

## ABS RESEARCH STEERING COMMITTEE (RSC)

### TERMS OF REFERENCE:

The role of the RSC is to provide guidance to the Executive of ABS to support policy formation in the broad area of research as it affects business and management education. The Committee is to act as a *think tank* and advisory body to the Executive. Its remit is comprehensive in terms of issues, current and emerging. In particular, the RSC will:

- develop and articulate policy on research within ABS's strategic plan
- promote good practice on research in business schools
- encourage and, as appropriate, support ABS members in achieving their research goals
- invite dialogue with policy makers and ABS members, e.g. talks, questionnaires, and engage with requests for information
- to represent and promote the collective interests of ABS members with regards to research with government and other bodies and constituencies as appropriate
- proactively monitor and communicate changes in research policy and performance
- help facilitate an annual one-day workshop on research issues
- contribute to the enhancement of the Development Programme for Directors of Research (DPDOR).

The RSC will also need to respond to and feed into the newly created ABS Policy Subgroup. The remit of the Subgroup is overarching in terms of business school provision and focuses on ABS policy development.

The normal line of communication between RSC and the Executive of ABS will be through the RSC Chair who will present Committee minutes, papers and reports to Executive meetings. The Executive will feedback comments and decisions *via* the RSC Chair.

RSC will meet at least twice a year depending on work load.

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