

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: Consultancies

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: BI-186

1. How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.

ANSWER

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION (DIISRTE)

1. Details of relevant procurement contracts undertaken in the 2011-12 financial year to date are available at www.tenders.gov.au.
2. Planned procurements for the department and portfolio agencies are included in the 2011-12 Annual Procurement Plan (APP) available at www.tenders.gov.au.

AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANISATION (ANSTO)

1. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.
2. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.

AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL (ARC)

1. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.
2. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.

TERTIARY EDUCATION QUALITY AND STANDARDS AGENCY (TEQSA)

1. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.
2. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (AIMS)

1. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.
2. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.

IP AUSTRALIA

1. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.
2. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.

AUSTRALIAN SKILLS QUALITY AUTHORITY (ASQA)

1. Refer DIISRTE's response provided above.
2. As ASQA was established on 1 July 2011 and not all planned procurements for the agency are included in the 2011-12 Annual Procurement Plan (APP), available at www.tenders.gov.au.

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDIES (AIATSIS)

1. Details of consultancies undertaken this financial year to date are provided in the following table:

Consultant	Subject matter	Start Date	End Date	Procurement Method	Cost \$ (GST Exclusive)
Deborah May	Leadership development for Executive Board of Management	07/2011	09/2011	Select tender	20,800
Anthropos Consulting Services	Workshop Facilitation for an RNTBC Workshop	11/08/2011	04/09/2011	Select tender	6,179
Zeitgeist Media Group	Media campaign for two publications	03/08/2011	30/11/2011	Select tender	6,000
GrayMorr Pty Ltd	Develop metrics for AIATSIS Collection programs	08/2011	09/2011	Select tender	13,486
Paul Mitchell t/a EthnoScapes	Workshop Facilitation for Weeds and Native Title Workshop	24/10/2011	10/11/2011	Select tender	4,300
Polly Hemming	Provision of scoping, research, project management, writing and pictorial research services for update of Little Red Yellow Black website	01/02/12	02/07/2012	Select tender	5,000
Moreton Consulting	Workshop Facilitation of the "One AIATSIS" priority initiatives workshop	13/02/2012	30/09/2012	Select tender	90,000
Effective People Pty Ltd	Review the proposed One AIATSIS staffing structure	02/2012	05/2012	Select tender	9,940
Effective People Pty Ltd	Report on an appropriate ICT program model for AIATSIS	02/2012	05/2012	Select tender	9,940

Karen Deighton-Smith	To provide scoping, research, project management and content provision for Aboriginal Sydney phone application	18/05/2012	30/06/2012	Select tender	5,000
DMCPRMedia	Media campaign for a publication	18/06/2012	30/09/2012	Select tender	9,250
Appiphany Pty Ltd	Design and development of a phone application to complement the ASP title Aboriginal Sydney	01/06/12	30/06/2012	Select tender	13,684
Gilimbaa	Design work for the National Indigenous Languages Survey	11/05/2012	10/06/2012	Select tender	6,520
KPMG	Provide advisory services on the development of a cultural competency framework for the Institute	22/05/2012	30/06/2012	Select tender	29,592
TOTAL					229,691

- Consistent with the requirements of all Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act agencies, AIATSIS publishes all planned procurements over \$400k in its Annual Procurement Plan (APP) available at www.tenders.gov.au. Prior to the engagement of consultants AIATSIS will attempt to seek service internally however in those circumstances where we are unable to meet our requirements from internal sources AIATSIS will then engage with the external marketplace.

COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION (CSIRO)

- Details of consultancies undertaken this financial year to date are provided in the following table:

Consultant	Subject matter	Start date	End date	Procurement Method	Estimated Total Life Cost \$ (GST Inclusive)
David Campbell & Denise Ironfield, ACIL Tasman Pty Ltd	Provide extensive specialist experience in the national Biosecurity Environment	22/8/2011	30/9/2011	Direct Source	130,938
21 Cows Pty Ltd, Lisa McIntyre	Provide commercial advice to CSIRO through participation as an external member on CSIRO's Commercial Executive Committee (ComEx)	01/7/2011	30/6/2012	Open Tender	49,500
Apollan Investments Pty Ltd, Martin Greenberg	Provide commercial advice to CSIRO through participation as an external member on CSIRO's Commercial Executive Committee (ComEx)	01/7/2011	30/6/2012	Open Tender	49,500
Michael Samuel Hirshorn	Provide commercial advice to CSIRO through participation as an external member on CSIRO's Commercial Executive Committee (ComEx)	01/7/2011	30/6/2012	Open Tender	3,300
Catch Ltd	Undertake a review (health check) of Confluence and JIRA implementation	03/10/2011	21/10/2011	Direct Source	13,612

Consultant	Subject matter	Start date	End date	Procurement Method	Estimated Total Life Cost \$ (GST Inclusive)
Wayne Hammermeister	Assist the CSIRO FNS Director Business Development and the FNS Executive by contributing to the development of the CSIRO Global Dairy Strategy development	01/11/2011	01/03/2012	Direct Source	65,450
Bill Ross and Associates t/a RPL Consulting	Investigate and develop a CSIRO Property Strategy	11/11/2011	01/03/2011	Direct Source	265,404
Consulting and Implementation Services (CIS)	Assist in the development of the Geothermal CRC grant application	01/10/2011	01/07/2012	Direct Source	187,000
David Brockway, Energy Technology Associates Pty Ltd	The Consultant will provide extensive specialist experience in providing advice in the area of coal technologies	01/08/2011	31/07/2012	Direct Source	93,500
Futureye	The consultant will prepare a business case for a social license to undertake GM research	01/04/2012	01/06/2012	Direct Source	86,900
TOTAL					945,104

2. Consistent with the requirements of all Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act agencies, CSIRO publishes all planned procurements over \$400k in its Annual Procurement Plan (APP). Prior to the engagement of consultants CSIRO will attempt to seek the relevant service internally however in those circumstances where we are unable to meet our requirements from internal sources CSIRO will then engage with the external marketplace. Based upon the above circumstances consultancies are generally not included in CSIRO's APP and as such we have no consultancies published in our APP for the current calendar year.