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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Professor John Howard will be Acting Director, RSPE for Monday 23 and Tuesday 24 July.

Professor Andrew Roberts has been appointed Dean of CPMS but will not be starting until 20 August 2012. The following arrangements will be in place for Acting Director, CPMS for the period 23 July to 19 August 2012:

23 to 25 July – Martin Banwell

26 July to 13 August – Stephen Buckman

14 August to 19 August – Martin Banwell

I also advise the Dean of Science position is in the process of being advertised and as such, Richard Baker will continue as Acting Dean of Science for the period 23 July to 31 August 2012.

If you wish to contact either the Director or Dean, please forward all correspondence to pa.science@anu.edu.au and it will be distributed accordingly.

DEPARTMENTAL SEMINARS

NONLINEAR PHYSICS CENTRE

Functional metallic Nano/Microstructures for photonics applications

Joint seminar

Nonlinear Physics Center and Centre for Sustainable Energy Systems

Tuesday, 24 July at 11am

Oliphant Bldg Seminar Room

Dr. Md. Muntasir Hossain

Swinburne University

PRIMALIGHT: a tribute to disorder

Friday, 27 July at 11am

Oliphant Bldg Seminar Room

Prof. Andrea Fratolocchi, PhD

Faculty of Electrical Engineering; Applied Mathematics and Computational Science

King Abdullah University of Science and Technology (KAUST), Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

STAFF MOVEMENTS

Applied Mathematics

Prof. Vince Craig, currently acting Head of Department, will be away from 23 July to 25 July. Dr Adrian Sheppard will be acting Head of Department during this absence.

Atomic and Molecular Physics Laboratories

Dr Maarten Vos will be Acting Head of Department until 27 July while Prof. Ken Baldwin is away.

Electronic Materials Engineering

Mark Ridgway is absent until 30 July and Dr Hoe Tan will be Acting Head of Department during his absence.

Department Nuclear Physics

Dr Anton Wallner will overseas 5 – 27 July. He will also be attending the 21st Radiocarbon Conference, University of Cologne, France. He will then visit the University of Vienna, Austria, for AMS measurements/collaborative research.

EDUCATION REPORT

Semester 2 starts on Monday 23rd July. Lecturers are reminded that Wattle sites need to be prepared using the new version of Moodle (accessed via <http://wattle.anu.edu.au> as usual). Sites will be available to students from next week so please make sure they're ready!

RSPE staff are reminded of this month's PEC meeting:

When: Thursday 26th July, 2-3pm

Where: PEC/DQS seminar room, ground floor building 38

On the agenda this month are updates from the working parties looking at lab and computational skills development in the Physics and Theoretical Physics majors. All interested RSPE academics are welcome to attend - talk to your Department Education Coordinator for more information. Second semester starts on 23rd July: good luck to all involved in the School's teaching programs!

OHS

Training

Tues 31 July, 11am-12 Noon – Link Seminar Room
The University's online Risk Assessment System will be up and running very shortly. Representatives from experimental and technical group should attend.

The database aims to help all ANU staff and students effectively assess all risk related to their tasks. This is an easy to use system with relevant prompts to build up a comprehensive risk assessment that identifies all hazards, related risks and also helps in implementing controls to mitigate the risks.

Australian Institute of Physics Congress

The 20th Australian Institute of Physics Congress will be held at the University of New South Wales, 9-13 December 2012. <http://www.aip2012.org.au/>