

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
 Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
 Budget Estimates Hearing 2012-13
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: OECD Meetings

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION no: BI-213

1. The answer to question on notice AI-94 (from 2011) details an extensive series of OECD events and meetings overseas to which an officer – or officers – of the Department has travelled. Can an updated list please be provided to add all further OECD events and meetings since that time which at least one officer of the Department has attended?

In respect of the updated, combined listing - Please indicate the titles of the positions for any officer(s) who have attended at least 5 of all of the events noted on the combined listing – and please indicate how many events in total each of those individuals has attended.

2. In a single statement (rather than against each event individually), please indicate, in very specific terms, the practical benefit to the Department – and the Government – of attendance at all of these functions

ANSWER

1. Requested detail is provided below for the following periods:

- **Table 1:** 1 May 2011 to 30 June 2011
- **Table 2:** 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012
- **Table 3:** updated information for the 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 financial years (provided in response to AI-94).
- **Table 4:** Details of positions and officers who attended 5 or more events.

Table 1

| | Event | Location | Cost \$ (GST exclusive) |
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| 2010-11 Financial Year May 2011 to June 2011 | 99 th session of the Committee for Science and Technology Policy – 11-13 October 2011 | Paris | 9,443 |
| | Working Party on Nanotechnology 30 March – 1 April 2011 | Paris | 9,903 |
| | National Experts on Science and Technology Indicators (NESTI) annual working party meeting 22-24 June 2011 | Paris | 11,587 |

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| | OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 15-17 June 2011 | Paris | 31,770 |
| | OECD TIP Scoping Workshop Comparative advantage through smart specialisation 5 May 2011 | Brussels | 10,376 |
| | Meetings of Working Party on Biotechnology 4-6 June 2011 | Paris | 9,522 |
| | Meetings of Working Party on Biotechnology 14-16 November 2011 | Paris | 9,403 |

Table 2

| | Event | Location | Cost \$ (GST exclusive) |
|--|--|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| 2011-12 Financial Year 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012 | Working Party on Globalisation of Industry 25-26 April 2012 | Paris | 7,730 |
| | Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 120 th session 16-17 April 2012, Workshop on SMEs, Entrepreneurship and Growth 18 April 2012 and Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship 41 st session 19- 20 April 2012 | Paris | 9,851 |
| | Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 119 th session 7-8 November 2011 and Working Party on Industry Analysis 9-10 November 2011 | Paris | 11,154 |
| | Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship 40 th session 25-26 October 2011 | Paris | 16,752* |
| | Global Forum on Knowledge Economy 12-13 September 2011 | Paris | 10,161 |
| | OECD Working Party on Shipbuilding 4-11 July 2011 | Paris | 9,959 |
| | OECD Workshop on Transferrable Skills | Paris | 10,966 |

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

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| Training for Researchers: Supporting Carrier Development & Research 28 November 2011 | | |
| RIHR meeting at OECD event 6-27 April 2012 | Paris | 14,287 |
| In a single trip attended: - OECD Committee for S&T Policy (CSTP) meeting on 16-17 April 2012; - Joint CSTP/GSF symposium on 18 April 2012 - Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting on 19 April 2012. | Paris | 13,148* |
| Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting 27-28 October 2011 | Berlin | 16,049* |
| Working Party on Nanotechnology 20 – 23 February 2012 | Paris | 8,661 |
| Working Party on Nanotechnology Symposium and Workshop on Assessing the Economic Value of Nanotechnology 26- 30 March 2012 | Washington | 9,621 |
| OECD second expert meeting on innovation in services, measurement and expert meeting on the measurement of intangible assets 21-23 March 2012 | Paris | 10,068 |
| National Experts on Science and Technology Indicators (NESTI) annual working party meeting 2-4 June 2011 | Paris | 8,929 |
| OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Smart Specialisation workshop 22-25 November 2011 | Seville | 2,794 |
| OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) and Working Party meeting 6-9 December 2011 | Paris | 2,794 |
| OECD – Observatory of Public Sector Innovation Task Force meeting 21-22 Feb 2012 | Paris | 10,684 |
| China-OECD Roundtable on Innovation Policies 18-19 October 2011 | Beijing | 7,140 |
| OECD Technology and Innovation Working Party (TIP) Second Workshop on Smart Specialisation Strategies for Innovation Driven Growth | Paris | 8,499 |

