



Research Newsletter

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A Few Words from the School Research Coordinator.....

The third short course in HLA was run during June in Sydney by David Stratton and Phillip Smith. The course was very successful in attracting the interest of students from our IIBIT partner institution.

Welcome to Cameron Hurst who joined ITMS as a new lecturer in Statistics. Cameron is close to completing his PhD in Statistics. Cameron's project is titled 'Assessing the ability of permutation based multivariate techniques in detecting differences among ecological assemblages'.

Welcome to Michelle O'Brien who joined ITMS as a part-time lecturer in IT. Michelle is also involved in doctoral studies in ITMS on the project Adverse Drug Reactions and Decision Support.

Welcome to Faye Afshar who joined ITMS as a lecturer in IT. Faye is completing her Masters degree in Information Technology in Artificial Intelligence.

Welcome to Eric Lindberg who joined ITMS as a lecturer in IT. Eric is completing his Masters degree in Information Technology.

Congratulations

To **Professor Sidney Morris** who has been appointed Director of Victorian Partnership for

Advanced Computing Limited (VPAC) and congratulations also to **Glenn Stevens** who is the University of Ballarat representative on the VPAC Facility Committee.

CIAO news....

Centre of Excellence Application

CIAO is working with Curtin University, The University of South Australia and others towards an application through the ARC to establish a Centre of Excellence in the priority area of Complex Systems.

Visitors to CIAO

Dr. Eldar Hajilarov from the Suleyman Demirel University, (Almaty, Kazakstan), visited to discuss with members of CIAO the possible prospect of joint research in the area of non-smooth optimization.

Dr. Iradj Ouveysi from the Telstra Research Laboratories visited to discuss the following projects 'Optimization of Capital and Operational Expenditures for a Telecommunication Network' and 'Dynamic configuration of the telecommunication networks'.

Dr. David Nash from Natural Resources and Environment, visited to discuss the proposed new project titled 'Investigation of the biomarkers data in the study of pollution'.

Prof. Lyn Button from Deakin University visited CIAO. Lyn is an active member of the Computational Chemistry Group and was here