

Statement on information as a commodity and its importance to economic development

The Australian Library and Information Association advocates the development of an informed society that can partake and participate in skilled decision-making.

Accurate, relevant and timely information is the key ingredient to effective decision-making. Australia's long-term economic development is dependent on its ability to use information to make decisions that enable growth, progress and productivity.

The library profession contributes to an informed society by acquiring, organising, archiving, retrieving, using, synthesising and analysing information and thereby empowering users so that they can utilise this information in their decision-making processes.

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