

CONTRACT APPROVAL & SIGNING REQUEST

This form must be completed by the contract owner before a Contract or MOU will be signed by a University representative. Please **attach** it to the front of the Contract when submitting it for signature or include it as part of the digital signing process.

Contract owner must complete sections 1-6. Signatory should consider the matters in section 7 before signing.

Completion of this form ensures that:

- the authorised signatory can understand what they are being asked sign;
- the contract owner has undertaken necessary due diligence and risk assessments, has consulted with all relevant Subject Matter Experts and has complied with University policies and procedures; and
- the contract is signed by a person properly authorised under the University delegations.

1. CONTRACT OWNER:							
Your name & title/position:							
School / Organisational area:							
Phone & email:	ph: email:						
Person responsible for ongoing management of this Contract	☐ As above or ☐ [insert name]						
2. CONTRACT DETAILS:							
Document name:							
Other party or parties:							
Contract description and purpose:	- What is the contract for? Why is it required?						
GU's Statutory functions	- How does the contract relate to the <u>statutory functions</u> of the University?						
Duration:	Start date:			Options to extend?			
	Length of term (months / years):						
3. CONTRACT TYPE & VALUE:				- tick all that are relevant			
Type of Contract	Total \$AUD (li	Total \$AUD (life of contract) Exampl		mples			
☐ Expenditure of GU funds	\$	or N/A		purchasing of goods or services, engaging subcontractors, sponsorship \$ out			
☐ Student Placement	\$	or N/A	if p	lacements are paid, disclose per student cost			
☐ In-kind commitment by GU	\$	or N/A	unf	unfunded research collaborations			
☐ Income – research	\$	or N/A	Goi	vernment or private funding for HERDC research			
☐ Income – other	\$	or N/A		nations, sponsorship \$ in, provision of consulting vices by GU, hiring income			
☐ Non-Financial		N/A	МС	DU or NDA with no \$ value			
☐ Variation or extension * also attach original contract	variation amo	unt = \$ cash contribution = \$	\$				

4. DUE DILIGENCE & RISK ASSESSMENT:						
Other party	The other party is suitably experienced, qualified, reputable and credit-worthy					
Foreign arrangements	I have completed the <u>International Engagement Checking Tool</u> ☐ Yes ☐ N/A					
Declaration of interest	I have reviewed the Conflicts of Interest Policy and supporting information and confirm that:					
	☐ I do not have any actual, perceived or potential conflicts of interest to disclose; o	r				
	☐ I have declared all relevant interests as required by the policy.					
Risk Assessment	What are the potential risks to the University in entering into this arrangement? Refer to the Risk Management Handbook for a description of risk categories and examples. How will those risks be mitigated?					
Risk Appetite	☐ I have considered the <u>Risk Appetite Statement</u> and I confirm that the risks of this within the University's Council approved risk appetite	arrangement are				
Legal terms	☐ This contract was drafted or reviewed by Legal Services					
	\square This contract was <u>not</u> reviewed by Legal Services because:					
	$\ \square$ it is a GU template contract and no amendments have been made; or					
	 after referring to the <u>Legal Services website</u>, I determined that a legal review required. 	was not				
Purchasing	☐ I confirm that the contract complies with the <u>Procurement and Supply Policy</u> and	associated				
	guidelines.					
	□ Not applicable					
Other Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)	I have checked the <u>Guidelines</u> and consulted with the SMEs below. What issues (if a ☐ Insurance ☐ Finance (incl. procurement &/or tax) ☐ O					
Policies & Procedures	☐ I confirm that all internal approvals required under the relevant University polici procedures have been obtained in relation to this contract and its associated tra particular policies of importance:					
Any other information						
5. DECLARATIONS BY CONTRACT OWNER:						
☐ By submitting this form, I confirm that I have read and understood the terms of the Contract. I am satisfied that it is in the best interests of the University, except as noted otherwise above. I recommend the Contract for approval and signing.						
☐ I confirm that any proposed Expenditure under the contract is covered by the Group budget.						
APPROVAL BY HEAD OF ELEMENT: If this form is submitted by someone other than Head of Element, then Head of Element must also endorse the contract for signing – either by: Adobe Sign lodgement – include Head of Element as "approver" in the Adobe Sign lodgement trail (ahead of the signer); or						
☐ Manual signature of Hea		ie signer); of				
- manda signature of fled	a of Element note.					

6.	IDENTIFY THE PROPER S	IGNATORY:	- Complete after referring to the <u>Delegations Register</u>				
A.	Classify the contract:	Classify the contract:					
	☐ Special Contract Type of Special Contract:						
	OR	Specialist sub-del	Specialist sub-delegation to:				
	☐ General Contract	Can be signed wit	Can be signed within the organisational area of the contract owner				
В.	B. Are you spending University funds?		□ Yes	* Value of GU Expenditure (total life of contract):			
			□ No	\$			
C.	List any other interested Groups: If the Contract impacts on other elements it must be signed at Band 2B or above and other areas must approve.		☐ I have consulted with the above Groups and they have confirmed that they are happy for the below named sub-delegate to sign.				
D.	Name and Band of sub-delegate*:						
* nc	* nominated sub-delegate must have sufficient budget and financial delegation to approve the Expenditure under the Contract.						
7.	CHECKLIST FOR SIGNATORY - Issues to be considered before signing						
	☐ Am I authorised to sign this?						
	☐ Has someone taken ownership of the contract?						
	Does it make sense? Are the risks acceptable? Does it need a legal review?						
	Have all stakeholders & relevant Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) been consulted?						
	□ Does it impact on other elements? If yes, must be signed at Band 2B or above & other areas must approve.						
	Does my budget and financial delegation cover any expenditure?						

POST-SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS

- Signatory should return contract to the owner of the contract

Contract owner must:

- Ensure that all parties have signed and dated the Contract. A Fact Sheet on Digital Signing is available <u>here</u>.
- Lodge a copy of the fully signed contract is uploaded to the <u>ConvergePoint Contract Register</u>. In addition to acting as a central contract register, ConvergePoint incorporates contract management functions which will allow users to manage contract notifications, renewal/expiry dates and important vendor information and documentation (such as insurance certificates). Instructions on how to upload a signed contract can be found <u>here</u>.
- Monitor performance of the contract. Seek advice from Legal Services or Finance if necessary.
- Watch for renewal dates