

AGM AGENDA 2026 – Wednesday 8th July 2025

**National University of Singapore – 12.45 to 1.35
Stephen Riady Centre (SRC) UTown, Auditorium 2 Level 1**

- 1. Welcome**
- 2. Attendance and Apologies**
- 3. Minutes of Previous meeting**
- 4. President's Report - verbal**
- 5. AGM slide report of activities presented by HERDSA President, Prof Christy Collis**
- 6. Budget Report** – Budget Report also available to view online following the conference at <https://www.hersda.org.au/agm-reports>
- 7. 2025 Auditors Report (available to view online)** <https://www.hersda.org.au/agm-reports>
- 8. Recommendations for ratification**
 - **That the positions of President Elect 2026-2027 and President 2027-2029. Edward Palmer to be ratified**
 - **That Santendra Kumar to be appointed as HERDSA auditor for the 2026-2027 year.**
 - **That the 2025-2026 budget expenditure be ratified.**
 - **2026 – 2027 Strategic Initiatives project expenditure be ratified.**
 - **That the 2025-2026 audited accounts be ratified**
- 9. Other Business**

Motion: That the HERDSA Membership approves the establishment of an Identified First Nations Executive Position (the Position) to ensure Indigenous and Māori representation within the general governance and leadership of the Society.

To achieve this, the Executive resolves to:

 1. Appoint an eligible First Nations scholar to the Executive as a general Executive Member under existing constitutional provisions for co-opted/ex-officio members for the remainder of the current Executive term (ending 2027).
 2. Adopt the accompanying Position Description to govern the general governance responsibilities and eligibility of the Position.

3. Restrict eligibility for this position to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander peoples or Māori peoples, using the 'Special Measures' provisions of Section 8(1) of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* (Cth) (Australia), and Section 57 of the *Human Rights Act 1993* alongside the principles of Te Tiriti o Waitangi (Aotearoa New Zealand).
4. Task the President with drafting a permanent constitutional amendment for the 2027 Annual General Meeting (AGM) to formally embed this identified general seat as a permanently elected position on the HERDSA Executive.

10. Meeting closure