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

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| | 10-11 May 2012 | | |
| | Meetings of Working Party on Biotechnology 6-8 July 2012 | Paris | 9,019 |

Table 3

| | Event | Location | Cost \$ (GST exclusive) |
|-----------------------------------|--|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 2010-11 Financial Year | Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship (WPSMEE) 39th session. Workshop on SME and Entrepreneurship Financing 18-19 Apr 2011 | Paris | 11,385 |
| | Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting 4-5 Apr 2011 | Lisbon | 20,621 |
| | 118th session of Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship (CIIE) 31 Mar – 1 Apr 2011 | Paris | 12,089 |
| | Committee for Scientific and Technological Policy (CSTP) meeting 21-23 Mar 2011 | Paris | 10,283 |
| | OECD Meeting on Green Growth Strategy 8-17 Feb 2011 | Paris | 9,298 |
| | Research Institutions and Human Resources (RIHR) meeting 31 Jan 2011 | Paris | 117.49 |
| | OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 10-17 Dec 2010 | France | 10,025 |
| | WPSMEE 38 th session and 'Bologna+10' High Level meeting 16-18 Nov 2010 | Paris | 9,689 |
| | OECD Working Party on Shipbuilding 2-3 Nov 2010 | Paris | 9,016 |
| | 117th session CIIE 28-29 Oct 2010 | Paris | 11,092 |
| | CSTP meeting 25-27 Oct 2010 | Paris | 12,574 |
| | OECD Workshop on "Building an Efficient Bio-based Economy through Industrial Biotechnology" 17 Oct – 1 Nov 2010 | Edinburgh/St Petersburg | 12,983 |
| | 23rd GSF meeting 11-12 Oct 2010 | Amsterdam | 8,489 |
| | Working Party Nanotechnology Meeting 25 Sep – 5 Oct 2010 | Paris/Berlin | 13,667 |
| | Working Party on Globalisation of Industry meeting 23-24 Sep 2010 | Paris | 10,620 |

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

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| | Meeting of Working Party on Biotechnology meeting 6 Feb 2010 | Paris | 18,847* |
| 2009-10 Financial Year | RIHR meeting 21-22 Jun 2010 | Paris | Costs not available |
| | TIP Working Party meeting 23-25 June 2010 | Paris | 11,452* |
| | 22nd GSF meeting 8-9 Apr 2010 | Vienna | 10,461 |
| | 116th session CIIE 25-26 Mar 2010 | Paris | 11,941 |
| | CeO2 and ZnO Sponsorship Program Meeting (WPMN) 24 March 2010 | London | 4,976* |
| | WPSMEE 37 th session and associated meetings 22-23 Mar 2010 | Paris | Costs reported against 116th session CIIE |
| | CSTP meeting 17-19 Mar 2010 | Paris | 16,004 |
| | Green Growth Strategy Workshop 4-5 Mar 2010 | Seoul | 5,805 |
| | Working Party Workshop on Business Environments for Nanotechnology 19-26 Feb 2010 | Seoul | 7,281 |
| | TIP Working Party meeting 11-18 Dec 2009 | Paris | 13,400 |
| | OECD Working Party on Shipbuilding 3-4 Dec 2009 | Paris | 13,225 |
| | Working Party Nanotechnology Meeting 28 Nov – 5 Dec 2009 | Paris | 11,729 |
| | OECD Global Forum on Environment and EcoInnovation 2-9 Nov 2009 | Paris | 11,996 |
| | 115th session CIIE 29-30 Oct 2009 | Paris | 11,943 |
| | WPSMEE 36 th session and associated meetings 27-28 Oct 2009 | Paris | No cost |
| | Working Party on Globalisation of Industry meeting 27 Oct 2009 | Paris | Costs reported against 115th session CIIE |
| | CSTP meeting 21-23 Oct 2009 | Paris | 10,705 |
| | Working Party meetings on Nanotechnology and Biotechnology 17 Oct – 1 Nov 2009 | Lisbon/Paris | 16,254* |
| | 21st GSF meeting 5-6 Oct 2009 | Krakow | 8,799 |
| | OECD Technology and Innovation Policy Workshop on Demand Side Policies for Innovation | Paris | 13,532 |

