

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 3

Output Group: 3.2 - Assistance for science collaboration and innovation

DEST Question No. E777_06

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Question:

Research Quality Framework (RQF)

How much money has been spent on the RQF to date?

Answer:

Research Quality Framework (RQF)

Staffing costs and costs associated with the operation of the Expert Advisory Group and consultations on the RQF are set out below:

Description	2004/05 16 August 2004 to 30 June 2005	2005/06 1 July 2005 to 31 October 2005	Total 2004/05 and 2005/06
Costs	\$	\$	\$
Staffing costs	426,833	192,000	618,833
Printing & Advertising of Forum	28,178	4,377	32,555
Expert Advisory Group - Fees/Travel	98,662	58,503	157,165
Consultants/Contractors - Fees/Travel	147,530	14,120	161,650
Venue Hire & Official Hospitality	22,672	10,841	33,514
DEST Travel & Incidentals	30,000	34,007	64,008
Total Costs	753,876	313,849	1,067,725

In total, from 16 August 2004 to 31 October 2005, \$1,067,725 has been expended on the RQF.