

YOUR FUTURE, OUR FUTURE – HAVE YOUR SAY

ALIA's National Advisory Congresses (NAC) are held in each state and territory each year to provide members with an opportunity to actively participate in discussion on policy, planning and topical issues relevant to the Association. The first Congress for 2013 was held in Western Australia in July, with other states to follow over the coming months and a summit in October to complete the program.

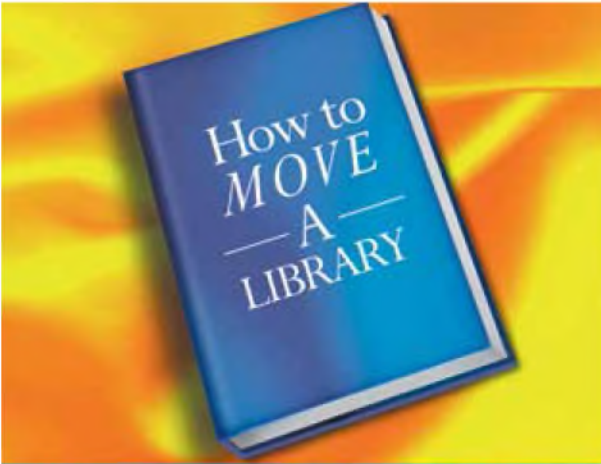
"It's more important than ever before for ALIA Members to take part this year because we will be discussing what the future of the profession will be," ALIA President Julie Rae says in her video invitation to members on the ALIA website.

"Web 3.0, copyright, ebooks, big data, accreditation, qualifications, open access – these are just some of the issues that are influencing our future," she said.

In October, there will be a Future of the Profession Summit in Sydney at which the outcomes of all the National Advisory Congresses, as well as the feedback from the discussion paper, will be presented. This event provides an opportunity for library leaders to define the Association's position on the future of the profession and how this will inform our strategies, policies and activities in 2014 and beyond, as well as deciding how we will communicate this position to the profession and the wider community.

Want to know more?

ALIA has created a *Future of the Profession* discussion paper, available to members on the ALIA Futures wiki at aliafutures.wikispaces.com.



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Chair: ALIA President Julie Rae

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29 August

South Australia

Chair: ALIA President Julie Rae

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3 September

NAC Regional Teleconference

Regional members can contribute to the NAC regional teleconference on September 3.

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10 September

Australian Capital Territory

Chair: ALIA Board Member Aileen Weir

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10 September

Queensland

Chair: ALIA Vice President Susan Coker

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18 September

Tasmania

Chair: ALIA Board Member Damian Lodge

Notes: VIC State Manager, Margie Anderson

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5 October

Northern Territory

Chair: ALIA Board Member Elke Dawson

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The date for the New South Wales meeting is still to be confirmed – check the ALIA website for details.