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#### PSBU SDG 17.16 Policy: Technology, Knowledge Sharing, and Innovation

#### **Purpose**

PSBU recognises that knowledge exchange, open access resources, digital technologies, and innovation are critical to fulfilling PSBU's mission, enhancing educational quality, and promoting social development. This policy defines how PSBU will foster technology-driven innovation, share knowledge broadly, and ensure equitable access to digital learning tools, especially for rural or disadvantaged learners.

#### Scope

This policy applies to all PSBU activities involving technology, research, innovation, library / knowledge resources, international and local partnerships, and digital learning. It includes academic departments, the library (including the E-Library), ICT units, outreach programmes, and collaboration with external partners (domestic and international).

#### **Policy Commitments**

PSBU commits to:

#### 1. Expand the PSBU E-Library with International Contributions

- Acquire, licence, or collaborate to include e-books, journals, databases, and open-access resources from international publishers and research partners.
- Promote open educational resources (OERs) where possible to reduce cost barriers for students.
- Maintain adequate technical infrastructure and stable internet access to ensure all students and staff can reliably access digital library resources.

#### 2. Partner with Technology Providers to Deliver Digital Learning Platforms

- Work with established technology companies and educational technology (EdTech) providers to deploy platforms for online, blended, and distance learning.
- Ensure platforms are accessible, user-friendly, and adapted to local conditions (e.g. low bandwidth, mobile-friendly).
- Provide necessary training and support for staff and students to use digital tools effectively.

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# 3. Encourage Research and Innovation in Sustainable Technologies, Education Systems, and Community Development

- Support faculty and student research in areas such as sustainable tech, digital pedagogy, inclusive education systems, and renewable/green innovation.
- Offer seed funding or grants for pilot projects that test innovative educational or community technologies.
- Include innovation goals in institutional strategic planning.

#### 4. Share Best Practices through PSBU's Memberships and Global Networks

- Actively participate in international higher-education networks, knowledge sharing consortia and digital education forums.
- Share PSBU's own case studies, innovations and teaching practices with partner institutions.
- Host or co-host seminars, workshops, webinars on technology and innovation themes.

#### Responsibilities

- Rector / University Leadership: endorse this policy; ensure strategic alignment; provide investment in infrastructure and partnerships.
- Library Services / E-Library Team: lead development of digital collections; negotiate international licences; manage open access initiatives.
- Information & Communication Technology (ICT) / Learning Technology Unit: work with tech providers; ensure platform reliability; provide training and support.
- Academic Departments & Faculty: identify innovation areas; lead or participate in research; integrate digital practice into teaching.
- External Relations / Partnerships Office: establish tech-partner collaborations; bring in expertise and resources.
- Quality Assurance / Institutional Research Office: monitor usage, impact, access, and outcomes; collect data; report; ensure equity in access.

#### **Measurement & Accountability**

Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) will include:



- Number and percentage of international digital resources (e-journals, open access publications) added to the E-Library.
- Number of digital learning platforms in use; proportion of courses delivered via online or blended formats.

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- Student/staff satisfaction with digital infrastructure and access, particularly in rural / disadvantaged regions.
- Number of research or innovation projects in sustainable or educational technologies.
- Number of knowledge-sharing events, publications, or presentations through PSBU's global memberships or networks.

Annual reporting to governance bodies, with summary reports made available to PSBU community.

#### **Related Policies & Strategies**

- PSBU SDG 17.9 (Capacity-Building Partnerships)
- PSBU SDG 4 (Quality Education), especially on teacher training, lifelong learning and infrastructure.
- ICT / Technology Use / Data Governance Policies
- Open Access / Research Data Sharing Policies

#### **Review Cycle**

Policy will be reviewed every three years, or sooner if:

- Emerging technologies or digital challenges demand updates;
- Institutional data show persistent gaps in access or usage;
- Partnerships or global norms in open access or EdTech evolve significantly.

#### **External Best Practice Benchmarks**

Here are several examples from Australian universities / higher-education sector practice that illustrate how technology, knowledge sharing, and innovation are embedded in policy and practice. PSBU can adapt these lessons to strengthen its own policy.

Institution / Initiative	Key Features / Practice	Relevance for PSBU
Bond University -	Bond has a formal policy requiring that	PSBU can adopt similar practices
Research Data	publicly-funded research data be managed	for research data: ensuring proper
Management and	in ways that facilitate access, re-use, and	data management, open-access
Sharing Policy	sharing, with attention to ethics, licensing,	sharing, and aligning with
THE VINE OF THE PROPERTY PROPERTY	and international guidelines. ( <u>Bond</u>	international norms.
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Australian Catholic	ACU has a policy that insists data are	PSBU could adopt or adapt data
University – Data	"accessible, secure, reusable" and	governance standards to ensure
and Information	managed as a strategic asset. Includes	the digital resources and E-Library
Governance Policy	information on sharing, classification,	data are well managed and usable
	privacy, and reuse. ( <u>Policy Library</u> )	over time.

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UNSW Sydney – Information Governance Policy	UNSW has an enterprise-wide policy covering usage of information resources, digital platforms, records, and Al tools. Emphasis on compliance with laws, ethics, data security, privacy. (UNSW Sites)	Provides a model for how PSBU might frame usage, access, governance, and ethical use of digital tools and information resources.
University of Western Sydney – Blended Learning / Strategic ICT Framework	Has developed blended learning quality processes, tools, and frameworks to engage students using a mix of online and face-to-face modes, aligned with technology enhancements and user support. (ERIC)	PSBU can learn from blended learning frameworks: ensuring learning modes are varied, well supported, and designed with student needs (including rural / low-bandwidth) in mind.
Labshare Consortium – Remote Lab Sharing (Australia)	A consortium of several universities sharing remote laboratories so students can access experiments and labs virtually. Increase access, resource-sharing, cost effectiveness. (Wikipedia)	PSBU could explore similar cooperative or shared infrastructure with partner



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