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Question:

It has been reported in the Sydney Morning Herald that the Government intends to overhaul Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) “to more aggressively harness indigenous land for economic development”. What does this mean? What changes will be made to IBA? What advice has been sought and/provided regarding the future of IBA?

Answer:

The Australian Government has announced an independent review into Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) and the Indigenous Land Corporation (ILC), which will report in February 2014 and inform Government decisions on any possible future changes to these organisations.