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National Housing Research Program (NHRP) Funding Round 2018

Thank you to all of our Research Centre members who submitted and/or contributed to applications for the NHRP 2018 round. We are delighted to share news of the successful applications:

- [Investigative Panel on Specialist Disability Accommodation \(SDA\) Funding](#), panel led by Professor Andrew Beer (BUE). Other UniSA researchers: Dr Elizabeth Hemphill (BUE), and Dr Braam Lowies (BUE).
- [Inquiry into an effective homelessness services system - An effective homelessness system for older Australians](#) led by Swinburne University. Researchers from UniSA: Professor Andrew Beer (BUE), Ms Charmaine Thredgold (BUE), Dr Carole Zufferey (EASS), Associate Professor Deidre Tedmanson (EASS) and Dr Tammy Hand (EASS).
- *AHURI PhD Top-up Scholarship*. Recipient: Ms Laura Hodgson (BUE). Thesis title: 'Airbnb and housing: The governance of alternative economic behaviour in Australia's cities and regions'.

Other Grant Funding News

Dr Braam Lowies (UniSA AHURI Research Centre Deputy Director), together with Prof Christine Helliar, Dr Rob Whit, Christa Viljoen (all from BUE) and Prof Kurt Lushington (EASS), secured funding from Financial Literacy Australia to investigate the financial capability of older people in Australia. This includes housing decisions older people make.

Administrative and Management News

Welcome to Kyra Wood who recently completed a PhD in Architecture and has commenced as the administrative and project officer for our Research Centre. Kyra normally works on Wednesdays and is located at City West, Kaurna Building, Level 4. As part of her role, Kyra is developing an industry contacts database is also setting up our website, which should be live early in the new year. She has

commenced organising several events for the Centre in 2018 and she attended the biennial AHURI-organised National Housing Conference in Sydney from 29 November to 1 December, 2017.

Upcoming Events in 2018

- [Industry and Researcher Networking Event](#)
Date: Wednesday 21 March, 5.45pm for 6pm
Venue: Jeffrey Smart Forum (ground floor), City West Campus
- [Symposium for Researchers and PhD Students](#)
Date: Late May, 2018 (date and other details TBA)
- [PhD and ECR bi-monthly lunch meetings](#)
(dates and other details TBA)

Research Centre 2017 initiative

We recently began holding small group meetings focussed on thematic housing research topics. The aim of the meetings is to bring together researchers from EASS and BUE to exchange information about their research in relation to specific themes, to discuss potential topics for research collaboration, and to identify existing and potential industry partners as well as opportunities for internal and external project funding. Meetings will continue in 2018.

AHURI National News

Farewell and thank you to outgoing AHURI Executive Director, Dr Ian Winter, and welcome to Dr Michael Fotheringham as the new Executive Director.

Are you supervising a PhD in an AHURI-related topic? Call for information.

Part of AHURI's aim is to encourage and support the involvement of PhD candidates in AHURI-related topics. We invite supervisors whose PhD student's topic is aligned with AHURI's research interests to advise Kyra Wood. Students within the first year of candidature may be eligible to apply for an AHURI Top-up Scholarship. For more information:

<https://www.ahuri.edu.au/research/capacity-building>