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DIRECTORS' REPORT

The Australasian Legal Information Institute (AustLII) experienced a very challenging year in 2007. We had difficulties in obtaining sufficient funding to operate our Australian and international free access to law services. Despite this, we made great progress in expanding and improving both types of services.

The immediate source of difficulties was that in 2007, for the first time in eight years, AustLII did not obtain major funding from the Australian Research Council. ARC research infrastructure funding (LIEF) supports development of new facilities and enhancements to existing facilities, and cannot be expected to be available every year. Although AustLII had considerable funding from non-ARC sources, this meant that it was necessary to expand the number of organisations making annual financial contributions to assist its provision of services.

From April 2007 AustLII embarked on a vigorous and public campaign to obtain funding contributions from the many different sectors that make substantial use of its services, or otherwise benefit from those services, but who had not previously been asked to contribute. In some sectors these requests were very effective. By the end of the year, over 210 organisations and individuals contributed nearly one million dollars in funding to support AustLII's Australian services. Over 200 small contributors provided a further \$32,000. As well as providing essential funding, this expression of confidence by AustLII's users indicated the breadth of the support AustLII has across the community. Total cash contributions for AustLII's Australian services were slightly over \$1M, sufficient to ensure that AustLII could continue operations into 2008. As 2007 drew to a close, AustLII researchers also had considerable success in obtaining competitive grant funding for 2008, from the ARC's LIEF and Linkage funds, and from AusAID's PSLP fund. AustLII's financial position in 2008 is therefore sound but longer term issues must still be addressed.

Now that AustLII has a significantly expanded contributor base, the task for 2008 is to convince the majority of these contributors to become recurrent contributors, and to continue to obtain new contributors. Once this is implemented, AustLII will have sustainable long-term funding for its core operations irrespective of the year-to-year variations in the amounts of competitive grant funding available.

During 2007 AustLII's Co-Directors had extensive discussions with potential contributors including the Law Council of Australia, many of the State and Territory legal profession organisations, and representatives of the New South Wales, Commonwealth and other governments. These discussions led to some welcome funding but did not change AustLII's fundamental requirement for sustainability, namely a large and expanding base of contributors. These discussions are continuing but we think it would be unrealistic to expect them to change this situation fundamentally in 2008, though they may well result in additional funding.

Due to its reduced resources in 2007, AustLII was not able to renew some of the contracts of its staff. This resulted in the reduction of its staff by more than one third, from 10 to 6.5. AustLII operated at this minimum level of staffing for most of 2007. By concentrating on AustLII's most important databases, our staff were able to maintain the quality of most of AustLII's services, and develop some important new resources. We wish to express our thanks to them for their work under difficult circumstances. We anticipate that at least four extra positions will be filled in 2008 as budgeted, and AustLII will continue to develop and enhance its services.

Andrew Mowbray, Graham Greenleaf, Philip Chung (Co-Directors)

CONSTITUTION AND PERSONNEL

CONSTITUTION

AustLII was formed in 1995 as a joint facility operated by the Faculties of Law at the University of Technology, Sydney (UTS) and the University of New South Wales (UNSW), in order to carry out an Australian Research Council Infrastructure ('Mechanism C') Grant. AustLII's goals are set out in its Mission Statement, reproduced in the following section. The cooperation between UTS and UNSW is embodied in a brief Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). AustLII continues to operate through such informal cooperation between the two Law Faculties to the date of this report, with governance through its Management Committee.

During 2007 a number of potential external contributors to AustLII indicated that they would be more likely to contribute funding if AustLII was structured as a non-profit company with charitable objectives. There is a perception that greater transparency can be achieved through company accounting than through University accounting conventions. Research activities would of necessity remain within University structures. UTS and UNSW considered this worth exploring, and consequently advice was sought on issues concerning aspects of non-profit status and incorporation. This advice was expected to be received in early 2008.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Prior to 2007, AustLII's Management Committee comprised the three Co-Directors, the Deans of UTS and UNSW Law Faculties, and the Faculty Managers of each Faculty. Following discussions with AustLII's existing and potential contributors in mid-2007, the Co-Directors recommended to the Management Committee that it be expanded to include members from outside the two Universities, so as to increase the transparency of AustLII's operations to external contributors. The Management Committee was accordingly expanded from seven to eleven members (as below). Because of the ongoing discussions concerning the possibility that AustLII would be restructured into a company with charitable objectives, and a research institute, this Management Committee was also considered to be the Interim Board of the proposed company, so as to have a body which could advise on the steps involved in the restructuring.

Members of the Management Committee / Interim Board as at 31 December 2007 were:

- **Mr Tim Bugg** (immediate past president of the Law Council of Australia)
- **Mr Philip Chung** (Lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of Technology, Sydney; Visiting Fellow, University of New South Wales; Executive Director, AustLII)
- **Prof David Dixon** (Dean, Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales)
- **Dr Jeff Fitzgerald** (former Registrar of the University of Technology, Sydney; former Deputy-Secretary of the Victorian Attorney-General's Department)
- **Mr Ian Govey** (Deputy-Secretary of the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department) (provisional member of the Committee, pending confirmation)
- **Prof Graham Greenleaf** (Professor, Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales; Co-Director, AustLII)
- **Mr George Marsh** (Faculty Manager, Faculty of Law, University of Technology, Sydney)
- **Prof Jill McKeough** (Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Technology, Sydney)

- **Prof Andrew Mowbray** (Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Technology, Sydney; Co-Director, AustLII)
- **Ms Julie Romanowski** (Faculty General Manager, University of New South Wales)
- [One position is vacant pending an appointment]

The new Management Committee / Interim Board met in December 2007. Mr Blair McRae (Commercial Director, University of Technology, Sydney) attended that meeting as an observer, to provide financial advice to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) (UTS). A corresponding UNSW observer advising the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) (UNSW) is expected to attend in 2008.

CO-DIRECTORS AND STAFF

There is one Co-Director from each of UTS and UNSW, and one Executive Director, who jointly plan, direct and oversee AustLII's operations. For details of the responsibilities of personnel, see AustLII Personnel at <<http://www.austlii.edu.au/austlii/personnel.html>>.

CO-DIRECTORS

- Prof Andrew Mowbray (Co-Director, UTS)
- Prof Graham Greenleaf (Co-Director, UNSW)
- Mr Philip Chung (Executive Director)

CONTINUING STAFF AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2007

- Mr Kieran Hackshall (Systems Developer)
- Mr Jones Olatunji (Systems Administrator)
- Ms Cathy Quigley (Administrative Officer)
- Mr Trevor Roydhouse (Systems Developer)
- Mr Wai Kaey Soon (Project Officer (0.5 Part Time))
- Mr David Vaile (External Relations Officer (0.1 Part Time))
- Mr Armin Wittfoth (Project Officer)

DEPARTING STAFF DURING 2007

- Mr David Bramston (Project Officer) to 9 March 2007
- Ms Madeleine Davis (Project Officer) to 13 April 2007
- Mr Takao Hasuike (Project Officer) to 13 April 2007
- Mr Matthew Lee (Project Officer (0.6 Part Time)) to 16 August 2007
- Ms Jill Matthews (Project Officer (0.1 Part Time)) to 31 December 2007

We wish to thank all our departing staff for their dedicated and effective contributions.

AUSTLII'S MISSION STATEMENT

[AustLII's Mission Statement as at December 2007 is below. It was last amended in 2000.]

MISSION STATEMENT

AustLII's mission is to be a centre of excellence in the computerisation of legal information through research, operation of public access facilities, and teaching, thus advancing the public interest in free access to public legal information within Australia and internationally.

By pursuing its mission, AustLII advances the missions of each of our Law Faculties to be recognised as national leaders in legal education and research, to contribute to broader community objectives, and to obtain recognition as Law Faculties of international standing with a major commitment to and engagement in the legal affairs of the region.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

1. Research and development

- 1.1. Conduct international standard research in the core technologies for computerisation of legal information (including text retrieval, hypertext and inferencing), and in the development of standards necessary to make such technologies operational.
- 1.2. Develop AustLII's own tools for computerisation of law, so as to maintain AustLII's public access facilities as innovative and leading-edge examples of computerisation of law.

2. Public policy

- 2.1. Through our advocacy and example, achieve and defend free public access via the Internet to essential legal information in Australia.
- 2.2. Through our example and our assistance in making available our expertise and software, assist others internationally to achieve free public access via the Internet to essential legal information.

3. Public access law facilities

- 3.1. To build cost-effective public facilities for access to law by maximising the automated conversion of legal information and minimising the necessity for hand editing.
- 3.2. Through open standards, and through tools we provide, enable others to build value-added legal services which utilise data on AustLII.
- 3.3. Provide on AustLII a collection of the most important databases of Australian essential legal information (legislation, case law, treaties, law reform reports and others of like importance).
- 3.4. Provide on AustLII other legal databases of strategic importance in advancing the public interest, and those which advance our research activities.
- 3.5. Provide on AustLII the most effective access mechanisms to all Australian law on the internet.
- 3.6. Provide on AustLII the most effective global access mechanisms to important legal information world-wide.
- 3.7. Provide on AustLII strategic collections of Asia-Pacific legal materials, and other international legal materials, where these contribute to AustLII's other objectives and tasks.

- 3.8. In all our public access facilities, to achieve a high level of user satisfaction through powerful and transparent software and data structures, and effective methods of user feedback.

4. Teaching and training

- 4.1. Through our knowledge acquired by research and operation of public access facilities, provide international standard teaching of both computerised legal research and the techniques of computerisation of law.
- 4.2. Provide high quality training materials for all users of AustLII facilities.
- 4.3. Provide leadership and expertise in the development of online training materials through our knowledge of computerised legal information.

5. Operational

- 5.1. Advance the missions of our host Law Faculties by pursuit of consistent goals.
- 5.2. Provide a stimulating and satisfying long-term work environment for AustLII staff.
- 5.3. Place AustLII's funding on a sufficient and sustainable basis to enable these objectives to be carried out, by diversification of sources of 'stakeholder' funding from organisations representing providers of data to AustLII or classes of AustLII users; by providing ways for individual and corporate users of AustLII to make voluntary contributions to AustLII funding; to contribute by maximising the value that stakeholders and their constituencies, and individual contributors, receive from their contribution to AustLII; by accepting appropriate sponsorship of resources on AustLII; and by entering into strategic relationships with commercial providers of legal information that are consistent with AustLII's objectives.
- 5.4. Maintain free access to AustLII's facilities with no access charges to end-users; and by maintaining user privacy and freedom from manipulation.
- 5.5. Cooperate with other providers of public legal information, in Australia and internationally, to maximise the public benefit obtained by use of scarce public resources.

