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The Tax Office doubled its annual contribution to legal website AustLII to sponsor the development of a taxation library.

The Australasian Legal Information Institute (AustLII) website provides free access to a wide range of public legal information including legislation, case law, law reform reports, treaties and law journals. It is widely used by Tax Office technical staff, with an average of more than 35,000 hits from the ATO each month.

In recognition of this use, the ATO makes an annual contribution to support AustLII. Without such contributions from government and commercial organisations, AustLII may not be able to provide universal free access.

This year, the Tax Office doubled its annual contribution to \$50,000 to sponsor the development of the AustLII taxation library, which provides one searchable location for tax related resources on AustLII.

Sue Sinclair, First Assistant Commissioner, Law & Practice, said the development of the taxation library will provide a valuable resource for staff, tax practitioners and the wider community.

‘It will allow further and improved access to ATO public information from this respected resource,’ she said.

Peter Hansell from Law & Practice and First Assistant Commissioner Sue Sinclair with Andrew Mowbray and Annelies Moens from AustLII.



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Library & Information Services and Law & Practice are assisting AustLII in the development of the library, for example by providing a search of the material held in the Tax Office Legal Database from the AustLII site. A limited search is currently available, with improvements expected to be made over the coming year. //

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