

ATUC Terms of Reference

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- To provide advice to the Director on operational and developmental issues relating to the facilities provided by the ATNF. These include ASKAP, the Australia Telescope Compact Array, the Parkes Murriyang radio telescope, the Long Baseline Array, the Tidbinbilla radio telescopes, and all aspects of National Facility support.
- To make recommendations to the Director that seek to maximise the scientific productivity and maintain the international competitiveness of the ATNF, taking into account the likely resource availability.
- To consult widely with the national and international community, liaising where necessary with the national time assignment groups, to make informed recommendations to the Director on priorities for both operations and future developments.
- To meet twice a year in both open and closed sessions, with appropriate input on developments and responses to issues from the ATNF.
- To provide an annual report for communication to the AT Steering Committee in March/April of each year.
- To maintain a membership of 10 to 13 voting members, two of which will be students, plus a non-voting CSIRO staff member appointed as ATUC Executive Officer. The membership will reflect the geographical distribution of users and include users of the full range of facilities.

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