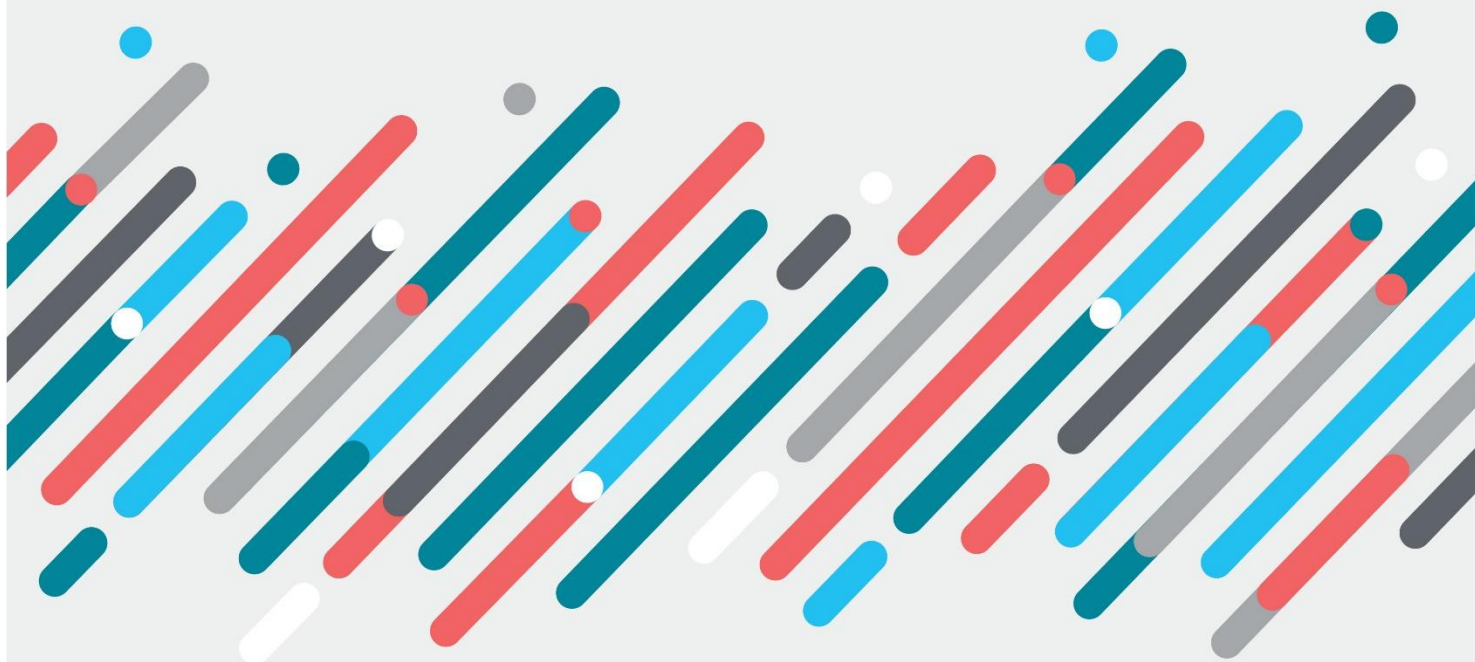




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Preview



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Privacy Statement

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (the Privacy Act). Personal information is information or an opinion about an identifiable individual. Personal information includes an individual's name and contact details.

The following survey may collect personal information about you in your survey response (your submission), including your name, contact details, employment details, opinions, feedback and any other personal information (including sensitive information) you volunteer about yourself in the free-text fields.

Any personal information you choose to provide will be handled in accordance with this privacy statement.

Collection of your information

Your personal information may be collected by:

- the department and/or
- the department's contracted service providers, including its online survey provider, Converlens Pty Ltd (Converlens).

Collection of personal information about others

We need consent to collect personal information from someone other than the individual concerned, unless certain exceptions apply. If you provide personal information about another individual, you need to check with them first that they agree to the information being provided and being handled by the department in accordance with this privacy statement.

Please do not provide personal information about any other individual unless you have their consent.

Purpose of collecting your information

Your personal information is collected by the department and its contracted service providers for the purposes of:

- informing the development of the 2026 National Research Infrastructure (NRI) Roadmap and any related products.
- inviting you to participate in future consultation processes related to the 2026 NRI Roadmap, including contacting you in relation to your submission or setting up and conducting future consultations with you where you have agreed.
- communicating with you about the development of the 2026 NRI Roadmap.
- analysing and reporting on your feedback and insights from the survey and any additional consultation processes you agree to take part in.

Not for completion – Submit responses through the online survey

- understanding the demographics and distribution of respondents participating in the consultations on the 2026 NRI Roadmap. This information may be used for reporting purposes but will be de-identified prior to being published.
- publishing your submission on the department's website where you have agreed (see further information below about publication).

The department may use technology provided by Converlens, including its artificial intelligence (AI) systems to assist the department to analyse and summarise your submissions, which may include processing your personal information. All potential outputs by Converlens' AI systems will be subject to review by departmental staff. Converlens complies with the Privacy Act and stores data securely in Australia.

If you do not provide some or all of the personal information requested, the department may not be able to attribute your submission to you and cannot inform you about future consultation opportunities or activities relating to the development of the 2026 NRI Roadmap.

Disclosure of your personal information

Your submission (including any personal information you include in your submission) may be disclosed to the following parties for the purposes stated above.

- the NRI Advisory Group
- the Department of Industry, Science and Resources
- Converlens
- Qualtrics
- Contractors or consultants engaged by the department in connection with the NRI Roadmap.

Your personal information may also be disclosed to other parties where you have agreed, or where it is otherwise permitted under the Privacy Act.