AUSTRALIAN DEVELOPMENTS 2007

Despite the financial difficulties of 2007, AustLII made considerable progress during 2007 in expanding and improving its Australian services on the AustLII website <<http://www.austlii.edu.au>>, and continuing its research in legal information systems.

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268 databases from all Australasian jurisdictions

News & Database Additions

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- [Employment and Research Opportunities at AustLII for 2008](#) - Expressions of interest sought
- [Law via the Internet Conference 2008](#), Florence, 30-31 October 2008
- [High Court Bulletin Number 4](#) (5 May 2008)
- [Alinta LGA Limited \(Formerly The Australian Gas Light Company\) v Mine Subsidence Board \[2008\] HCA 17](#) (24 April 2008)
- [HML v The Queen; SB v The Queen; OAE v The Queen \[2008\] HCA 16](#) (24 April 2008)
- [Adams v The Queen \[2008\] HCA 15](#) (23 April 2008)
- [O'Donoghue v Ireland; Zental v Republic of Hungary; Williams v United States of America \[2008\] HCA 14](#) (23 April 2008)
- AustLII welcomes the [Television Education Network Pty Ltd](#) and [Mercer \(Australia\) Pty Ltd](#) as new contributors (22 April 2008)
- The AustLII Toolbar for the [Microsoft Internet Explorer](#) and [Mozilla Firefox](#) and [SeaMonkey Suite](#) web browsers updated (9 April 2008)
- [Northern Territory Numbered Regulations 2004-](#)
- [Northern Territory Numbered Acts 2005-](#)
- [Australian Taxation Law Library](#)
- [Victorian Numbered Regulations 2004-](#)
- [Physiotherapists Tribunal of New South Wales Decisions 2007-](#)
- [Psychologists Tribunal of New South Wales Decisions 2007-](#)
- [Victorian Numbered Acts 2004-](#)
- [High Court of Australia Special Leave Dispositions 2008-](#)
- [Western Australian Repealed Regulations](#)
- [Western Australian Repealed Acts](#)

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- [Australian & New Zealand Maritime Law Journal](#)
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- [Tasmania](#)
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- [Western Australia](#)

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Libraries

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Research Projects

- [Australian Legal Scholarship Library](#)
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Special Features & Tools

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- [AustLII Toolbar](#)
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AustLII participates in the [free access to law](#) movement, a grouping of the following organisations:

AsianLII, AustLII, CanLII, CommonLII, CYLAW, DROIT (francophonie), itig, JuriBurkina, LII (Legal Information Institute), NZLII, SAFLII, WorldLII, GLIN, JuriNiger, eKIR, The LAWPHIL Project

Figure 1. AustLII Homepage as at May 2008

NEW DATABASES ON AUSTLII

By the end of 2007 AustLII provided 256 databases from all Australasian jurisdictions, an increase of 25 in 2007 (one new database every two weeks). A priority in 2007 was the expansion of databases of explanatory materials for legislation (Explanatory Memoranda, Bills etc) and annual legislation ('Acts as Made', 'Numbered Regulations' etc). New case law and law journal databases were also added.

The new databases were: Commonwealth Bills 1996-; Commonwealth Bills Explanatory Memoranda 1996-; Commonwealth Numbered Regulations Explanatory Statements 1991-2004; District Court of Western Australia Decisions 1999-; Tasmanian Bills 2002-; Queensland Bills 1999-; Queensland Bills Explanatory Notes 1999-; University of Western Sydney Law Review (UWSLRev) 2001-; Licensing Court of South Australia 1997-; University of New South Wales Faculty of Law Research Series (UNSWLRS) 2007-; Western Australian Bills 1998-; Western Australian Bills Explanatory Memoranda 1999-; Bond Law Review (BondLRev) 1998-; Bond Dispute Resolution Newsletter (BondDRN) 1999-; Corporate Governance eJournal (BondCGeJ) 2005-; Australian & New Zealand Maritime Law Journal (ANZMLJ) 1983-; Victorian Bills 1999-; Victorian Bills Explanatory Memoranda 2001-; South Australia Numbered Acts 2003-; South Australia Numbered Regulations 2003-; NSW Bills 1999-; NSW Bills Explanatory Notes 1999-; Legislation of the Anglican Church in Victoria; and University of Queensland Law Journal 2005-. Details may be found at <<http://www.austlii.edu.au/austlii/recent.html>>.

UPDATING PRIORITIES

Due to the reduced staff numbers at AustLII from mid-year 2007, it was not possible to update all databases at the desired rate previously achieved. The priority for updating was therefore the legislation databases (particularly those from the largest jurisdictions), Australian treaty databases, and case law. The updating priority was first from those Courts that provide funding assistance to AustLII (which includes most Federal Courts and Tribunals) and then to other important Courts such as State Supreme Courts. AustLII's usual high level of currency was maintained with these databases. Users can check at any time the 'Update Status' of all legislation or case law databases for a jurisdiction through special pages on AustLII providing that information.

The Law Reform Library now includes comprehensive databases of reports for every permanent law reform body in Australia. The Law Journals Library provides full text databases of 50 Australasian law journals. AustLII's funding difficulties meant that most of these databases were unable to be updated from mid-year (except for those providing funding assistance to AustLII), pending availability of further funds. The ARC LIEF grant for the 'Australian Legal Scholarship Library' received by AustLII for 2008 will ensure that the law journals on AustLII are brought up-to-date during 2008 and their coverage expanded.

USAGE STATISTICS (AUSTRALIAN DATABASES)

The following figures and charts summarise AustLII's usage statistics for the 2007 calendar year.

Table 1. AustLII Australian Databases Usage and Data Transferred (2007)

	Total	Average per day
Successful requests (or hits)	227,257,513	622,624
Data transferred	5.55 terabytes	15.57 gigabytes

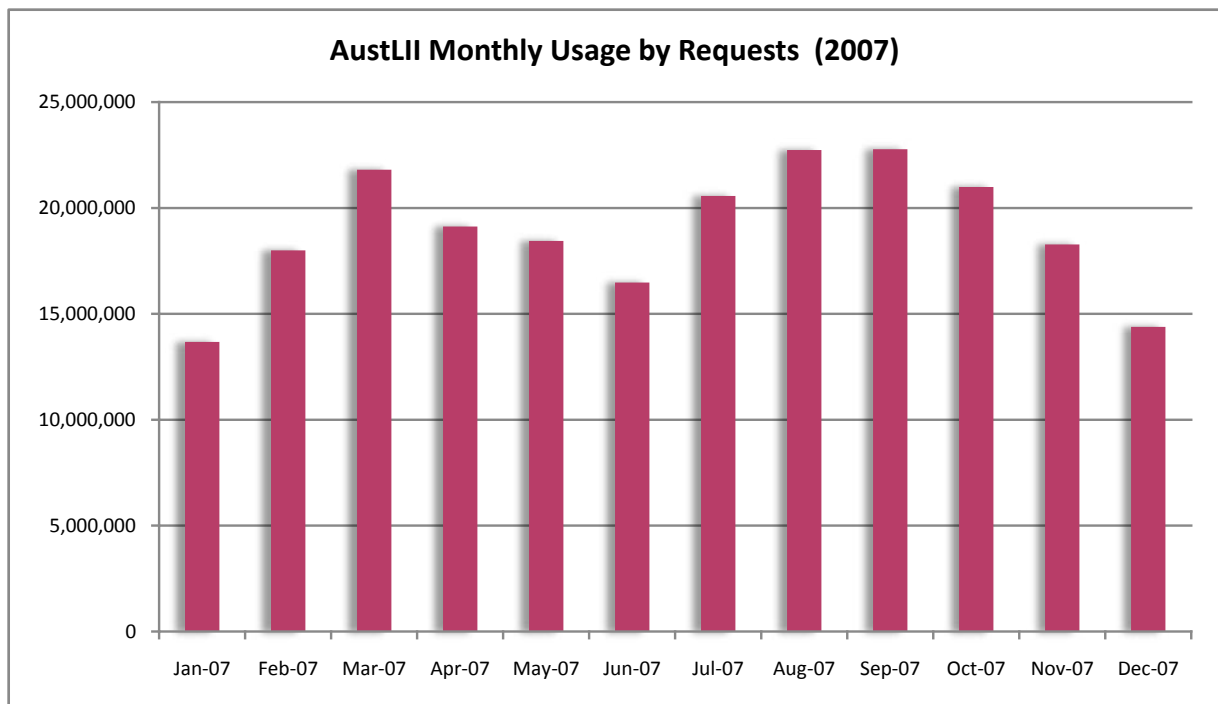


Figure 2. AustLII Australian Databases Monthly Usage (2007)

The busiest month was August 2007 with over 22 million requests. The figures reported here are those found in AustLII's access logs and do not include requests to ISP or local caches. This means that actual usage is considerably higher.

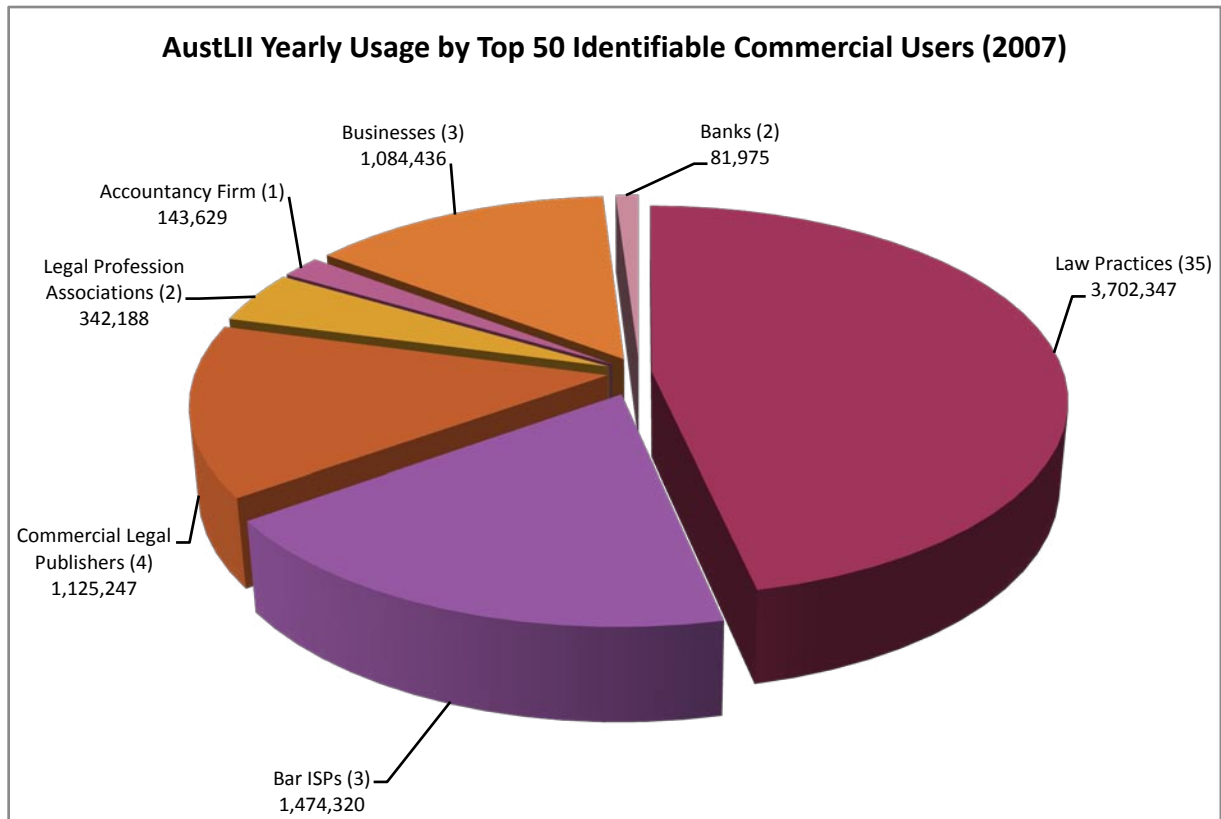


Figure 3. AustLII Yearly Usage by Top 50 identifiable commercial users (2007)

