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CN3183592	No	Jackie Gleeson	Corporate	Research services	4400021118	ORIMA RESEARCH PTY LTD	\$277,760.00	Market research	Developmental and concept testing research for the Parent Engagement Campaign.	11.05.2015	30.09.2015	Developmental research and concept testing focus groups.	No, outcomes will not be made public.	No, this report will not be made public.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Research participants were selected via a random sampling approach and different people were included in each wave.
CN3284025	Yes	Jackie Gleeson	Corporate	CONTRACT FOR CAMPAIGN ADVERTISING DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN.	4400022400	BCM	\$1,204,000.00	Advertising	Creative development for the Parent Engagement Campaign.	10.07.2015	31.12.2015	Creative materials for the Parent Engagement Campaign.	Creative materials were placed in paid and unpaid media as part of the Parent Engagement Campaign. The Learning Potential app is available from the Apple App Store and Google Play. The Learning Potential app went live on 19 August 2015. The campaign advertising commenced on Sunday 23 August 2015 and continued till Saturday 26 September 2015.	N/a, no report was developed.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	The nature of this contract does not involve contributions from stakeholders.
CN3292306	No	Jackie Gleeson	Corporate	RESEARCH CONSULTANCY TO TEST AND REFINEMENT PARENT ENGAGEMENT CONCEPTS	4400022652	TNS	\$216,673.60	Research programs	Concept and refinement testing research for the Parent Engagement Campaign.	24.06.2015	25.09.2015	Concept and refinement testing focus groups.	No, outcomes will not be made public.	No, this report will not be made public.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Research participants were selected via a random sampling approach and different people were included in each wave.
CN3129762 (originally - incorrectly-asked as 'CN3129746' by Senator)	No	Dianne Weddell	HERI	Quality indicators for learning and teaching market research	4400020839	TNS	\$88,000.00	Market research	Market research to support the development of the QILT website.	02.06.2015	30.06.2015	Market research to inform the development of the website.	Yes - report is attached.	See attached (Attachment 1.1 and Attachment 1.2).	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Research participants were selected via a random sampling approach.
CN3146882	No	Julie Birmingham	HERI	Research and report on Whole-of-University options	4400020867	ORIGIN CONSULTING	\$12,000.00	Research programs	Agenda paper for ATSIHEAC Consideration.	09.06.2015	24.06.2015	A report on good practice in whole-of-university approaches to Indigenous higher education.	Under Ministerial consideration.	Under Ministerial consideration.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Stakeholders have considered the report. Universities will be involved in implementation consultation as part of implementing response to ATSIHEAC final advice.
CN3146952	No	Elizabeth Campbell-Dorning	HERI	Brazil Australian Higher Education Forum Report	4400020883	UNIVERSITIES AUSTRALIA	\$16,500.00	Management advisory	The event brought together senior representatives from Brazilian and Australian universities to explore opportunities to further advance and deepen higher education and research engagement between Brazil and Australia.	30.05.2015	30.11.2015	The forum provided a vehicle for participants to explore opportunities for institutional cooperation; collaborative research projects; and student, academic and staff exchanges. Discussions focused on three main themes: Mobility, Industry Engagement, and Research and Research Training.	Yes - available publicly since September 2015.	Yes, this report is publicly available at www.internationaleducation.gov.au	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Universities Australia is engaging with the Australian university sector and with Brazil's peak university body to progress the outcomes from the forum.
CN3146982	No	Karen Sandercock	HERI	Review East Asia Summit Education Plan of Action	4400020887	AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL FOR EDUCATIONAL	\$25,103.10	Research programs	To give effect to a decision of East Asia Summit (EAS) Education Ministers to review progress under the EAS Education Plan of Action.	15.04.2015	30.09.2015	Provide advice to EAS Education Ministers on outcomes of current EAS Education Plan of Action, and inform future EAS activity.	A draft report is currently under consideration by the EAS Education Chair Lao PDR Associate Professor Dr Sisamone Sithirajongsa Permanent Secretary of Lao Ministry of Education and Sport and senior officials.	A decision as to whether this report will be made public will be made once it is finalised and considered by government.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	All EAS education members have been consulted, including in setting the project scope, providing source documents, responding to a survey and commenting on the draft report.
