

WFA RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Terms of Reference

The Research Advisory Committee will comprise members with expertise across the grape and wine supply chain. It will meet at least twice each year, and when required to assess project proposals.

The Research Advisory Committee will provide recommendations and advice to the WFA and Australian Vignerons executive with regard to research, development, extension and innovation for the Australian wine industry, and other related matters, which may arise from time to time.

Observers – The Research Advisory Committee will include a standing list of observers who may be called-upon to attend meetings to provide specialist expertise. These observers will not be present or participate in assessment of project proposals

This advice will, inter alia, and as required, address:

1. Identifying research priorities for the Australian wine industry.
2. Policy issues related to RD&E raised by the Australian government
3. Funding arrangements for grape and wine research in Australia.
4. Promoting the uptake of research outcomes by the Australian wine industry.
5. National and international, institutional and corporate collaboration to achieve optimal results for the Australian industry.
6. Oversight of the Wine Sector RD&E Strategy
7. Support for Wine Australia's RD&E activities, as required including:
 - Advice on industry relevance of project proposals
 - Input into strategic planning and gaps analysis
 - Input into 3 year review of projects in bilateral agreements
 - Provide advice to the Boards on the Wine Australia 5 year-plan
8. Any other RD&E related issue that requires a policy position from the wine sector.