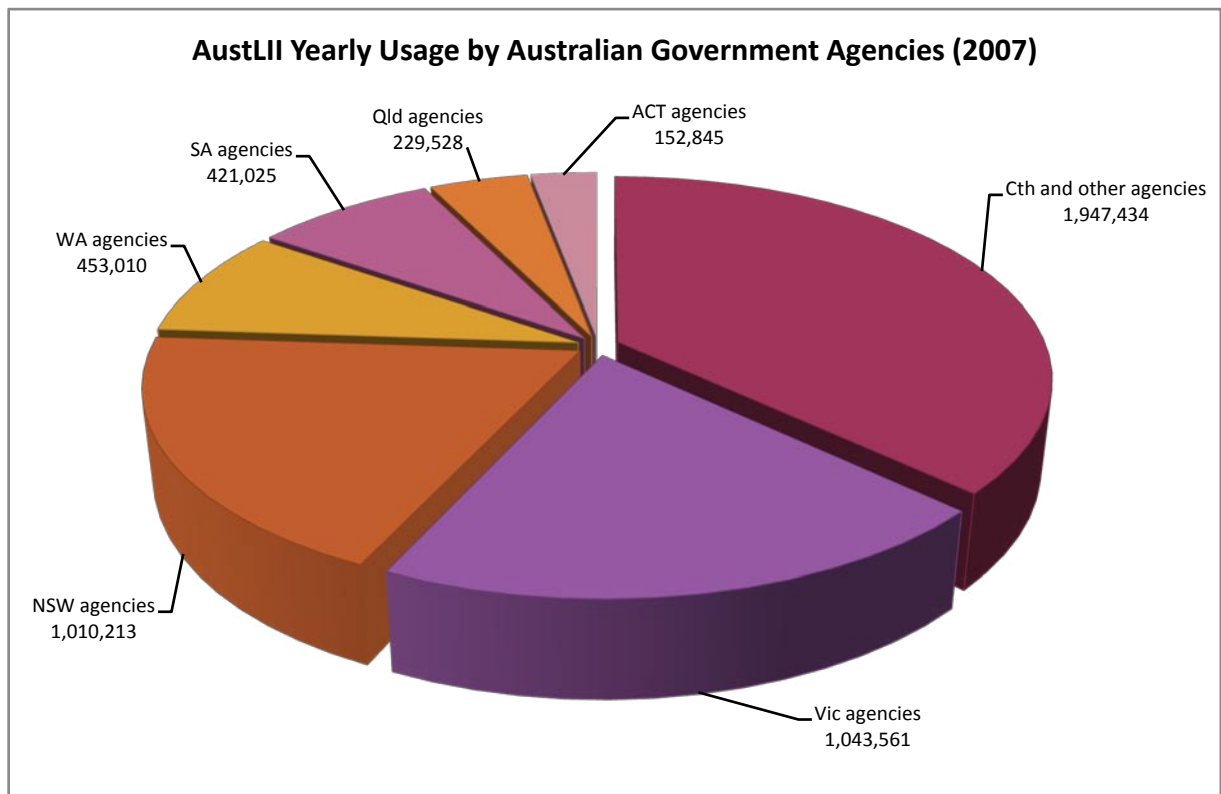


Figure 4. AustLII Yearly Usage by Government Agencies (2007)

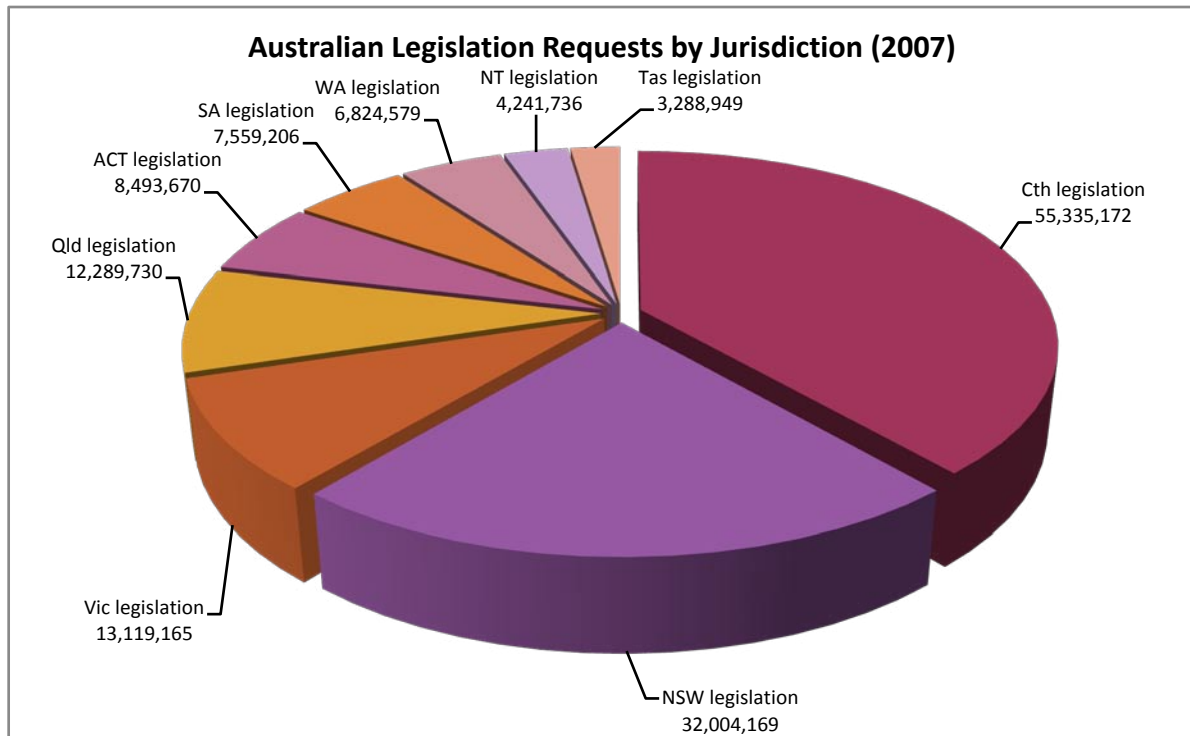


Figure 5. Australian Legislation Requests by Jurisdiction (2007)

Legislation requests include accesses by search engine web spiders and are at section level.

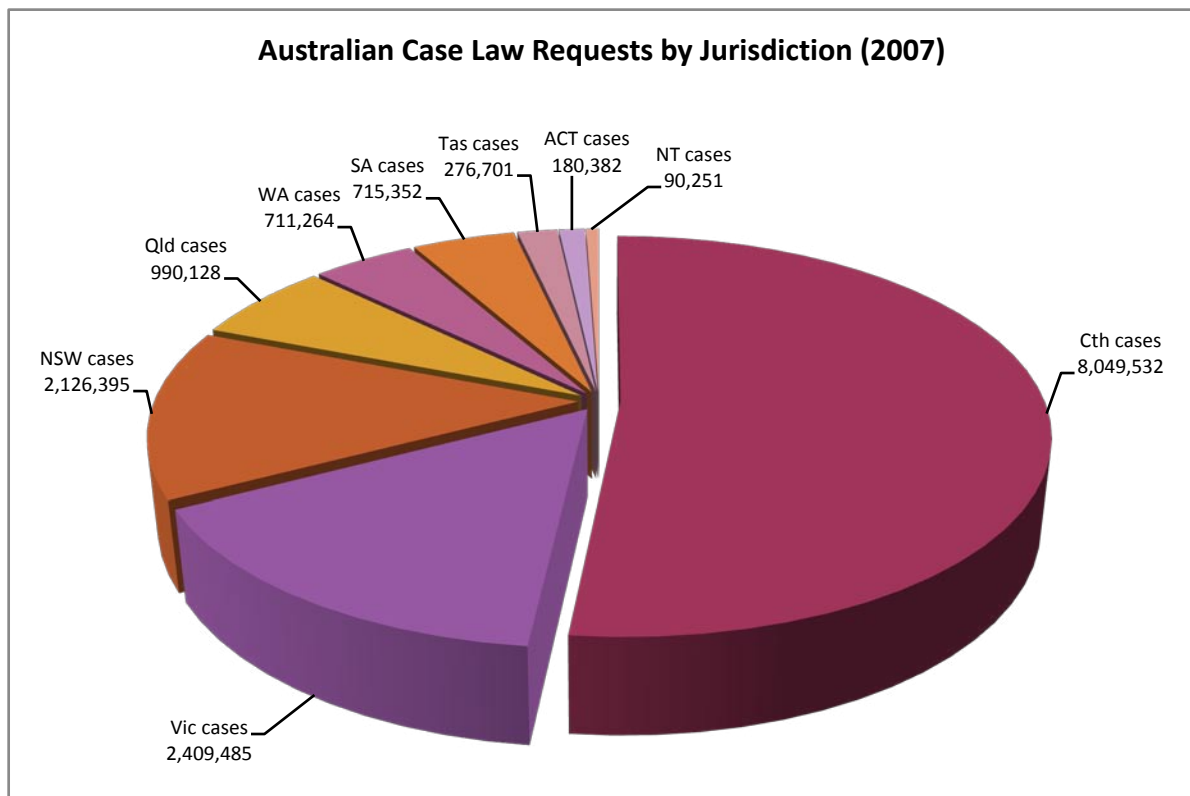


Figure 6. Australian Case Law Requests by Jurisdiction (2007)

Case law requests do not include accesses by search engine web spiders which AustLII excludes from access.

