

## **QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(BE14/336) PROGRAMME – 1.2: Visa and Citizenship**

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

Do all universities on the list of 22 provide bachelor degrees or higher?

a. If not, why are these universities are part of the program?

*Answer:*

There are currently 41 universities participating in the streamlined visa processing (SVP) arrangements.

The 22 providers referred to in the question would appear to relate to the non-university providers invited to submit an opt-in application to participate in SVP in November 2014. Of the 22 invited non-university providers, 19 were approved to access SVP following the invitation and assessment process.

All participating SVP providers – the 41 universities and 19 non-university providers – are registered to deliver an SVP eligible course; that is, a course at bachelor, masters or doctoral degree level.