CN3147112	No	Karen Sandercock	HERI	A review of the governance and administration arrangements of Tuition Protection Services (TPS)	4400020915	J BARBER & M C BARBER	\$44,000.00	Management advisory	To examine the governance and administrative arrangements of the Tuition Protection Service (TPS).	28.05.2015	10.07.2015	Recommendations for improving the governance and administrative arrangements of the TPS.	Under Ministerial consideration.	Under Ministerial consideration.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Stakeholders were consulted by the reviewer and public submissions were invited.
CN3292301	Yes	Steve Nerlich	HERI	Economic benefit of international education—review	4400022690	DELOITTE ACCESS ECONOMICS	\$143,550.00	Research programs	To investigate the value of international education to Australian communities (metropolitan and regional).	10.09.2015	31.12.2015	Deloitte EA will submit a final report of their research in December 2015.	A decision as to whether outcomes will be made public will be made once this work is finalised and considered by government.	A decision as to whether this report will be made public will be made once it is finalised and considered by government.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Deloitte is conducting a consultation process with international education stakeholders.
CN3129742	No	Marg Sykes	Schools and Youth	Consultancy to Develop a Blueprint for Initial Teacher Education and Teacher Workforce Data	4400020832	VICTORIA UNIVERSITY	\$314,534.00	Research programs	To develop advice on the future of the collection and reporting of national initial teacher education and teacher workforce data.	08.06.2015	31.10.2015	This procurement is a consultancy to provide/undertake: 1. Qualitative research to develop a measurement framework for future needs for initial teacher education and teacher workforce data. 2. Data mapping report. This will include researching and analysing the currently available data and existing collections of initial teacher education and teacher workforce data. This report will map data needs against current collection and reporting processes and identify gaps, linkages and redundancies in current data collections. 3. A final report that provides a blueprint for the implementation of the measurement framework. This will include describing the teacher lifecycle, from initial teacher education through the teacher workforce to exit from the workforce, and undertaking a critical evaluation of the data needed to inform research, evidence and workforce planning.	It is anticipated the final report will be provided as advice to Education Council, and its public release will be subsequent to a decision by Education Council.	A decision as to whether this report will be made public will be made once it is finalised and considered by government.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Forty one key initial teacher education and teacher workforce stakeholder organisations, as well as data experts, were invited to participate in consultations. The Data Strategy Group of the Australian Education, Early Childhood Development and Youth Affairs Senior Officials Committee were also consulted throughout the project.
CN3184322	No	Linda White	Skills and Training	Media Placement	4400021090	DENTSU MITCHELL MEDIA AUSTRALIA	\$71,500.00	Advertising	Digital display, social media and Google search words advertising for the Industry Skills Fund.	12.05.2015	30.06.2015	To raise awareness of the Industry Skills Fund programme and to encourage businesses to enquire about the fund and submit an online enquiry form.	Yes, advertising ran from 27 April 2015 – 23 May 2015.	N/a, no report was developed.	The Department is required to place advertising through the Government's master media agency (Dentsu Mitchell).	Contract was for media placement. This question is not applicable.
CN3191482	No	Kelly Fisher	Skills and Training	MY SKILLS EVALUATION PROJECT - WALLIS	4400021073	WALLIS CONSULTING GROUP P/L	\$55,000.00	Research programs	Investigate the usability of My Skills website and its features.	19.06.2015	11.09.2015	The final report will: - propose how future development could enhance the suitability and usability of the website - determine the most effective communication channels to promote the website - test the visual identity of the website - test terminology on the website - provide advice on the information that My Skills should offer stakeholders to inform their decision making.	The outcomes will inform future development of My Skills over the next few years.	A decision as to whether this report will be made public will be made once it is finalised and considered by government.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	This research project involved taking on the views from a representative sample of relevant stakeholders, including RTOs and prospective VET students, through in-depth interviews and surveys.