SINO SEARCH ENGINE AND AUSTLII USER INTERFACE

AustLII's search engine and the AustLII user interface have both undergone significant re-development. The Sino search engine was comprehensively rewritten by Co-Director Prof A Mowbray, and has been made open source. It is faster, more comprehensive in searching, and better able to support the new results interface.

Sino now includes better common word handling and will treat common words as being common in phrases. This speeds up searches where users routinely put all phrases in quotes. The search indexes created by Sino are now more regularly re-indexed. All documents are re-indexed at least every 24 hours and some indexes are updated as often as every hour.

AustLII's improved user interface involved major improvements to the presentation of search results, providing ranking of results by date and by database, as well as by relevance, and the ability to compress all results obtained from a single piece of legislation.

Searches are now checked for spelling and where appropriate an alternative ("Did you mean?") search is suggested. The system makes use of the live search index to suggest alternative search terms based on how close search terms are to indexed words and how often the word occurs. An improved search context program is now used for showing where search terms appear in results. The new program better handles phrases and search terms appearing as part of linked text. It is also possible to turn context off via the new [No context] button.

RESEARCH FOR NEW SERVICES

Research has continued on a number of projects. With assistance from UNSW RIBG funding, AustLII is developing **subject-oriented 'Libraries'** which make searchable in one location all of the content on AustLII relevant to a particular subject, using a number of 'virtual database' techniques. Considerable progress on the techniques for building such Libraries was made during 2007, with new Libraries scheduled to be launched in early 2008 on Australian Taxation Law, International and Humanitarian Law, and Australian Indigenous Law (with funding assistance from the Australian Attorney-General).

AustLII is developing **inCite**, which provides citation information about all significant cases cited in Australian courts and substantially increases the linking of case references where cases are held by AustLII, no matter how cited. This research is now funded by an ARC Linkage grant for 2008-10.

Development work on both projects was demonstrated at the 8th Law via Internet Conference, Montreal, October 2007. Details of these and other research projects are on the Research Projects page at <<http://www.austlii.edu.au/austlii/research/>>.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS 2007

AustLII operates three multi-country Legal Information Institutes: AsianLII, CommonLII and WorldLII, and jointly operates NZLII.



AsianLII



CommonLII



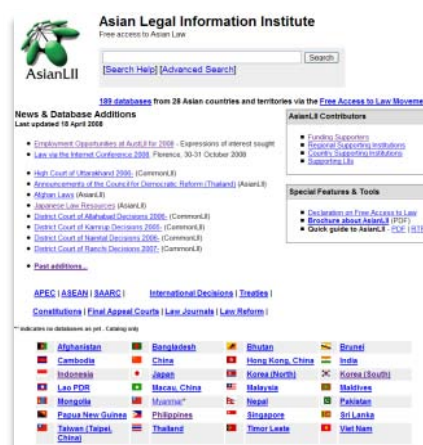
NZLII



WorldLII

ASIANLII (ASIAN LEGAL INFORMATION INSTITUTE)

The Asian Legal Information Institute (AsianLII - <<http://www.asianlii.org>>) was launched by AustLII in December 2006, having initially been developed with ARC LIEF funding. It has subsequently been funded by both AusAID's PSLP (Public Sector Linkages Program) and by the Australian Attorney-General's Department. At its launch AsianLII included 100 databases. During 2007 a further 66 databases from Asian countries were added (those from Commonwealth countries in Asia are shared with AsianLII). As part of the PSLP project, the Directors made capacity-building visits to Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Laos, Cambodia and China, to work with local public sector organisations involved in free access to legal information. AsianLII has over 20 'Country Supporting Institutions' and 'Regional Supporting Institutions' who have agreed to assist it in the development of AsianLII, as listed at <<http://www.asianlii.org/asianlii/sponsors/>>.



During 2007 launches of AsianLII were held in both the Philippines and in Japan, involving joint launches by the Australian Ambassador or Chargé d'Affaires in both cases. The Co-Directors made presentations on AsianLII to the *Asian Law Institute Conference* in Jakarta (May 2007), to the *Conference of Chief Justices of Asia and the Pacific* in Hong Kong (June 2007), and as a public lecture to the Indian Law Institute in New Delhi (December 2007). They published two papers on AsianLII, 'Challenges in Improving Access to Asian Laws: the Asian Legal Information Institute (AsianLII)', and 'Free Access to Japanese and Asian Law – The Launch of AsianLII in Japan' (see Publications). AusAID PSLP funding for 2008 was confirmed during 2007, and discussions commenced with two additional funding bodies.

COMMONLII (COMMONWEALTH LEGAL INFORMATION INSTITUTE)

The Commonwealth Legal Information Institute (CommonLII - <<http://www.commonlii.org>>) has had further development since its launch in October 2005, when it was developed with ARC LIEF funding. It now provides access to databases from every Commonwealth country and some territories, comprising 562 databases from 59 Commonwealth and common law countries and territories. Most of these databases are provided by other LIIs in the Free Access to Law Movement (namely AustLII, BAILII,



CanLII, Cylaw, HKLII, PacLII, and SAFLII), but there are about 40 databases provided by CommonLII that are not found on other LIIs (mainly from the Caribbean, West Africa and Europe, and from some Commonwealth institutions).

Major developments in 2007 have been the utilisation of the re-developed Sino search engine and new results interface, as developed for AustLII, and the addition of a large number of databases from Commonwealth countries in Asia, the use of which is shared with AsianLII. SAFLII has taken over development of most South and East African databases. AustLII and BAILII discussed cooperation in the maintenance/expansion of databases from Commonwealth countries that do not yet have their own national/regional LIIs.

As of 2007, CommonLII now has limited funding, primarily from the Australian Attorney-General's Department, for inclusion of content from Commonwealth countries in Asia. The Commonwealth Secretariat's Legal and Constitutional Division has proposed the development of a research facility on CommonLII concerning criminal law, and was at the end of 2007 seeking funds for the project.

A paper on CommonLII was presented by Co-Director Prof G Greenleaf at the Commonwealth Senior Law Officers Meeting in London, September 2007, 'Building a commons for the common law - The Commonwealth Legal Information Institute (CommonLII) after two years progress' (see Publications).

WORLDLII (WORLD LEGAL INFORMATION INSTITUTE)

The World Legal Information Institute (WorldLII) <<http://www.worldlii.org>>, the shared portal for all members of the Free Access to Law Movement, provided access, by the end of 2007, to 865 databases from 123 countries and territories. Almost of the databases are provided by other LIIs in the Free Access to Law Movement, the most significant exception being 20 databases of decisions by International Courts and Tribunals (ICTs). Developments in 2007 concerning WorldLII's content included the inclusion of over 100 databases from AsianLII, not previously included on other LIIs; the inclusion of 41 databases from the Global Legal Information Network (GLIN), half of which provide full text legislation, and most are from countries not previously included, particularly from Latin America the inclusion of many new African databases from SAFLII during 2007; and inclusion of databases from other LIIs as they continue to expand their coverage.

During 2007 the WorldLII interface was re-designed so that every country/territory now has a separate home page, providing access to databases, WorldLII catalog and 'Law on Google' for that country/territory. WorldLII also now uses the improved Sino search engine and results interface developed originally on AustLII, enabling users to display results of comparative law research in much more sophisticated ways.

Previous substantial ARC funding for WorldLII ceased in mid-2007 with the 2006 LIEF grant. Since then development of part of the International Courts and Tribunals Project has been funded by the UNSW RIBG grant for 2007, but some ICT databases have not been able to be updated. Interface and other aspects of WorldLII have been maintained by the Co-Directors as



part of their research. Two large funding applications concerning WorldLII are proposed for 2008.

The Co-Directors published a detailed article on the development of WorldLII 'Emerging Global Networks for Free Access to Law: WorldLII's Strategies 2002-05', and an article on the research outcomes from an ARC eResearch grant concerning technical aspects of the networking of LIIs, '[Improving stability and performance of an international network of free access legal information systems](#)' (see Publications).

NZLII (NEW ZEALAND LEGAL INFORMATION INSTITUTE)

AustLII also operates the New Zealand Legal Information Institute (NZLII - <http://www.nzlii.org>) in cooperation with its New Zealand partner, Otago Faculty of Law until NZLII's migration to complete local control in New Zealand is complete. During 2007 funding assistance was provided to AustLII by the New Zealand Law Foundation to assist this process, and the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) also offered funding for the provision of New Zealand treaties. By the end of 2007 NZLII included 12 New Zealand Courts and Tribunals, four law journals and New Zealand Law Commission publications.



INTERNATIONAL LINKS, AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

AustLII is a founding member and leader of the Free Access to Law Movement now comprising 23 free access legal information providers from around the world. The Co-Directors attended the annual meeting of Legal Information Institutes (the Free Access to Law Movement), and presented a number of papers at the *8th Law via the Internet Conference* in Montreal, Canada, October 2007. The Conference dinner was held in honour of AustLII for its contribution to free access to law over the last decade.

Co-Director Graham Greenleaf was awarded the 2007 Dieter Meurer Prize for Legal Informatics, at the annual *Conference of the German Society for Computing and the Judiciary*, University of Saarland, Saarbuecken, Germany in September 2007.

USAGE STATISTICS (INTERNATIONAL DATABASES)

The following figures and charts summarise usage statistics for AustLII's international (ie non-Australian) databases (located on AsianLII, CommonLII, NZLII and WorldLII) for the 2007 calendar year.

Table 2. International Databases Usage and Data Transferred (2007)

	Total	Average per day
Successful requests (or hits)	20,796,142	56,975
Data transferred	488.13 gigabytes	1.34 gigabytes

About 25% of these accesses are to the WorldLII Catalog, an index of law-related websites from every country in the world. The following chart shows the top 10 most requested categories of databases grouped by country. We have also included European regional databases (European DBs) and databases from other International Courts and Tribunals (Int Crts DBs).

