

CITEC in the Community

Supporting community and industry initiatives is part of CITEC's corporate philosophy.



CITEC's Mark Rainbird joined other corporate CEO's to shave their tresses for a good cause

Each year we actively participate in the community by sponsoring organisations and industry research initiatives that align with and deliver our core values, and that meet the objective of enhancing business, the ICT industry or our local community.

Queensland Theatre Company (QTC)

CITEC's sponsorship of the Queensland Theatre Company is now in its eighth year. Our role as the Queensland Theatre Company's information technology partner involves providing hardware and high-level ICT services to help the organisation achieve its business objectives of improved financial management, flexible working conditions and best-for-purpose equipment.

In 2003 CITEC extended its relationship with the Queensland Theatre Company by sponsoring its production of Molière's Scapin.

Young Achievement Australia (YAA)

CITEC is helping young Queenslanders to enhance their business and IT skills through its support for YAA. CITEC is a naming-rights sponsor of various regional awards and awards ceremonies, as well as the State Student Business Person of the Year Award.

Since it was established in 1977, more than 170,000 young Australians have participated in YAA programs, which link education with business to provide young people with skills and knowledge to better equip them for their future working lives.

Women in Technology (WIT)

WIT is a Queensland initiative which aims to sustain an active network of members focused on enhancing women's participation in technology industries. It seeks to achieve this by facilitating career development opportunities and promoting enhanced industry management. Activities coordinated by WIT include mentoring, scholarships and developing members' board readiness. CITEC was a sponsor of WIT for the first half of the 2003/04 financial year.

» Corporate philanthropy

Going Casual for a Cause

CITEC staff raised more than \$6,000 in 2003/04 by participating in themed 'Casual for a Cause' days. These activities benefited a range of organisations and charities including the Abused Child Trust, Guide Dogs Queensland, the Cancer Council of Australia, the IT Fund for Kids, and Surf Life Saving Queensland.

World's Greatest Shave for a Cure Day

In 2004 the World's Greatest Shave for a Cure Day, organised by the Leukaemia Foundation, attracted support from 14 CITEC staff, who shaved or coloured their hair while colleagues and other spectators cheered them on. The day was a huge success, with CITEC contributing more than \$3,000 to support leukaemia research and patient services.

» Industry involvement

BECS Advisory Council

CITEC continued its participation in the Bulk Electronic Clearing System's (BECS) Advisory Council during the year, with our representative Christine Morris re-elected as Chair of the Council for the 2004 term. Advisory Council members provide opinions, advice and information to the BECS Management Committee on matters relating to the bulk electronic clearing system. CITEC has been represented on the BECS Advisory Council since 2002.

Five payment clearing systems operate in Australia and are monitored by the Australian Payments Clearing Association (APCA). APCA is a public company established to provide accountability for key parts of the Australian payments system. Its members include banks, building societies, credit unions and other organisations participating in the Australian payments environment.

Distributed Systems Technology Centre (DSTC)

The DSTC is a joint venture supported by the Australian Government's Cooperative Research Centres Program and 24 participating organisations. It conducts world class research, develops software, and provides training and professional consulting services.

CITEC has been associated with the DSTC as a founding participant since its inception in 1992. During the year up to four CITEC staff worked full-time at DSTC on secondment, while other staff assisted when required. These employees contributed to the successful completion of a range of research projects focusing on topics such as e-services for government, multimedia resource discovery and the semantic web.



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