



News Update

Proposals for papers

The deadline for proposals for papers is 12 November 1999.



For more information, or a copy of *Forum Chronicle*, email: Year2000forum@abagov.au or call the ABA on (02) 9334 7700.



Call (02) 9334 7700 for copies of *International Research Forum on Children and Media*.

Sydney 2000 Forum

'Young People and the Media Tomorrow', convened by the International Forum of Researchers

The Sydney 2000 Forum is the second major meeting of the International Forum of Researchers. With a theme of 'Young people and the media tomorrow', it will provide participants from all corners of the world with the opportunity to present research.

The forum encourages dialogue and interaction between the research community, regulators, producers and educators, and there will be opportunity for discussions on research methodology and the use of technology in studies. The focus is not only on television, but on all areas of the media: print, radio and the Internet.

The forum will be held in Sydney from 27 November to 1 December 2000, and it will be hosted by the Australian National Commission for UNESCO, with support from the ABA.

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articles on a number of research projects including 'Major V-chip Study Released in the USA', 'Children and Television in Chile', and '20 Years of C Programs'.

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Draft code of practice for the Internet

The Internet Industry Association of Australia (IIA) released its fifth draft 'For Adoption' version of the Internet Industry Code of Practice on 30 August 1999.

The draft code's approach to content regulation can be reduced to four words '... industry facilitated user empowerment', said Mr Peter Coroneos, IIA's Executive Director.

IIA's draft code requires Internet service providers (ISPs) to provide Internet users with information and links to filtering software and other access control methods. It also provides best practice benchmarks in a range of areas, including user privacy, e-commerce transactions, spamming (unsolicited emails), copyright, and fair dealing practices.

The Broadcasating Services Act requires that codes of practice be developed by industry, in consultation with the community. The ABA registers codes if certain legislative requirements are met.

IIA expects to register the code before the end of the year. The draft code is available for on the IIA's web site at www.iiia.net.au.

IRFCAM newsletter

The most recent issue of the *International Research Forum on Children and the Media* (IRFCAM) is now available. This issue features

C or P programs

Programs granted C or P classification between 18 August and 9 September 1999. Producers interested in submitting programs for classification should contact Nadia Mencinsky on (02) 9334 7840.

Program title	Origin	Class	New/renewal	Decision date	Applicant
HIGH FLYERS (SERIES 2)	Australia	CD	new	30-8-99	Southern Star Entertainment Pty Ltd
PICK YOUR FACE (SERIES 2)	Australia	C	new	1-9-99	Banksia Productions
THE ADVENTURES OF CHUCK FINN (SERIES 2)	Australia	CD	new	9-9-99	Barron Entertainment Ltd
THE SEARCH FOR TREASURE ISLAND (SERIES 2)	Australia	CD	new	31-8-99	Grundy Television
THE WIGGLES TV SERIES	Australia	P	new	1-9-99	The Wiggles Touring Pty Ltd

C - children's program, CD - drama, P - preschool, Class - classification