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## **TransOceanik: Academic Research & Public Domains**

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Academic research is inherently linked to public domains: civic society, community groups, NGOs, places and spaces, including cyberspace. Public domains are also where academics share their research – with each other, graduate and undergraduate students, civil society and the general public.

Such was the case of a colloquium on the theme *Academic Research in the Public Domain: Interactions, Interpretations and Display*.

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The colloquium was held at The Cairns Institute (TCI), the tropical research institute of James Cook University which serves its tri-city campuses in Cairns, Townsville and Singapore.

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