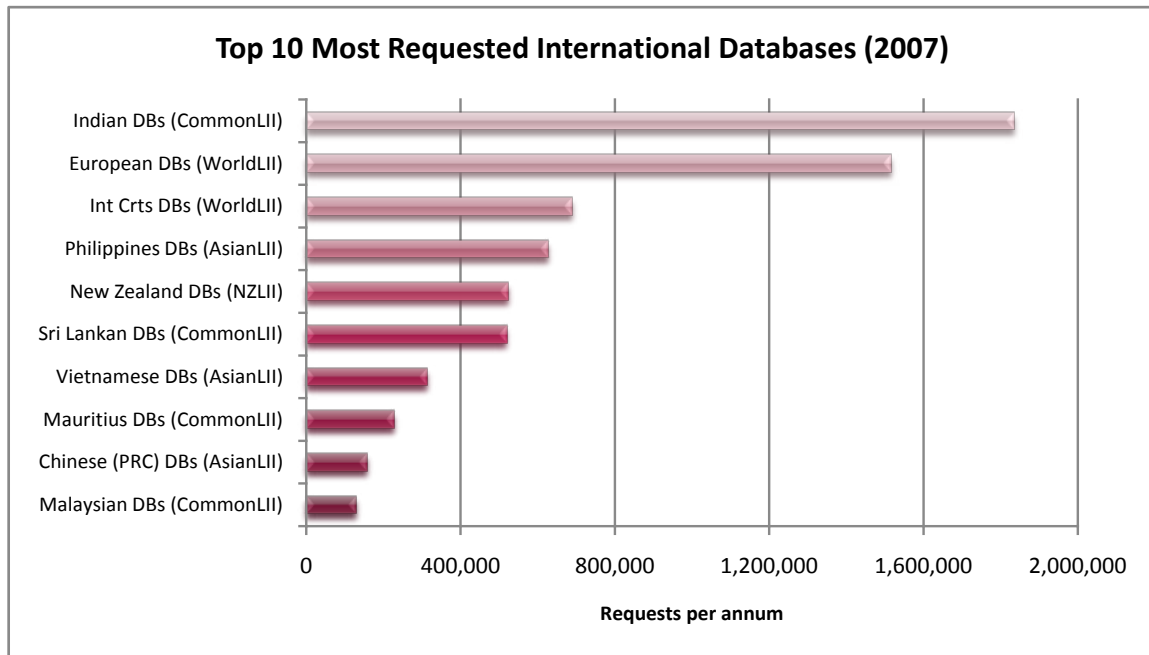


Figure 7. Top 10 Most Requested International Databases (2007)

Australian users lead in the usage of AustLII’s International Databases with 638,536 requests in 2007. The following chart shows the next top 10 countries (more specifically, by domain name) in the usage of AustLII’s International Databases. However, for about 40% of all usage of International Databases, the user’s location is not identifiable.

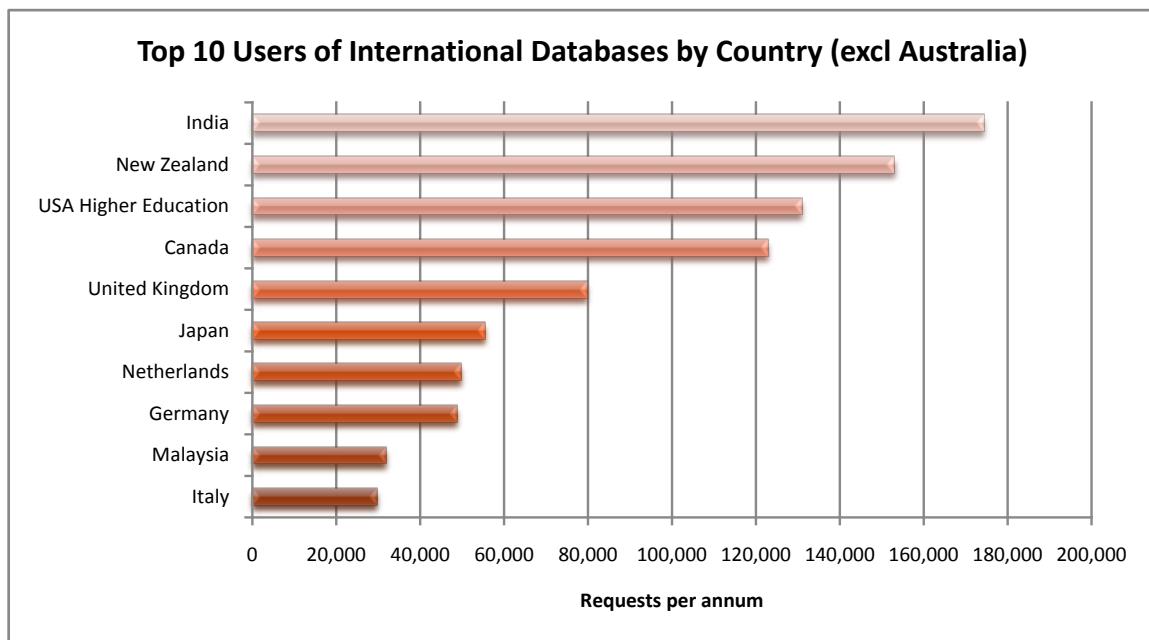


Figure 8. Top 10 Users of International Databases by Country (excl Australia) (2007)

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS 2007

AustLII's various Australian and international research projects are discussed in the two preceding sections of this report, and details of individual research projects may be found on the Research Projects page <<http://www.austlii.edu.au/austlii/research/>>.

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FUNDING 2007 AND 2008

COMPETITIVE GRANT FUNDING 2007

During 2007 AustLII had available to it for its Australian service far less funding from competitive grants than at any time in the past seven years. Some of the grants below overlap the 2006 calendar year.

- Research Infrastructure Block Grant (RIBG) funding under the UNSW Major Equipment and Infrastructure Bids Scheme for the creation of new legal research facilities and subject-specific online libraries (2007) – \$75,000
- AusAID's Public Sector Linkages Program (PSLP) grant for Year 1 of the development of free access to the law of Asian developing economies via the Asian Legal Information Institute (AsianLII) (2006-2007) – \$201,000
- Commonwealth Attorney-General's Grants to Australian Organisations Program (GAOP) funding to continue the development of the Asian Legal Information Institute (AsianLII) and the Commonwealth Legal Information Institute (CommonLII) (2006-2007) – \$30,000
- Australian Research Council – two amounts of \$10,000 from two larger ARC projects (privacy law and intellectual property law) based at UNSW, to build databases on AustLII relevant to those projects – \$20,000

A significant amount of AustLII's expenditure in 2007 comprised funds carried forward from AustLII's 2006 ARC LIEF grant.

GRANTS OBTAINED FOR 2008 PROJECTS

By close of 2007, AustLII had obtained the following competitive grants to assist the funding of its work in 2008 (some grants overlap the 2007 calendar year), providing considerably more grant funding than in 2007.

- Australian Research Council LIEF grant for the creation of the Australian Legal Scholarship Library (2008) – ARC Contribution: \$169,776; Partner Contributions: \$315,000
- Australian Research Council Linkage grant to improve online case law within the constraints of free access through heuristic linking (a three year grant 2008-2010) – in 2008, ARC Contribution: \$111,430; Partner Contributions: \$57,000
- AusAID's Public Sector Linkages Program (PSLP) grant for Year 2 of the development of free access to the law of Asian developing economies via the Asian Legal Information Institute (AsianLII) (2007-2008) – \$275,000
- Commonwealth Attorney-General's Grants to Australian Organisations Program (GAOP) funding to continue the development of the Asian Legal Information Institute (AsianLII) and the Commonwealth Legal Information Institute (CommonLII) (2007-2008) – \$50,000

AUSTRALIAN CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR 2007

In 2007 AustLII made strenuous efforts to obtain funding contributions from the many different sectors that make substantial use of AustLII's services, or otherwise benefit from those services, but who had not previously been asked to contribute. A 'Contribute' form was added to AustLII's front page above the lists of all contributors, including classifications of contributors by sector (Host Institutions; Business & Industry; Community & Non-profits; Courts and Tribunals; Government Agencies; Individuals; International; Legal Profession; and Universities & Academic), and by Australian jurisdictions.

In some sectors these requests were very effective. By the end of 2007, over 210 organisations and individuals contributed nearly one million dollars in funding to support AustLII's Australian services. These included 22 universities and academic institutions, 11 Government agencies, 23 Courts and Tribunals, 21 organisations from business and industry, 143 organisations and individuals from the legal profession, three Law Students' Associations, and two community and non-profit organisations. Over 200 small contributors provided a further \$32,000. Additional grants and contributions were received for the international services. All contributors are listed below, and further details (including links to contributors' websites) are available at <<http://www.austlii.edu.au/austlii/sponsors/>>.

The sectors from which the largest contributions were received were Australian Law Schools; Commonwealth Courts, Tribunals and Agencies; individual lawyers, and their firms, floors and lists across Australia; and lawyers' professional associations. Some funding has been received from individual State and Territory Courts, Tribunals and Agencies, but AustLII has not had success in obtaining 'whole of government' funding in any jurisdiction. Nor does it seem likely that any 'per head' funding will be received from the legal profession. A full analysis of Funding Sources by Type is at <http://www.austlii.edu.au/cgi-bin/sponsors_type.cgi>.

The following table lists the Top 50 identifiable commercial users of the AustLII system indicating the number of requests made as well as whether the particular user provided a financial contribution to AustLII in 2007. The term 'Law Practice' includes law firms and groupings of barristers.

Table 3. Top 50 Identifiable Commercial AustLII Users by Requests (2007)

	Organisation	Requests	Contributed
1	Bar ISP 1	722,448	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	Bar ISP 2	707,466	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3	Commercial Legal Publisher 1	663,432	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Legal Profession Association 1	441,138	
5	Commercial Legal Publisher 2	390,127	
6	Law Practice 1	364,019	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	Law Practice 2	340,854	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	Commercial Legal Publisher 3	241,536	
9	Bar ISP 3	164,361	
10	Accountancy Firm 1	143,629	
11	Law Practice 3	115,790	
12	Commercial Legal Publisher 4	100,652	
13	Law Practice 4	84,143	
14	Law Practice 5	77,928	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15	Law Practice 6	75,000	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16	Law Practice 7	73,745	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
17	Bank 1	66,914	
18	Law Practice 8	63,093	
19	Law Practice 9	62,871	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
20	Law Practice 10	60,612	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
21	Law Practice 11	54,524	

	Organisation	Requests	Contributed
22	Law Practice 12	54,305	
23	Law Practice 13	49,643	
24	Law Practice 14	44,868	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
25	Bank 2	44,406	
26	Law Practice 15	44,323	
27	Law Practice 16	42,789	
28	Law Practice 17	42,593	
29	Law Practice 18	41,624	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
30	Law Practice 19	41,177	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
31	Business 1	41,164	
32	Business 2	40,811	
33	Law Practice 20	40,004	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
34	Law Practice 21	39,694	
35	Legal Profession Association 2	39,556	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
36	Law Practice 22	38,989	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
37	Law Practice 23	38,004	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
38	Law Practice 24	37,611	
39	Law Practice 25	37,181	
40	Law Practice 26	35,189	
41	Law Practice 27	32,622	
42	Law Practice 28	31,106	
43	Business 3	30,877	
44	Law Practice 29	30,841	
45	Law Practice 30	30,029	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
46	Law Practice 31	29,409	
47	Law Practice 32	29,297	
48	Law Practice 33	27,021	
49	Law Practice 34	26,411	
50	Law Practice 35	25,377	

From the table above, it can be seen that only 18 out of the top 50 identifiable commercial users of AustLII contributes financially to support AustLII's Australian operations. Many large users cannot be identified because they access AustLII via ISPs, rather than via identifiable domain names. There is therefore considerable potential for AustLII to receive further support from its largest users.

