

Physics Instrumentation Engineers of Australia - Let's Collaborate More!

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Having been engaged in the development of radio telescopes, neutron facilities, and optical and infrared astronomy facilities, I can't help observe that many of the engineering building blocks are precisely the same. At the same time I see that, in practice, so few of the instrumentation engineers in Australia have the opportunity to share experiences with, or learn lessons from counterparts at other Australian physics facilities.

The ANU Research School of Astronomy and Astrophysics have recently allocated strategic funding to support better collaboration and communication with our instrumentation counterparts supporting other realms of science in Australia.

The intent of this talk is to provide a background to the initiative while leaving time for discussion on ways in which better engagement may enrich us all.

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