://www.education.gov.au/national-research-infrastructure/consultations/help-shape-future-research-infrastructure-planning) that had been released in February seeking views on the current and emerging requirements that the 2026 Roadmap should cover.

The Group endorsed the establishment of an Expert Working Group (EWG) to lead the Roadmap development process, with the EWG including some members of the NRIAG.

The next NRIAG meeting will be held in Canberra in June 2025.