



Many faculty simply do not publish; if they do, it is irregular and generally not peer reviewed.

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All the while the Asian universities are being widely talked about as "the next higher education superpowers" with Japan, S Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, and Hong Kong competing for research supremacy with policies designed to promote "world-class universities." India's IITs are also emerging as world-class teaching and research institutions.

The matter of global rankings also requires some mention. The diversity, circumstances, resources, history, etc. of the variety of universities are not comparable—hence particular ranking systems are by nature inappropriate and flawed. It may be better to devise our own system to assess the effectiveness and contributions of the (research) universities. Using both global and local

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systems, however, may provide useful insights. Whether we can devise a valid and reliable ranking system is also a moot question.

While I provide an outline of key considerations to establish research in the public universities, it is by no means comprehensive. For the cognoscenti, the devil is in the details! But I trust this essay will serve as a

platform for critical conversations to ensure that research occupies a larger, more central, highly productive, and influential role in the public universities and, thereby, the nation. The role of the private universities and other research organisations must also be brought into the discussion to develop a comprehensive national research strategy.

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