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QUT to co-convene AIATSIS National Indigenous Research Conference 2019

The Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) is pleased to announce that it will be co-convening the AIATSIS National Indigenous Research Conference with QUT in 2019. The conference will be held at QUT's Gardens Point campus in Brisbane over three days, 2 to 4 July. The theme is *Research for the 21st century*.

The 2019 conference will build on our previous themes of impact and engagement, to explore the interweaving strands of the transformative capability of research and the transformation of Indigenous research for the 21st century.

The conference will draw together researchers, policymakers, cultural and collecting institutions, the corporate sector, and Indigenous organisations and communities to consider the capacity of the research sector to meet the needs of Indigenous policy and community into the future.

AIATSIS CEO Craig Ritchie said AIATSIS' role as a national forum for dialogue on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, stories, histories and cultures is exemplified through this conference.

"AIATSIS occupies a unique space at the intersection between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, the Government, academy, and the cultural sector," Mr Ritchie said.

"Through this conference we will bring people together to focus on developing Indigenous researchers and Indigenous research, foster collaboration and reset the standards for 'good research'. The conference will also tackle the institutional transformations that will be required to ensure robust Indigenous research for the next 100 years."

QUT's Vice-Chancellor, Professor Margaret Sheil, said the university was looking forward to welcoming delegates to ANIRC in early July.

"QUT is a leader in Indigenous research and our Indigenous Research and Engagement Unit works to advance QUT's broad Indigenous research agenda. The unit also supports the university's higher degree by research students. We have more than 700 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying at QUT, who are supported by our Oodgeroo Unit."

The conference has built a reputation for quality discussion and in depth examination of issues, and attracts up to 500 local and international delegates.

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