Information and Communications Technology (ICT) policy



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1. PURPOSE

To outline the key principles underpinning FRDC's Information and Communications Technology (ICT) systems and processes.

2. RESPONSIBILITY

Responsibility for this policy resides with Business Development Manager.

3. **DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS**

Definitions - follow link to <u>Definitions</u>
Acronyms – follow link to <u>Acronyms and Abbreviations</u>

4. RISK CATEGORY

Strategic	Operational	Financial	ICT	People
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5. RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

This section contains links to internally and externally facing documents – access to internally facing documents is restricted to FRDC employees.

Relevant documentation	Document location or web address		
Internal			
Business Continuity Policy	<u>NEMO-17552-73</u>		
ICT Acceptable Use Policy	NEMO-17552-74		
Strategic Plan Policy	ICT Strategy		
External			
The Australian Government Information Security	<u>ISM</u>		
Manual (ISM)			
Australian Government Protective Security Policy	<u>PSPF</u>		
Framework			
Investment in Research, Development and	FRDC website		
Extension (RD&E) policy			
FRDC's Research, Development Extension Plan	FRDC website		
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6. PUBLICATION

This policy is to be made available on the FRDC website.

7. BACKGROUND

ICT is an integral component of the FRDC governance framework and ensures that FRDC has appropriate processes and practices in place to deliver better practice.

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8. POLICY

FRDC will develop and implement an ICT strategic plan that is consistent with better practice principles for ICT and is fit for purpose. The ICT plan will:

- 1. align with and support the key objectives of the FRDC corporate strategic R&D plan
- 2. support the delivery, enhancement and dissemination of research information and outcomes
- 3. support and enhance knowledge management within FRDC
- 4. include a disaster recovery plan to ensure the business continuity of ICT systems for FRDC
- 5. be consistent with, and support, the overall risk management plan.

FRDC will develop and maintain an ICT security control framework in accordance with its obligations set out in *The Australian Government Information Security Manual (ISM)* and the *Australian Government Protective Security Policy Framework.*

FRDC will have ICT equipment and the physical and environmental security controls to allow employees to seamlessly connect to FRDC systems wherever they are.

9. ATTACHMENTS

#	Description
1	Not applicable

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