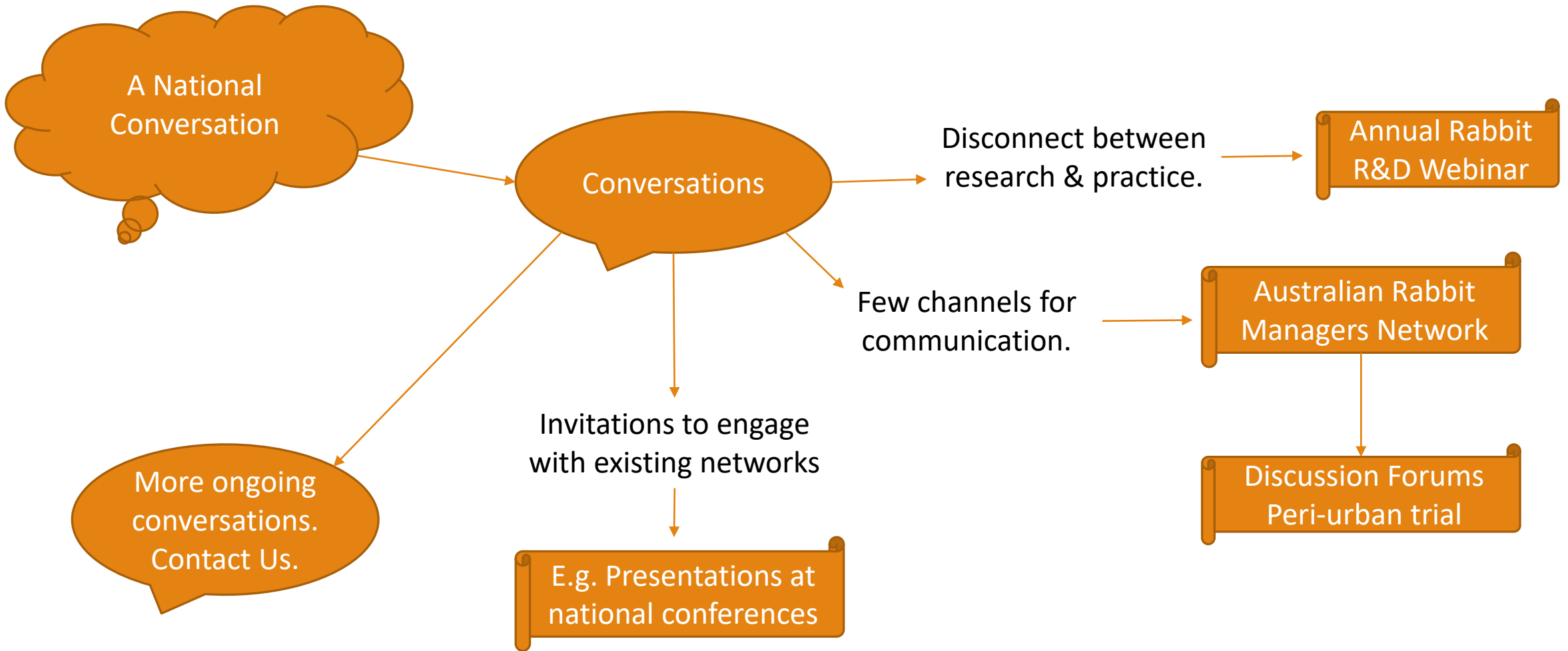


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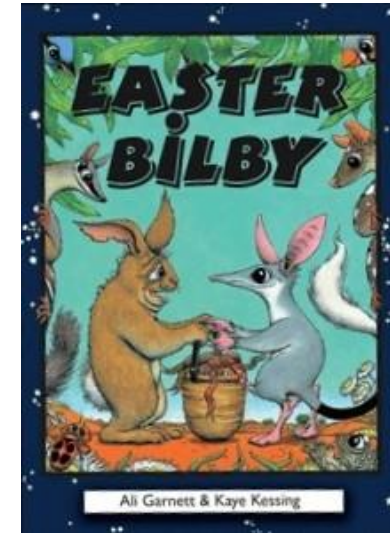
Following a call for proposals, the Foundation has invested in several new projects that will help investigate potential rabbit bio-controls, trial better bait delivery options, and ensure recent research findings are available to everyone:

- **Viral Bio-controls.** Rabbit researcher, Dr **David Peacock**, will be assisted to attend and present a paper at the 6th World Lagomorph Conference in France, July 2022. Attendance will assist in his aim to assess the feasibility of a herpes virus as a form of rabbit bio-control. Additional funds have been earmarked to support modelling of how a herpes virus would operate in Australia, should that look prospective.
- **Alternative Baiting Trial.** **Bush Heritage Australia** is testing alternative methods and timing for the delivery of baits and RHDV, as part of an integrated rabbit control program in SW WA, with assistance from the Foundation to cover some costs.
- **Open Access.** Spreading the word. Funds have been allocated to ensure important published research papers are readily available to everyone at no further cost. A paper by **Greene Finlayson**, **Pat Taggart** & **Brian Cooke** has been published in [Restoration Ecology](#) and similar support is planned for publications that rabbit geneticist **Amy Iannella** is preparing.

They join three existing projects (Gene-Drive technology, Ground-layer impacts, and Heatwave impacts) that carry on from last year. More information on all projects is at [Current Research](#).



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