Privacy Policy

The department's [Privacy Policy](#) contains more information about how the department will manage your personal information, including information about how to make a complaint and seek access to and correction of your personal information, and our use of artificial intelligence. Further information on how the department manages your submission can also be found on the [Terms and Conditions for public submissions](#) page.

Read more about how Qualtrics and Converlens handle personal information in their privacy policies:

- [Converlens](#)
- [Qualtrics](#)

To contact the department about your personal information, email privacy@education.gov.au

To contact the department about the 2026 NRI Roadmap, email ResearchInfrastructure@education.gov.au

My consent

I confirm that I understand and agree to the collection and handling of my personal information (including any sensitive information I volunteer) in accordance with the privacy statement.

- ☐ Yes, I agree

Other individuals consent

I confirm that to the extent I have provided personal information about another individual, I have obtained that individual's consent to provide their personal information and for their personal information to be collected and handled in accordance with the privacy statement.

- ☐ Yes, I confirm

Contact Details

Please provide your contact information.

Title

- ☐ Mr
- ☐ Mrs
- ☐ Ms
- ☐ Dr
- ☐ A/Prof
- ☐ Prof
- ☐ Other

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

Organisation (Please provide the name of your organisation or group)

In what capacity are you responding?

I am responding as:

- ☐ An individual
- ☐ A representative of an organisation or group

Publication of Submissions

Once the analysis of this survey is finalised, your submission will be made publicly available on the department's website, unless you indicate below that you do not agree to that.

If you consent to your submission being published and attributed to you, your submission (including any personal information you include in your submission, but not your email address), may be published on the department's website, which by its nature, may involve disclosure to overseas recipients in any country. As such, by agreeing below to have your submission attributed to you and published, you are consenting to your personal information being accessible overseas and acknowledge that an overseas recipient is not likely to be subject to the Privacy Act and the department will not have an obligation to take reasonable steps to ensure that they do not breach the Australian Privacy Principles in relation to the published information.

If you consent to your submission being published but would like to remain anonymous, all efforts will be made to deidentify your responses before being published.

Please select how you would like your submission treated:

- ☐ I agree for my submission to be published and attributed to me or my organisation or group
- ☐ I agree for my submission to be published but would like to remain anonymous
- ☐ I do not agree for my submission to be published

Approval to be contacted

The department may wish to contact you regarding your submission to seek your further views in relation to the 2026 NRI Roadmap. This may be in the form of future surveys, targeted workshops, or through other avenues.

Do you agree to the department contacting you for this reason?

- ☐ Yes, I agree to the department contacting me to seek my further views regarding the 2026 NRI Roadmap
- ☐ No, I do not agree to the department contacting me to seek my further views regarding the 2026 NRI Roadmap

Demographics

This section contains some demographic questions.

What best describes your occupational category?

- ☐ Researcher
- ☐ Research support staff or technical staff
- ☐ Research Manager
- ☐ Senior management or executive in a research organisation
- ☐ Industry professional or provider
- ☐ Post graduate student
- ☐ Public servant
- ☐ Other

Which of the below best describes your employment sector?

- ☐ Government
- ☐ Independent research organisation
- ☐ NCRIS capability
- ☐ Publicly Funded Research Agency
- ☐ University
- ☐ Private Enterprise
- ☐ Not for profit
- ☐ Other

What does good National Research Infrastructure (NRI) look like?

The following questions refer to ‘Chapter 3: What does a good NRI system look like?’
(3000 character limit for each question)

Q1. What additional elements of ‘what good looks like’ should be considered in the future design of the NRI system?

Q2. Where are the opportunities to strengthen the analysis of the global context and how could they be addressed?

Q3. Where are the opportunities to strengthen the analysis of the current state in Australia, and how could they be addressed?

Q4. What opportunities for change to current national planning and prioritisation approaches do you recommend for consideration?

Q5. What opportunities do you see for more effective coordination or integration among NRI facilities?

Q6. What specific opportunities for improved coordination between funding schemes do you recommend should be subject to further analysis in 2027–2028?

Q7. What specific opportunities to improve governance should be analysed in 2027–2028 to enhance the efficiency and value for money of Australia's NRI?

Capabilities—Digital research infrastructure

The following question refers to section 5.2. Digital research infrastructure Capabilities (3000 character limit)

Q8. AI is impacting research practices in all domains. What are the implications for how we should plan and prioritise national research infrastructure? (You may wish to respond with respect to one or more specific domains, or with respect to digital research infrastructure as an enabling capability.)

Capabilities—Collections

The following questions refer to section 5.6. Collections (3000 character limit for each question)

Q9. Do you agree with the definition of nationally significant research collections in terms of reach, connectivity and research impact? Why or why not?

Q10. Are the strategic objectives and key areas for action the priority ones?

Capabilities—Overall

The following question refers to Chapter 5: Capabilities (3000 character limit)

Q11. In the descriptions of any of the capabilities (workforce, digital research infrastructure, fabrication, observation, measurement, and collections), are there key aspects that have not been mentioned? If so, please elaborate.

Near-term coordination

The following questions refer to Chapter 6: Near-term coordination
(3000 character limit for each question)

- Q12. Do you have any comments on the proposed phased approach to elevate Indigenous Knowledge Systems?**
- Q13. Do you have any comments on the proposed integrated national approach to HPC (high-performance computing)?**
- Q14. Do you have any comments on the proposed phased approach to collections?**

Findings

The following question refers to Findings section of the Executive Summary
(3000 character limit for each question)

- Q15. Please add any feedback on the draft findings you would like the Roadmap Expert Working Group to consider.**

Overall

(7000 character limit)

- Q16. Please add any other feedback you would like the Roadmap Expert Working Group to consider.**

To finalise your submission, please click the submit button.