

Curtin University response to questions from The Australian:

International research collaborations are essential if we are to find solutions to the world's greatest challenges and Curtin requires that these linkages are undertaken in accordance with all applicable Australian laws and guidelines.

Curtin has been, and continues to be, a willing and constructive participant in the development and implementation of the Guidelines to counter foreign interference in the Australian university sector.

The Guidelines enable Curtin to adopt a risk-managed approach to counter foreign interference, in the context of our mission of undertaking world leading research.

They have reinforced the need for all universities, including Curtin, to review their practices and to make refinements where appropriate.

Curtin University has well developed policies and procedures for declaration of interests by staff. We communicate with staff regularly to remind them of their obligations to declare any interests.

In relation to Professor Yu and Emeritus Professor Foster, we have taken, and will continue to take, steps we consider appropriate in managing their association with the University. It is not our policy to comment publicly on matters concerning individual members of staff or their employment arrangements.

Curtin University requires relevant international linkage arrangements to be recorded and this is part of an active register. We have recently reminded staff to ensure that all such interactions/relationships/memberships are recorded.

Curtin University staff also have the opportunity to record their linkages on their staff pages and some choose to do so.