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Question:

Can you describe the work done so far on consultations with the private sector and the community on identifying value-adding public data sets not currently on data.gov.au?

Answer:

On 11 November 2013, the Department of Finance launched a data request site (datagovau.ideascale.com) using the *ideascale* ideation platform. Finance published the launch on the Australian Government Chief Technology Officer's blog (http://www.finance.gov.au/blog/2013/11/11/why-so-low-datagovau/) and also on Twitter.

As at 11 December 2013, there have been 33 requests for specific datasets. Finance is working with the relevant agencies to evaluate the possibility of making the requested datasets available on data.gov.au.