

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question:

1. How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date since the change of government in September 2013? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, the method of procurement and the total value for all consultancies.
2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan on the Austender website? If not, why? In each case provide the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement and the name of the consultant if known.

Answer:

1. Details of consultancies valued at or above \$10,000 undertaken since September 2013 are published on AusTender (www.tenders.gov.au). Consultants engaged by the Department for values below this threshold are not centrally recorded.
2. Planned consultancies are listed in the 2013-14 Annual Procurement Plan. The Department's Annual Procurement Plan is published on AusTender (www.tenders.gov.au).