CN3191842	No	Maryann Quagliata	Skills and Training	Development and hosting of VET-HELP online complaints system	4400021091	ORIMA RESEARCH PTY LTD	\$439,896.00	Research programs	The services to be provided for this programme of work relate to the development and hosting of a VET FEE-HELP online complaint reporting system.	19.06.2015	29.12.2015	The creation of a web based IT application for all VET students to submit complaints directly with their VET providers. Create a data warehouse on all complaints from VET FEE-HELP eligible students.	No, outcomes will not be made public.	N/a, no report was developed.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	This research project involved taking on the views from a representative sample of relevant stakeholders, including RTOs and prospective VET students, through in-depth interviews and surveys.
CN3218492	Yes	Tracey Murphy / Grant Lovelock	Skills and Training	RESEARCH SERVICES	4400021192	ITHACA GROUP PTY LTD	\$99,985.00	Research programs	Research to evaluate the delivery of the Skills Checkpoint Pilot delivered through the Australian Apprenticeship Support Network.	24.06.2015	30.06.2016	A final report will be presented to Government on the performance of the pilot, delivery models and recommendations for any future rollout.	A decision as to whether outcomes will be made public will be made once this work is finalised and considered by government.	A decision as to whether this report will be made public will be made once it is finalised and considered by government.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	The Feedback and Complaints System (FACS) is being developed to identify current and emerging risks using data analytic tools and facilitate the timely resolution of student complaints and remission of debts by the department delegate due to inappropriate practices by providers. The department does not currently have this type of analytic and remission tool at its disposal at present.
CN3218782	No	Melissa McEwen	Skills and Training	Market research to conduct message testing	4400021214	GFK AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	\$78,000.00	Market research	Research was undertaken to provide a strong evidence base for communication activities to raise the profile of VET.	08.01.2015	24.07.2015	Research will assist in informing messaging, proposed communication activities and timing in which activities should occur.	Partially - initial findings were presented at the NCVET No Frills Conference in July 2015, however, no further aspects will be made public.	No, this report will not be made public.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Research participants were selected via a random sampling approach and different people were included in each wave.
CN3218802	Yes	Genevieve Watson	Skills and Training	VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING EXPERT	4400021208	BATEMAN & GILES PTY LTD	\$59,400.00	Community and social	Advise the Commonwealth on approaches to collection of material from Industry Skills Councils (ISCs) to support the establishment of the new model for the development of training packages.	22.06.2015	04.03.2016	Advice on approaches to the collection of training package relevant material. Advice on the logic, cataloguing and architecture of storage within an information repository. Identification of appropriate historical material. Assistance with further identification and prioritisation of material during collection.	A decision as to whether outcomes will be made public will be made once this work is finalised and considered by government.	A decision as to whether this report will be made public will be made once it is finalised and considered by government.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Expert engagement required. Public input not appropriate.
CN3278545	No	Kathryn Shugg	Skills and Training	NATIONAL & STATE BASED MEDIA ADVERTISING	4400021758	DENTSU MITCHELL MEDIA AUSTRALIA	\$25,866.76	Advertising	The purpose was to advertise the opening of a competitive grants process - Expression of Interest (EOI) to operate as a Skills Service Organisation (SSO).	20.07.2015	27.07.2015	To attract expressions of interest from a wide range of applicants.	Yes, the advertising was placed on 20 July 2015.	N/a, no report was developed.	The Department is required to place advertising through the Government's master media agency (Dentsu Mitchell).	Contract was for media placement. This question is not applicable.
