Research Challenges and Strategies: an ARC College of Experts Perspective

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A big challenge remains the ever-decreasing pools of Nationally Competitive Funding (NCG) and a lack of serious investment in Universities.

Need to concentrate on the big National research issues in a coordinated way.

Applied research is king?

What are the ‘hot’ topics now?
Grant funding

• Track record! (research team)
• Project quality and innovation
• Industry collaboration
  – ARC Linkage
  – Consultancies
• Looking internationally
  – Key personnel
  – International granting opportunities?
ARC Discoveries: Track Record is paramount

• Top Ten Publications:
  – Quality (Rankings?)
  – Citations
  – Impact Factors
  – Other information e.g. prizes, commercial impact, external recognition
ARC: Research Environment matters

- Institutional esteem
- Institute/Centre profile
- Your research group
- Compelling case
  - Need to establish that <insert your Uni here> and your research centre/group is the place to undertake the proposed research
Questions?