

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: International Bioeconomy Forum (IBF)

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Carr

QUESTION No.: BI-105

1. Has Australia been invited to participate in the International Bioeconomy Forum (IBF)?
2. Has that invitation been accepted?
3. Is this invitation subject to deliberations by the Department or Government?

ANSWER

1. The International Bioeconomy Forum (IBF) is still under development. Australia has participated as an observer in early planning for the IBF.
2. As above.
3. The question of Australian Government attendance will be considered when there is further information about the structure and operation of the IBF and the plenary meeting is confirmed.