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Senator Wong asked on 2 November 2005, EWRE Hansard page 47.

Question:

Senator Wong – What are the projections for external revenue for the flagships over the current and next two financial years?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Flagship external revenue projections

The budgeted external revenue figure for 2005-6 as at the beginning of the financial year was \$37.4m. Taking account of a range of factors, a more realistic projection is of the order of \$30m. If achieved, this figure would represent a doubling of the previous financial year's result.

CSIRO expects that any shortfall in external revenue will be more than offset by external inkind contributions to the Flagships. Current forecasts indicate that the Flagship Directors are anticipating in-kind contributions of more than \$15m in 2005-6.

Budgets for the next two financial years are currently being considered in the initial round of our Science Investment Process, and projections are therefore not yet available.