AustLII wishes to thank all of the institutions and individuals who have provided financial support to AustLII in 2007. These contributions play a major part in making AustLII's services sustainable. We have accordingly listed all 2007 contributors below.

INTERNATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR 2007

AustLII's international resources (AsianLII, CommonLII, and WorldLII), developed with the cooperation of other Legal Information Institutes, and its assistance to NZLII, received substantial funding in 2007, amounting to nearly \$300,000. AustLII's ARC LIEF grant from 2006 also included development of these international resources.

The largest source of 2007 funding was AusAID's Public Sector Linkages Programme (PSLP) (over \$200,000), which funds the development of the AsianLII infrastructure, many databases on Asian countries, and in-country development assistance in eight Asian countries by AustLII Co-Directors. The Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department provided \$30,000 support for CommonLII and AsianLII. Other funding was received from non-Australian sources including from New Zealand, South Africa, Commonwealth bodies and international lawyers' organisations. A full list is at <<http://www.austlii.edu.au/austlii/sponsors/intsponsors.html>>.

AustLII wishes to thank all of the institutions and individuals who have provided financial support to AustLII's international resources in 2007.

LIST OF 2007 FUNDING CONTRIBUTORS

In addition to the contributions listed below, UTS provided in-kind support in the form of accommodation and infrastructure, and UNSW provided in-kind support by hosting a back-up server and a RIBG grant (noted above) of \$75,000. The total support from each of the host institutions exceeds \$100,000.

University of Technology, Sydney (UTS) , including its Faculty of Law and UTS Library .	\$20,000	National Native Title Tribunal	\$10,000
University of New South Wales (UNSW) , including its Faculty of Law , School of Computer Science and Engineering and UNSW Library .	\$30,000	LEAP Legal Software	\$10,000
AusAID	\$274,696	OUT Law Faculty and OUT Law Library	\$10,000
Thomson Legal & Regulatory Ltd	\$100,000	Sydney Law School	\$10,000
Federal Attorney-General's Department	\$75,000	Monash University Law School	\$10,000
Legal Practitioners Liability Committee	\$50,000	Western Australian Industrial Relations Commission	\$10,000
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)	\$36,364	Queensland RSL	\$10,000
Department of Defence	\$36,364	Migration Review Tribunal	\$7,500
ANU College of Law	\$30,000	Refugee Review Tribunal	\$7,500
Law Society of New South Wales	\$25,000	Counsel's Chambers Limited	\$7,500
Australian Taxation Office	\$25,000	Bar Council of Victoria	\$7,500
Standards Australia Limited	\$20,000	Florin Burhala & Associates, Lawyers	\$6,000
Macquarie Law	\$20,000	Eastern Suburbs Law Society (NSW)	\$5,500
Melbourne Law School	\$20,000	High Court of Australia	\$5,000
University of Queensland TC Beirne School of Law	\$20,000	Supreme Court of Tasmania	\$5,000
University of New England School of Law	\$20,000	South Australian Industrial Relations Court and Commission	\$5,000
Federal Court of Australia	\$20,000	Workers Compensation Commission of NSW	\$5,000
Family Court of Australia	\$20,000	Middletons Lawyers	\$5,000
Law Council of Australia	\$20,000	Gadens Lawyers	\$5,000
Constitutional Court of South Africa	\$20,000	Australian Industrial Relations Commission	\$5,000
National Legal Aid (all Australian Legal Aid Commissions)	\$18,980	University of Western Sydney School of Law	\$5,000
NSW Senior Counsel of 2006	\$18,278	Deakin University Faculty of Business and Law	\$5,000
Anonymous contributors (82)	\$15,185	Norton Gledhill, Commercial Lawyers	\$5,000
Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC)	\$15,000	Arnold Bloch Leibler	\$5,000
Federal Magistrates Court of Australia	\$15,000	Greenwoods & Freehills	\$5,000
Minter Ellison Lawyers	\$15,000	University of Tasmania Faculty of Law	\$5,000
The College of Law (NSW)	\$15,000	Foley's List barristers	\$5,000
Baker & McKenzie	\$11,666	Turner Freeman Lawyers	\$5,000
Law Institute of Victoria	\$11,000	TressCox Lawyers, Sydney	\$5,000
The Australian Research Council (ARC)	\$10,000	Council of Law Reporting in Victoria	\$5,000
Corrs Chambers Westgarth, Lawyers	\$10,000	Queensland Industrial Relations Commission	\$5,000
Law Society of Western Australia	\$10,000	University of Wollongong Faculty of Law and Library	\$5,000
IMF (Australia) Ltd	\$10,000	Bond University Faculty of Law	\$5,000
Mallesons Stephen Jaques	\$10,000	La Trobe University Faculty of Law and Management	\$5,000
Blake Dawson Waldron	\$10,000	Office of the Liquor and Gambling Commissioner (SA)	\$5,000
Administrative Appeals Tribunal	\$10,000	Health Professionals Registration Boards	\$5,000
Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal	\$10,000	University of Newcastle School of Law	\$5,000
Clayton Utz Solicitors	\$10,000	Southern Cross University School of Law and Justice	\$5,000
Allens Arthur Robinson	\$10,000	Queensland Government	\$5,000
Freehills	\$10,000	University of Adelaide Law School	\$5,000
		James Cook University School of Law	\$5,000

National Competition Council	\$5,000	L J Priestley QC	\$1,000
Council of Australasian Tribunals Inc	\$5,000	Harwood Andrews Lawyers	\$1,000
Qantas Airways Limited	\$5,000	Paul Menzies (Barrister)	\$1,000
The Open University - CLEA	\$5,000	TransAdelaide	\$1,000
BarNet	\$4,545	Norman Waterhouse Lawyers	\$1,000
National Association of Community Legal Centres	\$4,000	W G McNally Jones Staff Lawyers	\$1,000
Inter-Pacific Bar Association	\$4,000	Teece Hodgson & Ward Lawyers	\$1,000
Maurice Byers Chambers	\$3,600	Cowell Clarke Commercial Lawyers	\$1,000
Dever's List Barristers' Clerk and Barristers	\$3,250	Schweizer Kobras, Lawyers & Notaries	\$1,000
Anglican Church (Vic)	\$3,200	The Albury & District Law Society	\$1,000
Maurice Blackburn Cashman Lawyers	\$3,100	Nunzio Lucarelli QC	\$1,000
Gilbert + Tobin Lawyers	\$3,000	Lynch Meyer Lawyers	\$1,000
NSW Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal (CTTT)	\$3,000	Vero Insurance Limited	\$1,000
Holding Redlich Law Firm	\$3,000	Cutler Hughes & Harris, Lawyers	\$1,000
Australian Government Solicitor	\$3,000	Geoff Hancy (Barrister)	\$1,000
Selbourne & Wentworth Chambers 12th Floor barristers	\$3,000	Kelly & Co, Lawyers	\$1,000
Piper Alderman, South Australia	\$3,000	New South Wales Society for Computers and the Law	\$1,000
DLA Phillips Fox, Victoria	\$3,000	Criminal Lawyers Association of Western Australia	\$1,000
Takeovers Panel (Dept of Treasury)	\$2,500	Denman Chambers, Sydney	\$800
Pharmacy Board of New South Wales	\$2,500	Simpsons Solicitors	\$850
Henry Davis York Lawyers	\$2,500	Howard Zelling Chambers, Adelaide	\$800
Russell Kennedy Solicitors	\$2,500	AGL Energy Limited, Victoria	\$750
Barristers' Clerking Services Pty Ltd	\$2,500	Queensland Crime and Misconduct Commission	\$640
Street Partners	\$2,500	Kingston Chambers, Adelaide	\$600
Commonwealth Bank of Australia	\$2,500	Jason Yeo (UTS Student)	\$600
Law Society of the Northern Territory	\$2,500	NSW Young Lawyers	\$506
BVH Global Pty Ltd	\$2,500	WA State Administrative Tribunal	\$500
Law Society of South Australia	\$2,500	Halford & Co	\$500
Johnson Winter & Slattery	\$2,500	Greens List, Barristers' Clerk (Vic Bar)	\$500
JMA Legal, Cootamundra	\$2,000	Leslie Katz	\$500
Bernard Gross QC	\$2,000	Michael Joseph SC	\$500
Donaldson Walsh Lawyers	\$2,000	Maryanne Loughnan (Barrister)	\$500
Derham Houston Lawyers	\$2,000	Daniel Harrison (Barrister)	\$500
Church & Grace Solicitors and Attorneys	\$2,000	Michael Slattery QC	\$500
Hopgood Ganim Lawyers	\$2,000	The Builders Lawyer	\$500
CRA International	\$2,000	Meriton Premier Apartments, Sydney	\$500
Planning Panels Victoria	\$2,000	David J Russell SC	\$500
Bar Chambers	\$1,800	Arlene Macdonald (Barrister)	\$500
Northern Territory Bar Association	\$1,500	Sean Jolly (Lawyer)	\$500
William Crockett Chambers	\$1,450	Michael Pearce SC	\$500
CivilTech Pty Ltd	\$1,200	Kristine Hanscombe (Barrister)	\$500
Jeffcott Chambers	\$1,200	Alan Rumsley, Commercial Dispute Lawyers	\$500
ACT Bar Association	\$1,180	Russell Cocks (Lawyer)	\$500
Tasmanian Independent Bar	\$1,120	Sarah Porritt (Barrister)	\$500
Mitchell Chambers	\$1,100	R E Byard	\$500
Julian W K Burnside QC	\$1,000	Mark Dreyfus QC	\$500
Gary Testro (Lawyer)	\$1,000	Brian Carpenter (Lawyer)	\$500
Flinders University Law Students' Association	\$1,000	Roberts Nehmer McKee Lawyers	\$500
University of New South Wales Law Society	\$1,000	Brian Gillard (Lawyer)	\$500
Kate Eastman (Barrister)	\$1,000	Geraldine Hoeben (Barrister)	\$500
John White (Barrister)	\$1,000	Adrian Batterby (Lawyer)	\$500
Forte Family Lawyers	\$1,000	Mark Bengtsson (Lawyer)	\$500
Hartog Berkeley QC	\$1,000	Chris Plummer (Lawyer)	\$500
DSA Legal Cost Consultants Pty Ltd, Sydney	\$1,000	Bell Lawyers	\$500
Jeanette Richards (Barrister)	\$1,000	McCallum Donovan Sweeney Lawyers	\$500

