

AINSLIE DEWE AWARDED ALIA FELLOWSHIP

Ainslie Dewe is University Librarian at La Trobe University in Melbourne. Prior to taking up this appointment in 2008, Ainslie was University Librarian and Director of Knowledge Management at Auckland University of Technology for six years and from 1997 to 2002 Director of RMIT University Library in Melbourne.

Ainslie has been a member of the Council of Australian University Librarians (CAUL) from 1997 to 2002 and from 2008 has again held this position. Ainslie was a member of the CAUL Statistics Focus Group from 1997 to 2002 and chaired this Group between 1999 and 2001. As Chair, Ainslie worked to enable the collection of accurate, relevant and authoritative data to inform the management of Australian and New Zealand university libraries and promoted methodology for valuing the economic costs and benefits of libraries developed with Coopers and Lybrand. Since her return to Australia in 2008, Ainslie has been a member of the CAUL Executive Committee and is currently Deputy President. She was also a member of the CAUL Library Staff Development Conference 2010 Committee.

Ainslie was a significant contributor to CAUL's submission to DEEWR's inquiry into An Indicator Framework for High Education Performance Funding in 2010 and represented CAUL at the Productivity Commission

Roundtable on parallel importation of books in April 2009. She represented CAUL at the Senate Employment, Workplace Relations, Small Business and Education Reference Committee hearing into the capacity of public universities to meet Australia's higher education needs in 2001, the inaugural Tertiary Education Associations Forum in 2009 and at Exploring Educational Possibilities: Emerging Technologies and the National Broadband in 2009.

Ainslie has represented Australia and New Zealand on the International Association of Technological University Libraries (IATUL) Board since 2006 and is the current Board President. She also convened the IATUL conference Digital Discovery: Strategies and Solutions held at Auckland University of Technology in New Zealand.

In awarding the distinction of Fellow of the Australian Library and Information Association on Ainslie Dewe, the Association recognises the significant and valuable contribution Ainslie has made to the library and information services profession in Australia and her dedication to the aims of the Association. Her Fellowship will be presented at the next meeting of the Council of Australian University Librarians in April 2011.

Sue Hutley
Executive Director, ALIA

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