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

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| | 11-20 Sep 2009 | | |
| | Sixth World Congress on Industrial Biotechnology & 2 OECD workshops - Policy Implications of Synthetic Biology; and Assessing Sustainability of Bio-based Products 7-27 Jul 2009 | Washington/Montreal | 23,972 |
| | OECD Working Party on Shipbuilding 7-8 Jul 2009 | Paris | 15,704* |
| | TIP Working Party meeting 26 Jun – 5 Jul 2009 | Paris | 15,920* |
| 2008-09 Financial Year | Working Party Nanotech and Biotech Meetings 5-16 Jun 2009 | Paris | 14,091* |
| | RIHR meeting 18-19 May 2009 | Paris | Costs not available |
| | 20th GSF meeting 2-3 Apr 2009 | Paris | 10,989 |
| | 114th session CIIE 2-3 Apr 2009 | Paris | 11,689 |
| | High Level Round Table on the impact of the Global Crisis on SME & Entrepreneurship Financing and Policy Responses 26-27 Mar 2009 | Turin | 11,423 |
| | CSTP meeting 23-25 Mar 2009 | Paris | 11,513 |
| | TIP Working Party meeting 1-8 Dec 2008 | Paris | 13,869 |
| | 113th session CIIE 30-31 Oct 2008 | Paris | No cost |
| | WPSMEE 34 th session and associated meetings 27-29 October 2008 | Paris | No cost |
| | Workshop on 'Public Engagement with Nanotechnology' 27 Oct – 4 Nov 2008 | Delft | 15,991 |
| | CSTP meeting 20-22 Oct 2008 | Istanbul | 12,370 |
| | 19th GSF meeting 9-10 Oct 2008 | Rome | 12,052 |
| | Working Party on Shipbuilding Jul 2008 | Paris | 20,053* |
| 2007-08 Financial Year | WPSMEE 33 rd session and associated meetings 6-7 May 2008 | Kansas City | 12,772 |
| | OECD Sixth Ad Hoc Meeting on Biotechnology Statistics 11-20 May 2008 | Paris | 10,741 |
| | Workshop on Enhancing the Utility and Policy | Bologna | 13,926 |

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

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| | Relevance of Roadmaps of Large Research Infrastructures 10-11 Jun 2008 | | |
| | Working Party on Nanotechnology 20-26 Apr 2008 | Paris | 12,497 |
| | 112th session CIIE 3-4 Apr 2008 | Paris | No cost |
| | CSTP meeting 31 Mar – 1 Apr 2008 | Paris | Approx \$11,000** |
| | 18th GSF meeting 10-11 Mar 2008 | Paris | Approx \$11,000** |
| | TIP Working Party meeting 7-16 Dec 2007 | Paris | 13,993 |
| | 111th session CIIE 15-16 Nov 2007 | Paris | No cost |
| | WPSMEE 32 nd session and associated meetings 13-14 Nov 2007 | Paris | No cost |
| | OECD Working Party on Nanotechnology 9-19 Nov 2007 | Paris | 10,839 |
| | CSTP meeting 24-26 Oct 2007 | Paris | Approx \$11,000** |
| | 17th GSF meeting 1-2 Oct 2007 | Istanbul | Approx \$11,000** |
| | International Tax Dialogue on SME Taxation October 2007 | Buenos Aires | 7,342 |

