



SKILLED MIGRANTS TO HAVE THEIR SAY

The Joint Standing Committee on Migration is keen to hear views of migrants and employers on the current system of assessing the skills of people wishing to migrate to Australia under the skilled migration system.

“The Committee wants to see if the current arrangements for overseas skills recognition, licensing and registration are working as well as they might. If you come to Australia under the skilled migration program, or are an employer, we are particularly interested in hearing from you”, the Chairman of the Committee, Mr Don Randall said.

Because skills recognition can also be an important issue for people who come to Australia outside of the Skilled Stream, the Committee is also examining the arrangements that are in place for other migrant groups needing post-arrival skills assessment, recognition, registration, or upgrading, including arrangements for Australian citizens returning to Australia with overseas qualifications.

In addition, the Committee is comparing Australia’s overseas skills recognition arrangements with those of other major immigration countries and whether greater consistency in the recognition of qualifications might be achieved among Australian States and Territories.

The Committee welcomes submissions from interested persons and groups.

For interview:

Please contact the Committee Chairman, Don Randall MP on (02) 6277 2090 (Canberra) or in his electorate on (08) 9390 1211.

For background information, including the full terms of reference and copies of submissions when they become available, please contact the committee secretariat on (02) 6277 4560 or visit the inquiry website at www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/mig/reports.htm