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Question:

What is the scope of the internal project in the department to "redesign completely and make more transparent the funding that is going out" (page 24 of Hansard)?
a.   Does it include the website interface as well as an examination of how funding is reported and categorised?
b.   What is the timeline for this project?

Answer:

The project regarding the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet's (PM&C) grant publishing processes was initiated to both improve the usability and accessibility of our published grant data.

PM&C has completed the implementation of changes to the grants reporting website which include:

- Simplified functionality for access to grant information by improved search and export functions.

- Separating grants reporting into distinct categories to better represent the source of the grants:
  - IAS Grant Reporting (excluding the IAS 2014 Grant Round)
  - IAS 2014 Grant Round Reporting
  - Indigenous Affairs Grant Reporting (excluding all IAS Grants).