CN3280730	Yes	Kelly Fisher	Skills and Training	VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONSUMER INFORMATION RESEARCH	4400022284	MARKET SOLUTIONS PTY LTD	\$297,811.23	Research programs	To assess the information needs of vocational education and training consumers.	24.07.2015	08.10.2015	A ranked list of consumer information needs, information on consumers' preferred information channels and the identification of issues, gaps and opportunities for improving the information currently available to consumers.	Draft outcomes have been discussed with state and territory officials with a view to progressing proposals towards a more transparent VET sector under the National Partnership Agreement on Skills Reform.	Under Ministerial consideration.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Market Solutions Pty Ltd consulted with a broad range of stakeholders as part of the project. This included interviews, focus groups and surveys with students, potential students, employers, VET providers and others. Over 3200 consumers were consulted and around 580 RTOs. State and territory officials were consulted as part of the project.

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CN3284023	Yes	Scott Neil / Melissa McEwen	Skills and Training	RESEARCH CONSULTANCY	4400022401	BATEMAN & GILES PTY LTD	\$81,209.62	Research programs	To bring together existing initiatives relating to the development of occupational standards benchmarking, quality assurance and qualifications referencing activities to establish an Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) integrated referencing framework for skills recognition and mobility to be considered by APEC members.	30.07.2015	31.03.2016	The expected outcomes are: a research report consolidating existing research studies on referencing frameworks globally; a workshop involving APEC economies to discuss the concept and a final report including a concept design and detailed approach for an APEC Integrated Referencing Framework including a draft APEC occupational standards referencing framework.	Yes, it is intended that the occupational standards referencing framework concept will be tabled at the APEC Human Resources Development Working Group (HRDWG) annual meeting in Peru in May 2016.	N/a, this report is not finalised.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	The department established a Project Advisory Group to contribute to the Integrated Referencing Framework concept. The Project Advisory Group consists of representatives from government and industry - both Australian and from overseas. This was complemented by workshop with relevant stakeholders in Manila during September 2015. Further, the draft occupational standards referencing framework will be submitted to APEC for consideration at the annual HRDWG meeting in Peru in 2016.
CN3288467	Yes	David Turvey	Skills and Training	REVIEW OF NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT ON SKILLS	4400022535	ACIL ALLEN CONSULTING PTY LTD	\$403,298.00	Research programs	This is a contract to undertake a review of the National Partnership Agreement on Skills Reform.	24.08.2015	11.12.2015	The contract is for consultancy services to conduct a review of the NP and prepare a report for ministers' consideration.	In line with IGA-FFR's <i>A Short Guide to Reviewing National Partnerships</i> it is a matter for portfolio ministers to consider whether National Partnership Agreement reviews will be published.	Under consideration of Commonwealth and State and Territory Ministers.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	NP reviews are undertaken in collaboration between the Commonwealth and states and territories. ACIL Allen undertook consultations with key stakeholders as part of the review. This review did not call for public submissions.
CN3296187	Yes	Dean Woodgate / Shelly Owen	Skills and Training	VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING (VET) FEE-HELP (HELP FOR FEE PAYING STUDENTS) PROJECT	4400022827	AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL FOR EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH	\$90,309.00	Research programs	To support VET FEE-HELP reforms being implemented through legislative changes to take effect from 1 January 2016, including the requirement for approved VET FEE-HELP providers to meet and publish entry procedures, entry requirements and to assess whether a person wishing to access VET FEE-HELP meets the mandatory entry requirements prior to their enrolling a person in a VET course of study (diploma or above qualification).	15.09.2015	30.10.2015	ACER will: 1. determine a level appropriate for assessment of a level of LLN required to enrol in a higher level VET qualification 2. establish the criteria and associated process for measuring the validity and reliability of an LLN testing instrument 3. develop a mechanism and system for undertaking reviews/audits of LLN testing instruments.	Partially - the criteria and associated processes for measuring the validity and reliability of an LLN testing instrument is expected to be available by the end of 2015. The remaining information is under government consideration.	A decision as to whether these reports will be made public will be made once they are finalised and considered by government.	This process was conducted under the Commonwealth Procurement Rules principles and the successful vendor was selected based on value for money principles.	Working Group established to advise on the implementation of the VET FEE-HELP reforms. Includes representatives from providers, students, industry group reps and consumer law advocates.