RESEARCH ADMINISTRATORS NETWORK MEETING
August 2012

Time:  3:00pm to 4:00pm (Presentation Agenda), 4:00pm to 5:00pm (Networking)
Date:  15 August 2012
Venue:  Design@Eng Studio, Level 5, School of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering Building (map reference J17)

Upon arrival, please write your name on the stickers provided and wear, for the benefit of our new guests.

AGENDA

Welcome -5 min
Alexandra Bell, Communications and Training Officer, GMO

Half-Yearly Debrief – 15 min
Daniel Owens, Acting Director, GMO
An overview of key grants management and research administration developments within the past 6 months.

New Process- Treatment of Infrastructure Support on Federally Funded Grants – 10 min
Daniel Owens, Acting Director, GMO
Important changes to F&A indirect costs are being implemented as a result of the A133 Audit. Discover how these changes affect University administration of funds, and how we should now advise our researchers in regards to their request for F&A costs in grant applications. Please view attached diagram for your reference.

Start Dates for ARC Funding – 10 min
Susanne Clark, Team Leader, Science Grants Team, GMO
The three start dates on ARC grant funding agreements are a common source of confusion for researchers. Learn how to clarify the must-start by, project-start and award-start dates.

InfoEd Fundamentals – 20 min
Lucian Hiss, Assistant Director of Operations, Grants Management Office
Get the most out of InfoEd - improve your basic navigation skills and learn how to generate new reports. This session would benefit staff new to grants management, or team members interested in a general overview or refresher course.

As usual, our business agenda will conclude at 4:00pm, after which members are most welcome to enjoy a selection of canapés and drinks in the Design@Eng Studio Lounge from 4:00pm-5:00pm.
Treatment of Infrastructure Support on US Federally Funded Grants

Current Process

8%

- Dr. 4% Research Project Cont Res Overhead Int (account 6443)
- Cr. 4% OPDO12VCR Int Internal Revenue (account 6445)
- Dr. 4% Research Project Cont Res Overhead Fac (account 6446)
- Cr. 4% OPDO1 Faculty Cont Res Overhead Fac (account 6446)

New Process

3%

- Dr. 3% Research Project Cont Res Overhead Int (account 6445)
- Cr. 3% OPDO1EDDF PS29166 Internal Revenue (account 6443)
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Notes

- New process involves training researchers to ask for only 3% for F&A costs when submitting proposals.
- New process will commence immediately.
- 3% will be credited to OPDO1EDDF PS29166 and used to fund the AE33 audit costs. Payment of the audit costs will be managed by Fiance.
- CAO will provide update of new process at the next RAN meeting on the 15th of Aug.