



ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA

Incorporated in the ACT
ABN 37 660 297 848

Terms of Reference: ASA Ethics and Conduct Committee

The ASA Ethics and Conduct Committee (ECC) has been established by the ASA Council to oversee the investigation of any complaints of unethical behaviour or misconduct by ASA members, attendees of ASA organised, sponsored or supported meetings, events, or contributors or users of ASA publications.

Committee makeup

- The ECC will be Chaired by the ASA Vice President (unless involved in the complaint)
- The ASA President will be an ex-officio member of the ECC (unless involved in the complaint)
- The IDEA Chapter Chair will be an ex-officio member of the ECC (unless involved in the complaint)
- The ASA Council Executive will appoint up to 3 additional, independent members of the ECC from the ASA membership
- Any member of the ECC must recuse themselves if they are a Complainant, a Respondent, a witness, or have another conflict of interest.

Committee activity

- The ECC will conduct and oversee complaints and investigations as outlined in the Handling of Potential Breaches of the ASA Statement of Ethics and Code of Conduct documents
- The ECC will advise the ASA Council regarding the contents of the ASA Code of Conduct document
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