

# **Professors and Heads of Information Systems<sup>1</sup> in New Zealand (PHIS-NZ)**

## **Terms of Reference**

### **Objectives**

The principal objective of PHIS-NZ is to provide a peer network for individuals who have responsibility for administering research and education in Information Systems departments and schools in New Zealand. Other objectives are to:

- Promote Information Systems research and education in New Zealand;
- Provide an expert perspective on matters of national and international importance that impact the Information Systems academic discipline in New Zealand;
- Provide a forum for discussion and debate on issues relating to the development of Information Systems as a discipline in New Zealand universities;
- Provide a mechanism for greater collaboration between Information Systems departments and schools; and
- Support, liaise and collaborate with the Australian Council of Professors and Heads of Information Systems (ACPHIS).

### **Membership**

Membership in PHIS-NZ includes all professors/associate professors and heads/associate heads of departments and schools who have principal responsibility for delivery of research and education in the field of Information Systems in New Zealand.

### **Leadership**

A Chair and Deputy Chair will be elected by members of PHIS-NZ, normally for a two-year term.

### **Meetings**

Meetings, including an annual general meeting, will be conducted as required.

### **Liaison**

PHIS-NZ will liaise with ACPHIS, AAIS (Australasian Association for Information Systems) and other organisations as required.

### **Secretariat**

Secretarial assistance for PHIS-NZ will be provided by the Chair's institution.

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<sup>1</sup> Information Systems is considered to also include (but not be limited to) Management Information Systems, Information Management, Information Technology, Business Informatics, Information Science and Management Systems.