

Report to ICASE Executive June 2026

Australia/ Pacific Regional Representative

Dr. Carol Aldous

1.Membership

Dr Carol Aldous joined the Executive of the ICASE board in March 2023 following the retirement of Dr Leah Moore from ICASE. Carol's member organisation is the Australasian Science Education Research Association (ASERA) where she serves on the ASERA board of directors. At every ASERA Board meeting, Carol gives an ICASE update report.

ICASE has had a long association with ASERA, whose founding Father Professor Peter Fensham was a recipient of the ICASE distinguished service award in 1988.

2. Sub Committees

Dr Aldous serves on the following committees

- ❖ Membership Committee
- ❖ ICASE Bulletin Committee

3. Activities in the Australia /Pacific region

- ❖ Regular reports to ASERA Board on the activities of ICASE are given
- ❖ Is a regular contributor to the ICASE bulletin (viz sharing information on ASERA news and its annual conferences)
- ❖ ASERA has recently produced a white paper entitled *Science Education Fit for the Future* which is about to be launched at the ASERA 57 Conference in Brisbane in July. (The former intended launch date in May had to be revised due to travel restrictions for academic staff during the fuel crisis).
- ❖ As chair of the Science/ STEM working group producing the white paper I have permission to share its contents at the 8th ICASE World Conference as a pre-launch.
- ❖ ASERA has signed a partnership agreement with the Australian Science Teachers Association (ASTA)
- ❖ Dissemination of the call for abstracts for the 8th ICASE World Conference took place via ASERA's Monthly Newsletter which is e-mailed to every member each month. This included the extended call for abstracts in March.
- ❖ The call for abstracts for the 8th ICASE World Conference was also disseminated to the Australian Science Teachers Association (ASTA) via its president for distribution to member associations.
- ❖ The call for abstracts for the 8th ICASE World Conference was also disseminated to the South Australian Science Teachers Association (SASTA)
- ❖ Dr Carol Aldous is a member of both SASTA and ASTA . The profile of ICASE is being raised in the region.