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ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Topic: National Centre for Excellence for Civil Society

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Senator Moore asked:

Considered the implications of a new centre on existing providers of not for profit research such as ACOSS?

Answer:

Yes. The Civil Society National Centre for Excellence (NCE) will support the research work of organisations such as ACOSS and any others that conduct research in the civil society or not-for-profit area.

The NCE will aggregate existing services; facilitate networks and collaboration; and act as a champion for civil society broadly. This may involve facilitating collaboration between research organisations and individual researchers; and communicating and disseminating the results of research conducted by others.