

Visit with the University of Western Australia Pro-Vice Chancellor of Research & Innovation

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The purpose of the meeting was to increase mutual understanding of UWA and NeSC research projects and to explore the potential collaboration. The UWA has a strong commitment to developing e-Science and building on our collaboration established through earlier visits, including those of Richard Thomas to NeSC and of Malcolm Atkinson to Australia. Further links are being established, such as the INWA project between EPCC and Curtin Institute of Technology, and Peter Visscher taking up a new post at UWA after successful procuring the BBSRC's GridQTL pilot project for the University of Edinburgh. The eSI visitor programme is one possible route for furthering collaboration in the future. A major opportunity continues to be collaboration on remote monitoring of computing systems and their use, but a new opportunity is emerging as UWA look ahead to hosting a major new astronomical facility – the Square Kilometre Array - which will be a major international scientific endeavour, and which will provide many technical challenges. This general fact-finding visit is likely to be followed by further, more focussed interactions, as UWA builds up its e-Science activities

Malcolm Atkinson