Walker Kissane & Plummer, Solicitors	\$500	Archer Bushby, Barristers and Solicitors	\$500
Dobson Mitchell & Allport, Lawyers	\$500	Elliott Johnston Chambers	\$500
Francis Commercial Lawyers Pty Ltd	\$500	Australian Industry Group	\$500
CKB Partners (Lawyers)	\$500	Rae & Partners, Lawyers	\$500
Anchor Legal, Commercial Lawyers	\$500	Risk Disc	\$500
VPRO Lawyers	\$500	Administration of Norfolk Island	\$500
Mouldens Solicitors	\$500	Fenwick Elliott Grace, Lawyers	\$500
Frankel Lawyers	\$500	Secombs Solicitors	\$500
Hanson Chambers	\$500	Chris Crowley (Lawyer)	\$500
Ellison Tillyard Callanan, Solicitors	\$500	Kevin Burges (Lawyer)	\$500
Ian Robertson (Barrister)	\$500	E & A Lawyers	\$500
Mizen & Mizzen, Lawyers	\$500	Southern Tablelands Solicitors' Association	\$500
Sound Learning	\$500	Crichton-Browne Solicitors	\$500
Paul S Kwon (Lawyer)	\$500	University of Western Australia Law Students' Association	\$200
Antony Comanos (UTS Law Graduate)	\$500		
Robert Crowe SC	\$500		

Other New South Wales Legal Professionals and Firms (\$13,640)

Emery Partners, Lawyers (\$300); Richard Batten, Lawyer (\$250); Bond & Bond Solicitors (\$250); Alice Chen, Lawyer (\$250); Esther Cossman, Lawyer (\$250); Lisa D'Ambra, Lawyer (\$250); Jonathan D'Arcy, Lawyer (\$250); Carla Degenhardt, Lawyer (\$250); Elizabeth Dray, Lawyer (\$250); Etheringtons, Lawyers (\$250); Peter Gray SC (\$250); Hegarty & Elmgreen, Lawyers (\$250); Margaret Holz, Barrister (\$250); Vance Hughston, Barrister (\$250); I & T Solicitors (\$250); Alec Leopold, Barrister (\$250); Charles Law, Lawyer (\$250); Lobban McNally Lawyers (\$250); Mulcahy Lawyers (\$250); O'Neill's, Lawyers (\$250); Stephen Parry, Lawyer (\$250); Andrew Pasternacki, Lawyer (\$250); Patterson Houen & Commins, Lawyers (\$250); Quay Legal Group, Lawyers (\$250); Sautelle White Lawyers (\$250); Staunton & Thompson, Lawyers (\$250); J C Thompson, Barrister (\$250); John Waters, Barrister (\$250); Lesley Waters, Lawyer (\$250); Timothy Hemsley, Lawyer (\$200); David Kell, Barrister (\$200); David Maddox, Barrister (\$200); Merewether & Co, Lawyers (\$200); Derek Minus, Lawyer (\$200); Richard Busuttill, Lawyer (\$150); Douglas Barry, Barrister (\$100); Paul Batley, Barrister (\$100); Derek Begg, Manager Education & Training (\$100); Michaela Byers, Lawyer (\$100); Kym Connell, Lawyer (\$100); Wayne Cooper, Lawyer (\$100); Richard Davies, Lawyer (\$100); John Dawson, Lawyer (\$100); Gary Donovan, Lawyer (\$100); R W D Forsyth, Lawyer (\$100); Robert Gordon, Barrister (\$100); Allison Hawkins, Lawyer (\$100); Mark Herbert, Lawyer (\$100); Nigel Hill, Lawyer (\$100); John Hozack, Lawyer (\$100); Darren Jenkins, Barrister (\$100); Paul W Kerr, Barrister (\$100); Paul Larbalestier, Lawyer (\$100); Dakin Law, Lawyers (\$100); Michael Leahy, Lawyer (\$100); Alan Lemon, Lawyer (\$100); Julia Lever, Lawyer (\$100); David Lieberman, Lawyer (\$100); Laney Luk, Lawyer (\$100); Tamir Maltz, Barrister (\$100); George McCarley, Lawyer (\$100); Michael Niven, Lawyer (\$100); Gerard O'Donnell, Lawyer (\$100); Winston Readford, Lawyer (\$100); David Rickard, Barrister (\$100); Paul Rogerson, Lawyer (\$100); David Ross, Lawyer (\$100); Anthony Scarcella, Lawyer (\$100); Shephard & Shephard, Lawyers (\$100); Stephen Teece, Lawyer (\$100); Daven Timms, Lawyer (\$100); Athena Touriki, Lawyer (\$100); Aaron Upcroft, Lawyer (\$100); Greg Watkins, Barrister (\$100); Anoni Wright, Lawyers (\$100); Antony Whittam, Barrister (\$100); Edward Wright, Director and Attorney (\$100); Zhi-Qing Zhu, Lawyer (\$100); Alex Zuur, Lawyer (\$100); His Honour Richard Cogswell SC, Judge, NSW District Court (\$50); Eden Legal & Conveyancing (\$50); Richard Hale, Lawyer (\$50); Marion Hall, Lawyer (\$50); Carolyn Kelly, Lawyer (\$50); Steven Medlow (\$50); Ishtiaque Omar, Lawyer (\$50); Skinner & Associates, Lawyers (\$50); Graham Wheeler, Lawyer (\$50); Justin Sullivan, Sublime IP Pty Ltd (\$25); Peter Slater, Lawyer (\$20); Toronto Legal, Lawyers (\$25); Katherine Grafenauer, Lawyer (\$10); Alexandra Grayson, Lawyer (\$10).

Other Victorian Legal Professionals and Firms (\$8,600)

Miguel Belmar, Barrister (\$250); Stedman Cameron, Lawyers (\$250); Marcus Clarke, Barrister (\$250); Gerard Dalton, Barrister (\$250); Lisa De Ferrari, Barrister (\$250); Foster Harris Lawyers (\$250); Peter Fox, Barrister (\$250); Allana Goldsworthy, Barrister (\$250); Phillip Hamilton, Notary (\$250); James Isles, Barrister (\$250); Anthony Lang, Barrister (\$250); Setha Lingam, Lawyer (\$250); Alistair Pound, Barrister (\$250); Michelle Quigley SC (\$250); Kathryn Rees, Barrister (\$250); Christopher Thomson, Barrister (\$250); Kristen Walker, Barrister (\$250); Barry J Woods, Lawyer (\$250); Robert Clements, Lawyer (\$200); Robertson Hyetts Solicitors (\$200); William F Rimmer, Barrister (\$200); Daniel Aghion, Barrister (\$100); Lachlan Armstrong, Barrister (\$100); Ron Curtain, Barrister (\$100); Warren Friend, Barrister (\$100); John Gurr, Barrister (\$100); Richard J Harris, Barrister (\$100); Ben Fitzpatrick, Barrister (\$100); Jeremy Gobbo QC (\$100); Judge Timothy Holt, County Court of Victoria (\$100); Lydia Kinda, Barrister (\$100); Georgia King-Siem, Barrister (\$100); Gerald Lewis SC (\$100); Jeffrey Loewenstein, Barrister (\$100); Angela Malpas, Barrister (\$100); Patrick Montgomery, Barrister (\$100); Jacinta Morphett, Lawyer (\$100); Terry Murphy SC, Barrister (\$100); Cinque Oakley Senior Lawyers, Ballarat (\$100); Patrick Over, Barrister (\$100); Stephen Parmenter, Barrister (\$100); Liza Powderly, Barrister (\$100); Mark Rinaldi, Barrister (\$100); Mark Settle, Barrister (\$100); B A Shnookal, Barrister (\$100); Matthew Townsend, Barrister (\$100); Cam Truong, Barrister (\$100); Eugene White, Barrister (\$100); Martin Willoughby-Thomas, Lawyer (\$100); Graeme Arnold, Legal Cost Consultants (\$75); Cumpston Sarjeant Pty Ltd (\$60); Christopher Connor, Barrister (\$55); Philip Crutchfield, Barrister (\$50); Garry Fitzgerald, Barrister (\$50); Michael Heaton QC (\$50); Simon T Pitt, Barrister (\$50); John Robinson, Barrister, Ballarat (\$50); Helen Rofe, Barrister (\$50); Elizabeth Ruddle, Barrister (\$50); Richard Stewart, Lawyer (\$50); Tim Falkiner, Barrister (\$40); Stephen Sempill, Judge's Associate (\$25); Emma Peppler, Judge's Associate (\$25); Brian Reckas, Hanlons Lawyers (\$20).

Other individuals (\$2,900)

Tax Matrix Pty Ltd (\$350); Gayle Davies, Manager of Library Services, NSW DPP (\$250); Epic Energy Victoria (\$250); Carolyn Richards, NT Ombudsman (\$250); Keith Ryan (\$250); Zurich Financial Services Australia Limited (\$250); M C Gledhill (\$150); Australian Manufacturing Workers' Union (\$100); Paul Bugler, Student (\$100); Micheline Dewdney (\$100); Gilbert Diab, Technical Leader, ATO (\$100); Richard Koo, Victoria Police (\$100); Eleanore Kostiuik, Television Education Network (\$100); Geoffrey Lindell (\$100); Yvette Nash (\$100); Gregory Ross, Consultant (\$100); Katy Barnett, Law Lecturer (\$50); Philip Crutchfield (\$50); Ross MacDonald, Student (\$50); CGC Migration (\$25); Centre for Offshore Energy Law and Policy (\$25); Dale Clapperton (\$20); Arturo Norbury (\$20).

Other South Australian Legal Professionals and Firms (\$2,730)

Carrington Chambers, Barristers (\$250); Jeffrey D Vigar, Lawyer (\$250); O'Briens, Lawyers (\$250); Tim Whitelum, Lawyer (\$250); Tim Cogan, Lawyer (\$200); Lawson Smith Lawyers (\$200); Tony Possingham, Barrister (\$150); Donald Aston, Lawyer (\$100); Danny Beger, Lawyer (\$100); Christopher Cocks, Lawyer (\$100); Elizabeth Connolly, Lawyer (\$100); John Harley, Public Advocate (\$100); Mark Nicholls Associates, Lawyers (\$100); Philip Harris, Lawyer (\$100); Rick Manuel, Barrister (\$100); Scales & Partners, Lawyers (\$100); Shaw Lawyers (\$100); Wallmans Lawyers (\$100); Megan Dyson, Environmental Law and Policy Consultant (\$60); Margaret Riley, AAT Co-ordinator, Welfare Rights Centre (\$20).

