

# Australian universities and advocacy for open knowledge

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## Copyright law reform

- Universities – users / creators of copyright and participants in copyright law reform
- Moorhouse (1975) / Haines (1982) cases
- Statutory Educational Licences / Fair Dealing
- Flexible dealing s.200AB
- ALRC review 2013
  - unis call for repeal of statutory licences
  - Recommends Fair Use or FD for educational purposes
- Productivity Commission 2016 – Fair Use

## Legislative change 2017

- Users / owners jointly draft new provisions
- *Copyright Amendment (Disability Access and Other Measures) Act 2017*
  - Simplified / streamlined educational licence s.113P
  - “the amount of the work copied or communicated does not unreasonably prejudice the legitimate interests of the owner of the copyright”
  - Fair Dealing for access by persons with disability
- Focus on flexibility – new copyright environment includes sharing / open licensing

## Openness and online education

- Universities establish green OA institutional repositories
- 2012 – year of the MOOCs
- Paris declaration on OER
  - “teaching, learning and research materials in any medium, digital or otherwise, that reside in the public domain or have been released under an open license that permits no-cost access, use, adaptation and redistribution by others with no or limited restrictions.”
- OERu – 7 Aust universities <https://oeru.org/>
- Open online education – Ljubljana Action Plan to mainstream openly licensed resources – SDG4

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