CREATING INCLUSIVE EVENTS

ASTRO 31

ABOUT ASTRO 3D

- The ARC Centre of Excellence in All Sky Astrophysics in 3 Dimensions (ASTRO 3D) unifies over 200 world-leading astronomers to understand the evolution of the matter, light, and elements from the Big Bang to the present day.
- ASTRO 3D is committed to equality of opportunity and to a pro-active and inclusive approach, with the Centre's Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee creating and implementing a number of policies to support and encourage all under-represented groups and promote an inclusive culture and values diversity.
- Here we discuss our Guide for Inclusive Meetings to incorporate inclusion and equality into ASTRO 3D meetings.





PLANNING A MEETING

- Set goals for equity and inclusion (eg: representation of gender, career stages, institutional affiliations etc)
- Choose a diverse and representative organising committee
- Ensure funding is sought for childcare and accessibility
- Use inclusive language and images in promoting the event
- Ask participants if they need specialist assistance
- Encourage indication of preferred pronouns
- Pro-actively find and review as diverse a group of potential speakers as possible
- · Avoid scheduling standard work hours



DURING THE MEETING

- Prepare a Welcome or Acknowledgement of Country
- Make a simple statement that inclusion is important
- Verbally acknowledge and draw attention to the Code of Conduct
- Ensure **slides** use at least 18 point font with high-contrast backgrounds
- Ensure every presenter has an audience
- Remind presenters to use microphones
- Moderate Q&A session with an awareness of inclusion
- Prepare event signage using large print and contrasting colours
- Collect feedback from participants on inclusion and consider collecting data on participation
- Where appropriate, plan activities to help participants connect.



Download our full ASTRO 3D Guide for Inclusive Meetings here by scanning the QR code:







