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### **Standing Committee on Industry, Innovation, Science and Resources**

Inquiry into impacts on local businesses in Australia from global internet-based competition

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## **Internet competition inquiry ‘fully booked’**

The House of Representatives [Industry, Innovation, Science and Resources Committee](#) will hold a roundtable hearing with the Australian Booksellers Association and the Accommodation Association of Australia tomorrow, as part of its Internet Competition inquiry.

Acting Committee Chair [Luke Gosling OAM, MP](#) said traditional small businesses have been central to discussions of the inquiry because it is important to know what they are doing to meet any digital challenges of online competition.

“The Committee is looking forward to hearing from two of Australia’s key representative associations.” Mr Gosling said.

“Following these roundtable sessions, the Committee will develop recommendations based on the themes raised regarding impacts on local businesses in Australia from global internet competition”.

The Committee kicked off the inquiry in late 2017 hearing from the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science, and started 2018 sittings with a second hearing with the ACCC and the Australian Retailers’ Association.

The Committee is planning a further roundtable hearing with academics and STEM specialists in late February.

**Public hearing details: 10.45am – 12.00pm, Wednesday 14 February, Committee Room 1R3, Parliament House, Canberra**

The hearing will be broadcast live at [aph.gov.au/live](http://aph.gov.au/live)

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