

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.3 – Assistance for skills and career development

DEST Question No. E320_05

Senator Crossin provided in writing.

Question:

Will these two stakeholders (industry and unions) be involved in the proposed Institute for Trade Skill Excellence?

What role if any will DEST have with the Institute for Trade Excellence?

Answer:

Institute for Trade Skill Excellence

Yes. ANTA recently established ten Industry Skills Councils which comprise industry and unions working in partnership to address the vocational education and training needs of their respective industries. The announcement of the Institute clearly identified the Industry Skills Councils as having an important role to play in this initiative.

The proposal for the Institute is currently being developed in detail. DEST will have responsibility for establishing and maintaining the funding agreement that will underpin the Institute, and determining performance measures for the Institute.