



## THE ADMINISTRATION OF NORFOLK ISLAND

### **Administration signs technical cooperation agreement with University of New England**

The Administration of Norfolk Island has entered into an agreement with the University of New England (UNE) in Armidale, New South Wales, which opens up prospects for close cooperation in a range of technical and research areas.

The Memorandum of Understanding with UNE was signed by the Chief Executive Officer of the Administration this week. It details the intent of the two parties to "...promote a climate of open exchange and cooperation...in respect of:

- (a) environmental teaching and research;
- (b) specific consultancies consistent with UNE's areas of expertise;
- (c) community engagement; and
- (d) joint applications for research funding to government or industry."

This agreement will form the basis of a more detailed contractual document which will establish clear and defined objectives for the proposed formal relationship based on a documented evaluation and review of the relationship and demonstrated mutual benefit to the two parties.

5 June 2009