Other Western Australian Legal Professionals and Firms (\$2,160)

Atkinson Legal, Lawyers (\$250); Cahill Billington, Lawyers (\$250); San Ling Chan, Lawyer (\$250); Labourline, Industrial & Workplace Relations Consulting (\$250); Ken Martin QC (\$250); Sir Lawrence Jackson Chambers, Barristers (\$200); Avon Legal, Western Australia (\$100); Mark Andrews (\$100); Halsey Legal Services Pty Ltd (\$100);

Mervyn Rothstein, Lawyer (\$100); Clare Thompson, Barrister (\$100); Mark Atkinson, Lawyer (\$50); Andrew Monisse, Barrister (\$50); Robert Nash, Barrister (\$50); Johannes Schoombee, Barrister (\$50); Frances Veltman, Barrister (\$10).

Other Queensland Legal Professionals and Firms (\$750)

Howard Alexander, Barrister (\$250); Forbes Dowling Lawyers (\$250); Michael Coe, Lawyer (\$100); John Logan RFD SC (\$100); Anthony Smith, Lawyer (\$50).

Other ACT Legal Professionals and Firms (\$370)

Bernadette Boss, Barrister (\$100); Bryan Meagher SC (\$100); Wayne Sharwood, Barrister (\$100); Steven Whybrow, Barrister (\$50); Chris McKeown, Barrister (\$20).

Other Tasmanian Legal Professionals and Firms (\$100)

Lawrence Neasey, Lawyer (\$100).

AustLII Income Statement 2007 (Summary)*

INCOME	2007	
University and Academic Funding	320,000.00	Note 1
Government Agencies	129,867.28	Note 2
Business, Industry and Other Organisations	225,500.00	Note 3
Courts and Tribunals	175,500.00	Note 4
Legal Profession	399,030.53	Note 5
Individuals and Other Contributors	37,960.19	Note 6
International Projects	129,000.00	Note 7
Total Income	1,416,858.00	
EXPENDITURE		
Employee Benefits	653,526.00	
Non-Salary Items		
Plant & Equipment		
Depreciation	284,420.00	Note 8
Computer Hardware (including consumables)	30,078.00	
Computer Software	7,617.00	
Other - Maintenance	30,740.00	
Furniture	842.00	
Travel	48,061.00	
Supplies and Services	69,522.00	
Total Non-Salary Items	471,280.00	
Total Expenditure	1,124,806.00	
INCOME less EXPENDITURE	292,052.00	

* This Income Statement was prepared based on the audited accounts held at UTS.

Note 1 **University and Academic Funding** **320,000.00**

University of Technology, Sydney	30,000.00
University of New South Wales	20,000.00
RIBG (UNSW)	75,000.00
Australian National University	30,000.00
Macquarie University	20,000.00
University of Melbourne	20,000.00
University of Queensland	20,000.00
University of New England	20,000.00
College of Law	15,000.00
Queensland University of Technology	10,000.00
Monash University	10,000.00
University of Sydney	10,000.00
Deakin University	5,000.00
University of Western Sydney	5,000.00
University of Wollongong	5,000.00
Bond University	5,000.00
University of Tasmania	5,000.00
La Trobe University	5,000.00
University of Adelaide	5,000.00
Southern Cross University	5,000.00

Note 2 **Government Agencies** **129,867.28**

DFAT	36,363.64
Defence Legal	36,363.64
Australian Taxation Office	25,000.00
Australian Law Reform Commission	15,000.00
Council of Law Reporting in Victoria	5,000.00
National Competition Council	5,000.00
Queensland Department of Justice and A-G	5,000.00
TransAdelaide	1,000.00
Queensland Crime and Misconduct Commission	640.00
Administration of Norfolk Island	500.00

Note 3 Business, Industry and Other Organisations 225,500.00

Thomson Legal & Regulatory Ltd	100,000.00
Legal Practitioner's Liability Committee	50,000.00
Standards Australia	20,000.00
LEAP Software	10,000.00
IMF (Australia) Limited	10,000.00
Counsel's Chambers Limited	7,500.00
BarNet	5,000.00
Qantas Airways	5,000.00
Street Partners	2,500.00
Commonwealth Bank	2,500.00
BVH Global Pty Ltd	2,500.00
CRA International	2,000.00
Anglican Diocese of Melbourne	2,000.00
Civil Technology	1,200.00
Diocese of Ballarat	1,200.00
Vero Insurance Limited	1,000.00
AGL Energy Ltd	750.00
Meriton Premier Apartments	500.00
Sound Learning	500.00
Australian Industry Group	500.00
Risk Disc	500.00
Zurich Financial Services Australia Limited	250.00
Australian Manufacturing Workers' Union	100.00

Note 4 Courts and Tribunals 175,500.00

Federal Court of Australia	20,000.00
Federal Magistrates Court	15,000.00
Family Court of Australia	20,000.00
NSW Consumer, Trader & Tenancy Tribunal	13,000.00
Administrative Appeals Tribunal	10,000.00
VCAT	10,000.00
National Native Title Tribunal	10,000.00
WA Industrial Relations Commission	10,000.00
Refugee Review Tribunal	7,500.00
Migration Review Tribunal	7,500.00
High Court of Australia	5,000.00
South Australian Industrial Relations Court	5,000.00
Supreme Court of Tasmania	5,000.00
NSW Workers Compensation Commission	5,000.00
Australian Industrial Relations Commission	5,000.00
NSW Health Professionals Registration Boards	5,000.00
Queensland Industrial Relations Commission	5,000.00
SA Liquor and Gambling Commissioner	5,000.00
Council of Australasian Tribunals	5,000.00

Takeovers Panel	2,500.00
NSW Pharmacy Board	2,500.00
Planning Panels Victoria	2,000.00
WA State Administrative Tribunal	500.00

Note 5

Legal Profession**399,030.53**

Law Society of NSW	25,000.00
Law Council of Australia	20,000.00
National Legal Aid	18,980.00
NSW New Senior Counsels of 2006	18,278.00
Baker & McKenzie	11,666.00
NSW Legal Profession Contributors under \$500	13,490.00
Minter Ellison	15,000.00
Law Institute of Victoria	11,000.00
Clayton Utz	10,000.00
Mallesons	10,000.00
Freehills	10,000.00
Allens Arthur Robinson	10,000.00
Blake Dawson Waldron	10,000.00
Corrs Chambers Westgarth	10,000.00
Law Society of Western Australia	10,000.00
Victorian Legal Profession Contributors under \$500	8,850.00
Bar Council of Victoria	7,500.00
Florin Burhala & Associates	6,000.00
Eastern Suburbs Law Society	5,500.00
Middletons	5,000.00
Gadens	5,000.00
Norton Gledhill	5,000.00
Arnold Bloch Leibler	5,000.00
Greenwoods & Freehills	5,000.00
Foley's List	5,000.00
Turner Freeman Lawyers	5,000.00
TressCox Lawyers	5,000.00
National Association of Community Legal Centres	4,000.00
Maurice Buyers Chambers	3,600.00
Dever's List	3,250.00
Maurice Blackburn Cashman	3,000.00
Gilbert & Tobin	3,000.00
Holding Redlich Lawyers	3,000.00
Australian Government Solicitor	3,000.00
Wentworths Chambers - 12th Floor	3,000.00
Piper Alderman	3,000.00
DLA Phillips Fox	3,000.00
SA Legal Profession Contributors under \$500	2,830.00
Henry Davis York	2,500.00
Russell Kennedy	2,500.00
Barristers' Clerking Services, Melbourne	2,500.00

Law Society of Northern Territory	2,500.00
Law Society of South Australia	2,500.00
Johnson Winter & Slattery	2,500.00
Bernard Gross QC	2,000.00
Donaldson Walsh Lawyers	2,000.00
Derham Houston Lawyers	2,000.00
Church & Grace Solicitors	2,000.00
Hopgood Ganim Lawyers	2,000.00
JMA Legal	2,000.00
WA Legal Profession Contributors under \$500	2,360.00
Bar Chambers, South Australia	1,800.00
NSW Young Lawyers	1,506.53
Northern Territory Bar Association	1,500.00
William Crockett Chambers, Melbourne	1,450.00
Jeffcott Chambers	1,200.00
ACT Bar Association	1,180.00
Tasmanian Independent Bar Inc	1,120.00
Mitchell Chambers	1,100.00
Julian Burnside	1,000.00
Gary Testro, Lawyer	1,000.00
Kate Eastman	1,000.00
John White	1,000.00
Forte Family Lawyers	1,000.00
Hartog Berkeley QC	1,000.00
DSA Legal Cost Consultants	1,000.00
Jeanette Richards	1,000.00
LJ Priestley QC	1,000.00
Harwood Andrews Lawyers	1,000.00
Paul Menzies	1,000.00
Norman Waterhouse Lawyers	1,000.00
WG McNally Jones Staff Lawyers	1,000.00
Teece Hodgson & Ward Lawyers	1,000.00
Cowell Clarke Commercial Lawyers	1,000.00
Schweizer Kobras Lawyers	1,000.00
Albury & District Law Society	1,000.00
Nunzio Lucarelli QC	1,000.00
Lynch Meyer Lawyers	1,000.00
Cutler Hughes & Harris	1,000.00
Geoff Hancy	1,000.00
Kelly & Co	1,000.00
NSW Society for Computers and the Law	1,000.00
WA Criminal Lawyers Association	1,000.00
Simpson Solicitors	850.00
Denman Chambers	800.00
Howard Zelling Chambers	800.00
Qld Legal Profession Contributors under \$500	850.00
Legal Profession Contributors at \$500	24,500.00
Kingston Chambers	600.00
ACT Legal Profession Contributors under \$500	370.00
Tas Legal Profession Contributors under \$500	100.00

Note 6 **Individuals and Other Contributors** **37,960.19**

Anonymous Contributors	15,185.00
Returned & Services League of Australia (QLD)	10,000.00
Miscellaneous Contributors	4,785.19
Contributors under \$500	2,890.00
ANZSIL	2,000.00
Contributors at \$500	1,500.00
Flinders Law Students Association	1,000.00
Jason Yeo	600.00

Note 7 **International Projects** **129,000.00**

Cth A-Gs	75,000.00
Law Foundation of New Zealand	25,000.00
Constitutional Court of South Africa	20,000.00
The Open University - CLEA	5,000.00
Inter-Pacific Bar Association	4,000.00

Note 8 Depreciation & amortisation 2007

Equipment - Hardware	247,464
Equipment - Software	6,985
Equipment - Other	29,971
TOTAL:	284,420

Equipment

Net book amount as at 31 December 2007:

	Equipment - Hardware	Equipment - Software	Equipment - Other	TOTAL:
Cost	1,334,864	41,254	170,049	1,546,167
Accumulated depreciation & amortisation	-1,078,915	-27,763	-73,753	-1,180,430
Net book amount	255,950	13,491	96,296	365,737