## Sharing the future

## ALIA and ASA working together

t the August meeting of the ALIA Board of Directors, a statement of joint purpose and co-operation between ALIA and the Australian Society of Archivists (ASA) was signed by the respective presidents. The statement acknowledges the commonality of purpose between the two organisations, both of which are recognised as peak professional bodies in the information and records sectors in Australia.

Among other things, the organisations have committed to co-operation and collaboration in the following areas:

- Reciprocal membership fee discounts and dual membership.
- · Reciprocal arrangements for annual conferences.
- Maximise co-operation in political lobbying and public policy issues.
- Increasing co-operation in the area of standards development and promulgation.
- Encourage information sharing and communication.
- Maximise co-operation in the area of education, training and continuing professional development.
- Increasing the number of joint workshops and seminars.
- Working together to forge strategic alliances with other associations and organisations.

The statement will be reviewed at the end of 2004.



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