

FOUNDATIONS FOR EFFECTIVE INDIGENOUS INCLUSION

NEW WAYS OF WORKING

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The Ambition:

ENABLING & EMPOWERING THE INDIGENOUS VOICE IN RESEARCH ON POST-MINING & TRANSITIONING ECONOMIES

AIMS:

Articulate what constitutes 'leading practice' to inform the establishment of and ethical participation by Indigenous Australians in the operations of CRC-Time.

Provide recommendations that support CRC-TiME's intention to be a 'leading practice' facility founded on the principals of Indigenous inclusion and equity buttressed by co-designed research.



The Synthesis Process

Step 1 **Literature review**





international/

national scope

People –

Step 2

Snap-shot review

 Analysis of key guidelines, protocols, and codes that are models advocating Indigenousinclusive approaches to research and participation





Step 3

The capstones



- Articulation of key concepts fundamental to an ethical relationship with Indigenous Australians:
- Country
- Self-determination
- FPIC
- ICIP-TK
- Time
- Articulation of derived concepts:
- mutual respect
- relationships
- Indigenous-led
- Individuality / place based





Step 4

Principles / Recommendations

- Offers a 'NEW WAY of WORKING'
- FOR US, WITH US

(NOT Without Us)

 How to build effective, ethical partnerships and codesign research with Indigenous Australians







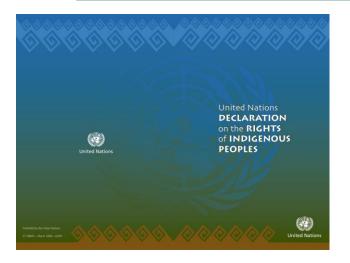
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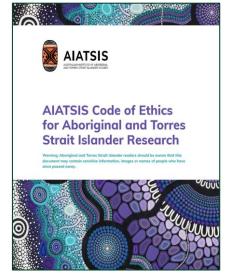
- Indigenous Australians have the right to self-determination **crc-TiME must uphold this First Nations Peoples right** (UNDRIP). Decisions about Indigenous Australians, their culture, their values and their Country must be made with them, ideally by them.
- Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) is a fundamental right crc-Time must uphold this this First Nations Peoples right, including the inherent right to withdraw consent without justification.
- Traditional Knowledge and inherently Indigenous Cultural and Intellectual Property (ICIP)is a fundamental right - CRC-TiME must ensure knowledge and ICIP is protected, respected, acknowledged and not misappropriated.
- Time as a concept for Indigenous Australians differs from that of western civil society CRC-TiME needs to manage and resource this juxtaposition as the foundation for enduring respectful relationships.

Principles / Recommendations

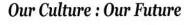
- Indigenous Australians embrace co-design as a concept for the entire lifecycle of a project/program CRC-TiME needs to support Indigenous inclusion from conception to closure and beyond.
- Indigenous inclusion is a crosscutting strategy across all levels of governance CRC-TiME's business and research policies, practices, procedures and protocols must reflect and support the aspiration of Indigenous Australians.
- Just as co-design is a persistent concept so too is Indigenous Inclusion CRC-TiME must remain cognisant of the aspiration of Indigenous Australians and how CRC-TiME's inclusivity mandate must evolve to remain 'leading practice'.

Helpful Resources

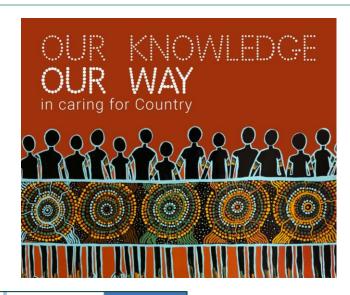








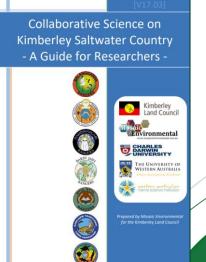
Report on Australian Indigenous Cultural and Intellectual Property Rights













Implications

- What it means for mine closure/transitions going forward?
- Ask Traditional Owners/ Custodians what are their aspirations for Country post-mining.
- Co-design closure and post-mining transitions with Traditional Owners / Custodians.
- Unlock opportunities to promote self—determination and address disadvantage.



Implications

- How these foundation findings highlight the need for the new initiatives to be supported by partners
- 'New Way of Working', a social, environmental and economic dividend to be won.

Participate in the journey.

• Indigenous-led, Indigenous Australians want to be in the drivers seat, we have had enough of being passengers!



Implications

- How these findings highlight the need for other further research.
- Quantifying the aspirations of Indigenous Australians.

• Defining what is culturally significant and how to measure, maintain and value these unique assets.

• What is co-design.



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