GLOBAL ALLIANCE SCHEME - GUIDELINES

1 Purpose

Developing international partnerships and global alliances is important for Charles Sturt University to gain international recognition for its research and for benchmarking purposes. This scheme is intended to support the development of global alliances with International Research Centres, Research Groups or Research Agencies which are similar but complementary to CSU's areas of research strength. The partnering body or bodies are encouraged to match the funds requested under this Scheme.

Global alliance funds are to be used to support travel for CSU Academic staff members to visit or to have academics from the partner agencies visit within 12 months of the application. The use of these funds must result in a tangible joint outcome, specifically joint publications, joint research grants or joint conference.

The Scheme is not intended to provide long-term subsidisation. Multiple applications for the same alliance are unlikely to be supported. Funding support and outcomes will be reviewed annually.

2 Eligibility

CSU Academic staff who have a strong research profile in an area of research strength at CSU are eligible to apply under this Scheme.

3 Value

Grants under this scheme are each valued at up to $10,000(AUD).

Up to 5 grants will be supported annually.

Note: Any surplus funds remaining after the successful completion of the project/support will be recovered back to source by the Research Office. Any deficit remaining will be the responsibility of the School or Centre administering the funds.

4 Application Process

Applications should clearly and succinctly describe the significance of the specific global alliance proposed and how the funding will be used to develop the alliance. Written confirmation of matching funds from the partner(s) must be included. The application should clearly describe the benefits and specific, tangible outcomes from developing the alliance.

5 Application Format

The application should not exceed five (5) pages plus appended confirmation from the partner organisation(s).   The application format is not otherwise prescriptive, however applications should clearly identify all CSU participants and key participants from partner organisations.

6 Endorsement

All applications should be endorsed in writing by the relevant Executive Dean or Research Centre Director. Applications that cross multiple Faculties or Centres should have endorsement from each area.

7 Selection Process

A sub-committee of the Research Advisory Committee will assess applications with consideration of factors including the nature of proposed alliance and partners, identified benefits and likely tangible outcomes; and alignment with strategic institutional research priorities. The sub-committee will make recommendations to the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research) for approval.