AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

TOPIC: Programme Funding - Research

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Please list all the program or funding cuts in the 2014 15 Federal Budget that affected programs with a primary or secondary goal of: increasing collaboration between researchers and end-users; commercialising the outcomes of research; or supporting entrepreneurs and entrepreneurship.
For each program, provide the savings achieved across the current forward estimates period

ANSWER

Savings from the Commercialisation Australia, Innovation Investment Fund, Enterprise Connect, Industry Innovation Precincts and Textile, Clothing and Footwear Small Business and Building Innovative Capability programmes were announced in the 2014-15 Budget. These were announced as part of the Entrepreneurs' Infrastructure Programme measure, which will better target collaboration, commercialisation and facilitation of access to business management advice. The net savings from all programmes affected by this measure are outlined on pages 164-5 of Budget Paper No 2.

Savings from the Plantation Management Innovation and Investment Fund were also announced in the Budget. Details can be found on page 170 of Budget Paper No. 2.

Please refer to page 18 of Budget Paper No. 2 for details of changes to the Research and Development Tax Incentive, as these are reported by the Treasury portfolio.