** Exact figures are not able to be provided as transactions were processed prior to MoG changes.

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

Table 4

| Position | Number of Meetings | Meetings |
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| Head of Division, Science and Infrastructure Division | 6 | 99 th session of the Committee for Science and Technology Policy – 11-13 October 2011 |
| | | Single trip attended: - OECD Committee for S&T Policy (CSTP) meeting on 16-17 April 2012; - Joint CSTP/GSF symposium on 18 April 2012 - Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting on 19 April 2012 |
| | | Committee for Scientific and Technological Policy (CSTP) meeting 21-23 Mar 2011 |
| | | CSTP meeting 25-27 Oct 2010 |
| | | CSTP meeting 17-19 Mar 2010 |
| | | 17th GSF meeting 1-2 Oct 2007 |
| General Manager, Innovation Policy Branch, Innovation Division | 7 | OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 15-17 June 2011 |
| | | OECD – Observatory on Public Sector Innovation Task Force meeting 21-22 Feb 2012 |
| | | TIP Working Party meeting 26-28 May 2010 |
| | | TIP Working Party meeting 11-18 Dec 2009 |
| | | TIP Working Party meeting 26 Jun – 5 Jul 2009 |
| | | TIP Working Party meeting 1-8 Dec 2008 |
| | | OECD - TIP Working Party meeting 7-16 Dec 2007 |
| General Manager, Industry Policy and Economic Analysis Branch, Industry and Small Business Policy Division | 10 | Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 120 th session, Workshop on SMEs 16-17 April 2012, Entrepreneurship and Growth 18 April 2012 and Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship 41 st session 19- 20 April 2012 |
| | | Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 119 th session 7-8 November 2011 and Working Party on Industry Analysis 9-10 November 2011 |
| | | Global Forum on Knowledge Economy 12-13 September 2011 |
| | | WPSMEE 38 th session and ‘Bologna+10’ High Level meeting. 15-18 Nov 2010 |
| | | 117 th session CIIE 28–29 Oct 2010 |
| | | Working Party on Globalisation of Industry meeting 23-24 Sep 2010 |
| | | 116 th session CIIE 25-26 Mar 2010 |
| | | WPSMEE 37 th session and associated |

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| | | meetings 22-23 Mar 2010 |
| | | Working Party on Globalisation of Industry meeting 27 Oct 2009 and 115th session CIIE 29-30 Oct 2009 |
| | | 114th session CIIE 2-3 Apr 2009 |
| General Manager, Research Infrastructure Branch, Science and Infrastructure Division | 9 | Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting 27-28 October 2011 |
| | | GSF meeting 4-5 Apr 2011 |
| | | 23rd GSF meeting 11-12 Oct 2010 |
| | | 22nd GSF meeting 8-9 Apr 2010 |
| | | 21st GSF meeting 5-6 Oct 2009 |
| | | 20th GSF meeting 2-3 Apr 2009 |
| | | 19th GSF meeting 9-10 Oct 2008 |
| | | Workshop on Enhancing the Utility and Policy Relevance of Roadmaps of Large Research Infrastructures 10-11 Jun 2008 |
| | | 18th GSF meeting 10-11 Mar 2008 |

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| Manager, Innovation Policy Branch, Innovation Division | 6 | OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 15-17 June 2011 |
| | | OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Smart Specialisation workshop 22-25 November 2011 |
| | | OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) and Working Party meeting 6-9 December 2011 |
| | | China-OECD Roundtable on Innovation Policies 18-19 October 2011 |
| | | OECD Technology and Innovation Working Party (TIP) Second Workshop on Smart Specialisation Strategies for Innovation Driven Growth 10-11 May 2012 |
| | | OECD Meeting on Green Growth Strategy 8-17 Feb 2011 |
| | | OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 10-17 Dec 2010 |
| Counsellor, Brussels Office, Australian Embassy, Brussels | 6 | Research Institutions and Human Resources (RIHR) meeting 31 Jan 2011 |
| | | RIHR meeting 21-22 Jun 2010 |
| | | WPSMEE 36 th session and associated |

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| | | meetings 27-28 Oct 2009 |
| | | RIHR meeting 18-19 May 2009 |
| | | 113th session CIIE 30-31 Oct 2008 |
| | | Workshop on Enhancing the Utility and Policy Relevance of Roadmaps of Large Research Infrastructures 10-11 Jun 2008 |

2. The department is actively engaged with the OECD across a range of science, technology and innovation (STI) policy areas, including enabling technologies and research infrastructure, and institutions. In 2010–11, the department was involved in 18 multilateral research projects on topics of direct interest to the portfolio’s STI interests. Involvement in these projects included providing data, policy advice, feedback and expert representation to the OECD. New work was initiated on examining the exchange of various types of knowledge between parties, and on understanding the economic value of research and development and organisational know-how. The department continues to play a leading role in the OECD’s work to develop new approaches and governance mechanisms for multilateral cooperation in STI to address global challenges.

