

# Third Party Internet Access Policy

## Section 1 - Background and Purpose

(1) This Policy is required to manage access by third parties to the La Trobe University Network. Access to the network is governed by the [Telecommunications \(Interception and Access\) Act 1979 \(Commonwealth\)](#) (TIA Act) and by the AARNet Agreement. La Trobe University has an exemption to the Data Retention provisions of the TIA Act. In order to preserve this exemption, access to the La Trobe University network must meet certain conditions. The University [Use of Computer Facilities Statute 2009](#) also governs access to the University Network.

## Section 2 - Scope

(2) This Policy applies to:

- a. All campuses of the university;
- b. All staff, students, Council members, volunteers and contractors;
- c. All external parties wishing to use University network facilities;
- d. All network activities that are under the control or direction of the University, whether conducted on or off university property.

## Section 3 - Policy Statement

(3) No third party access to the La Trobe University network shall be granted if that access breaches the legislative, statutory or data retention obligations of the University. In addition, no third party access shall be granted if the third party does not also qualify under AARNet's third party requirements as per the [AARNet Policy on Allowed Access to AARNet](#).

(4) The University may only provide network services to:

- a. its "immediate circle" of staff and students (as defined by relevant legislation);
- b. visiting staff and students from other educational organisations and joint venture partners; and
- c. Eduroam users and formally approved guest users of the University's Wi-Fi service.

(5) The University must only provide these services on its recognised campuses and locations where the University's staff and students are undertaking work or studying.

(6) Networking services may be permitted if a carrier such as NBN, Telstra, Optus, VERNET or AARNet provides the network directly. Such services must be mediated by ICT if the network is on University property and may use University "dark fibre" where available. In this circumstance, there will be no connection to the La Trobe University data network in any way.

## Section 4 - Procedures

(7) Application for third party use of the La Trobe University network must be made in writing to the CIO via [CIO@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:CIO@latrobe.edu.au). The application must explicitly state how the third party meets the conditions required by this policy.

(8) The [Use of Computer Facilities Statute 2009](#) mandates that written permission must be obtained from the CIO before using Computer Facilities for the purpose of private profit making or other private commercial activities. Under the statute, permission from the CIO is also required to connect to the University Network.

(9) The CIO will determine if the requirements this policy have been met and may give permission by written reply.

## Section 5 - Definitions

(10) For the purpose of this Policy:

- a. AARNet: is Australia's Academic and Research Network.
- b. CIO: is the Chief Information Officer.
- c. Eduroam: is a global roaming wireless network for the research and education sector. Eduroam in Australia is provided by AARNet.
- d. Joint Venture: an association of two or more companies engaged in a solitary business enterprise for profit without actual partnership or incorporation. This requires a contract to be in place.
- e. NBN: The National Broadband Network provided by NBN Co Ltd.
- f. VERNet: is the Victorian Education and Research Network.

## Status and Details

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