

## Call for Expressions of Interest

*September 2024*

# Independent Grants Panel

The ACCAN Board is seeking Expressions of Interest from suitably qualified and experienced individuals wishing to serve on ACCAN's Independent Grants Panel. There are currently TWO vacancies on the Panel.

## About the Independent Grants Panel

The ACCAN Board supports the continuing operation of an Independent Grants Panel ('the Panel') to make recommendations for funding under the ACCAN Independent Grants Program. The Board wishes to ensure applications to the Program are assessed independently, and that it receives the best possible recommendations for funding of projects.

This document sets out the process for appointment to the Panel, and should be read in conjunction with the Panel [Terms of Reference](#).

## Selection process

Panel members will be selected through a competitive process taking into consideration the following selection criteria. Members will be chosen based on their individual expertise and will be considered in terms of achieving a range of sectoral skills and experiences across the Panel membership.

**The ACCAN Board is particularly interested in receiving Expressions of Interest from candidates with experience in the community sector and/or current research knowledge of the social impact of digital platforms.**

A sub-committee of the ACCAN Board will assess the Expressions of Interest received and make a recommendation to the Board. The Board's decision will be final.

## Selection criteria

All Expressions of Interest must address the following selection criteria:

- a) Understanding of communications issues, especially [ACCAN's Strategic Plan](#)
- b) Expert knowledge of *consumer* issues (sectoral or general) and communications technology or communications sociology, as experienced by consumers
- c) Awareness of, or experience in, the community sector
- d) Demonstrated knowledge of research methodology and/or project design
- e) Proven ability to act independently and make impartial assessments
- f) Commitment to good governance principles especially transparency and accountability
- g) Understanding of the diversity of ACCAN's membership base.

## How to submit an Expression of Interest

If you would like to make an Expression of Interest to join ACCAN's Independent Grants Panel please submit your curriculum vitae (CV) and a statement (no longer than 3 pages) addressing the selection criteria to:

[nominations@accan.org.au](mailto:nominations@accan.org.au) by 5pm AEDT on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

## More information

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*ACCAN is committed to reconciliation that acknowledges Australia's past and values the unique culture and heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. [Read our RAP.](#)*

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