

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Outcome: CSIRO
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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

Flagship Program

Can CSIRO clarify the responses from Mr Whelan and Dr Sandland in relation to diverting Divisional funds to support Flagship activities? Is Mr Whelan's statement "We have not redirected money from Divisions" correct?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Flagship Program

Yes. CSIRO allocates its resources to output based themes across its research portfolio through the Science Investment Process (SIP). Approximately 32% of the investments made through SIP relate to Flagship themes. The resources associated with all theme investments are used to fund the research capability maintained within CSIRO Divisions. All SIP related research resources are therefore directed through output based themes into CSIRO Divisions.