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Australasian Geodetic VLBI Network

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APPLYING GEOSCIENCE TO AUSTRALIA'S MOST IMPORTANT CHALLENGES



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IVS and VLBI networks

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Significant improvement in ICRF and ITRF is expected due to implementation of this network:



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IVS site distribution



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26m Antenna in Hobart

0.8 deg/sec in azimuth, 0.6 deg/sec in elevation



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12m Antenna "Patriot" in Hobart

5 deg/sec in azimuth, 1.5 deg/sec in elevation



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AuScope Network (GPS, SLR, VLBI)



100 GNSS receivers3 VLBI telescopes2 SLR facilities

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Observational results

- 1. Operations started in 2011 (funded by AuScope)
- 2. Extra funds granted by Geoscience Australia since 2013
- 3. Hobart12, Yarra12M, Kath12M, Warkworth, HartRAO (two stations), Hobart26, Parkes (64 meter)
- 4. Three AuScope stations more than 100 sessions per year in 2013-2014
- 5. Correlation in Curtin Uni
- 6. Full integration to the global IVS network

Baseline Hobart12-Kath12M

Hobart12-Kath12M



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Baseline Hobart12 – Yarra12M

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Hobart12 - Warkworth

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Kath12M - Warkworth

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Kath12M – Yarra12M

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Yarra12M - Warkworth

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Linear rates (mm/year)

Baseline	Hobart12-	Hobart12 -	Yarra12M –
	Kath12M	Yarra12M	Kath12M
Linear rate	-0.4 +/- 1.6	- 6.4 +/- 1.3	-1.1 +/- 1.1
N	(129)	(122)	(108)

Baseline	Hobart12- Wark12M	Wark12M-Yarr12M	Wark12M – Kath12M
Linear rate	-8.6 +/- 3.0	- 9.1 +/- 6.5	-7.1 +/- 7.8
N	(34)	(30)	(22)

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Conclusion

- There are lot of daily estimates of the baseline lengths (station coordinates) obtained in 2011-2014, especially since January, 2013
- 2. Linear rates are estimated properly
- 3. Irregular variations of baseline lengths are indicated using the frequent time series
- Nature of the variations needs to be explained (Atmosphere loading? Hydrology? Non-tidal deformation?)
- 5. Further extension of the network is desirable



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Any Questions?

Thank you for your attention



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