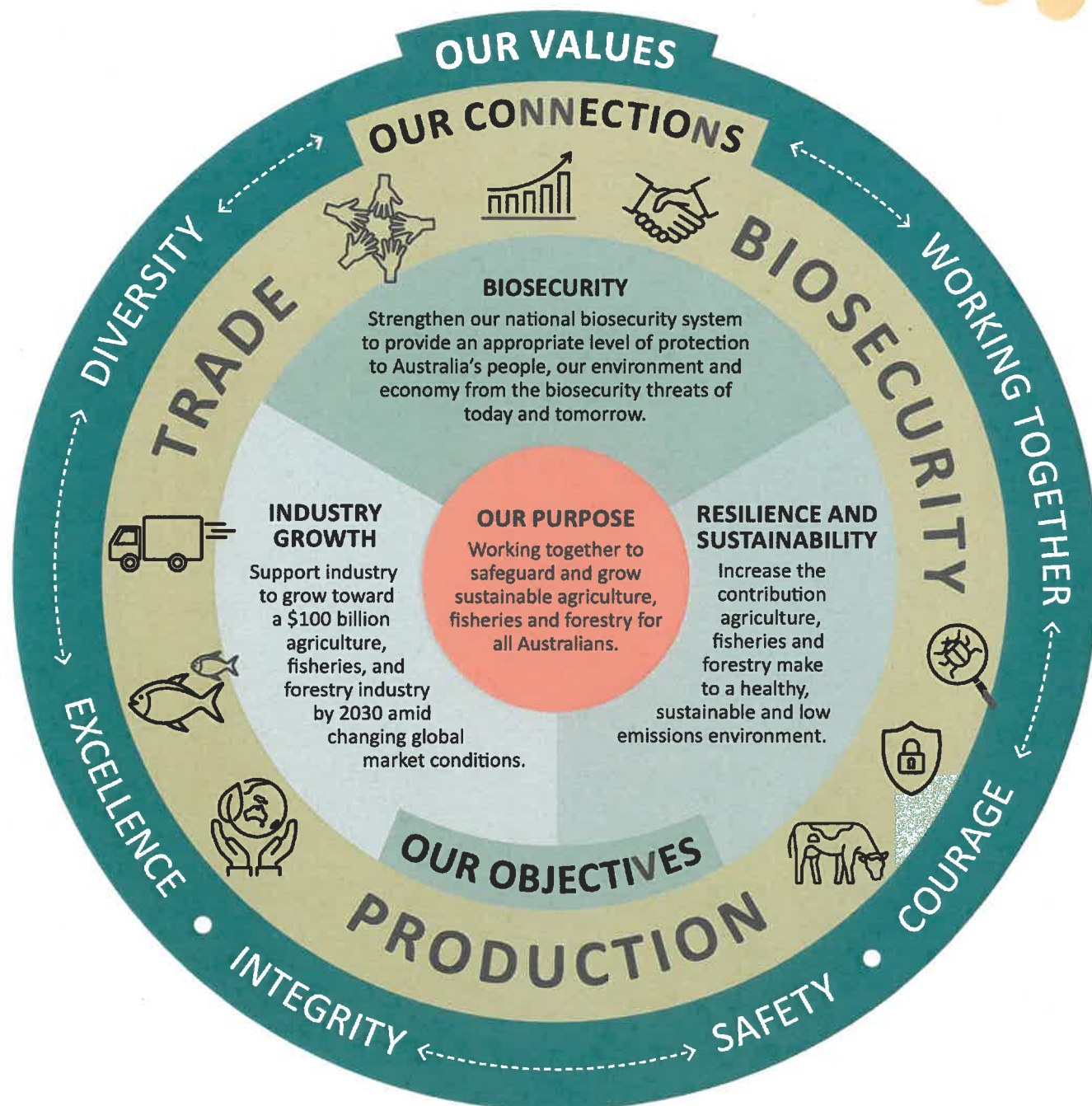


# Our Purpose, Objectives, Priorities, Vision and Values

## Our vision

*A more sustainable and prosperous Australia through biosecurity, production and trade*



## Our strategic priorities

- 1 Increase agriculture, fisheries, and forestry productivity, enhance value-adding, and work with industry to increase workforce capability
- 2 Maintain and improve agricultural, fisheries and forestry market access
- 3 Enhance our biosecurity preparedness, response, and intervention capacity and performance and strengthen the operational performance of our biosecurity system
- 4 Improve the sustainability of agriculture, fisheries, and forestry, including transition to a low emissions future, and resilience to economic, social, environmental and climate change.

## Our cross-cutting priorities

### First Nations commitment

The Department's First Nations Platform will aim to deliver on our commitment to realising shared benefits with First Nations people in the delivery of our objectives, priorities and what we do everyday. This includes working with First Nations people to activate the economic value of land, water, and sea resource rights, and strengthening the crucial role of Indigenous Ranger groups in Australia's biosecurity protection. We will also work together in genuine partnership to support the achievement of the Priority Reforms and targets under the National Agreement on Closing the Gap, and promoting and encouraging First Nations Voice.

### What we do

Our policies and initiatives promote better resource management practices, innovation, self-reliance, improved access to international markets and international engagement to develop more sustainable, productive and profitable agricultural, food and fibre industries. We safeguard Australia's animal and plant health status to maintain overseas markets and protect the economy and environment from the impact of exotic pests and diseases, through risk assessment, inspection and certification, and the implementation of emergency response arrangements for Australia agricultural, food and fibre industries.

### Departmental capability

Our Blueprint for Being Future Ready delivers on priorities for Australian Public Sector reform with a focus on:

- strengthening our ability to deliver agile, high quality and forward-looking policy advice
- supporting better and more inclusive ways of collaborating with partners, industry, unions, and communities
- building digital and technology capabilities and solutions
- maturing our regulatory systems to be risk based and data driven
- strengthening cross-cutting science, information, and research activities
- harnessing data and analytics to inform decision-making
- improving financial discipline and sustainability
- building strong and adaptable leadership and driving innovative ways of working.