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In this paper, NACCQ's online eJournal BACIT (Bulletin of Applied Computing and Information Technology) is introduced. Its place and role as a vehicle for promoting scholarly activities in New Zealand is also briefly discussed.

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1. INTRODUCTION

BACIT (The Bulletin of Applied Computing and Information Technology) is an electronic publication which belongs to the large family of electronic serials: publications available over the Internet which can be accessed through a variety of platforms such as the Web or email (EJM, 2001). Electronic journals (eJournals) are offered exclusively online. Although the eJournal community changes rapidly as it grows, some journals are well known and have established a reputation as reliable sources. Examples include *First Monday*, *T.H.E Journal*, *The Journal of Educational Technology* and others (Ryder, 2004). Most eJournals are published as self-contained editions, but some are part of an aggregation such as the EBSCO database (Machovec, 1997).

2. NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR COMPUTING QUALIFACTIONS (NACCQ) AND BACIT

In 2003 NACCQ launched its eJournal BACIT to complement the range of publication offerings. Proceedings are published for the annual Conference, where full papers are peer reviewed and short papers editorially reviewed. These contributions are then considered for the paper based Journal for Applied Computing and Information Technology (JACIT), or if appropriate – for BACIT.

3. BACIT CONTENTS

Research papers, research and project reports and opinion pieces on computing theory and prac-

tice, on Information and Communications Technology (ICT) education, and on ICT innovation and development are all considered suitable for BACIT. Articles written by new and emerging researchers, especially from practitioners and academics working within the NACCQ sector, and from postgraduate students are encouraged. Submissions will normally be between 3,000 and 5,000 words.

4. BACIT ON THE WEB

BACIT is a Web only eJournal and is located at <http://www.naccq.ac.nz/bacit/>. In an effort to enhance the Bulletin's visibility and popularity, submissions have been made to several Web directories. At the time of the writing of this article, BACIT has been included in the *Open Directory Project* (in the category Computers>Programming>Magazines and E-Zines), and in the *Google Directory* (under Computers). Three other possible listings are being considered (*Yahoo!*, *Electronic Journal Miner* and *NewJour*).

3. CONCLUSION

BACIT is a relatively new publication. It is hoped that it will be "the place to publish your first research or research in its formative stages" where emerging researchers, well established scientists, industry practitioners and educators submit and collaborate. The Bulletin is published electronically up to four times a year.

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