

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 OCTOBER 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(SE14/211) PROGRAMME – Self Initiated Work

Senator Ludwig (Written) asked:

Does the department have a program for staff to engage in self-initiated work (projects, plans etc. that are devised by staff without being directed by the minister's office or department management)?

- a. Please list all ongoing projects. For each, please detail:
- b. When did the project commence?
- c. When is it expected to conclude?
- d. What will the total cost of the project be?
- e. Where did the money for the project come from?
- f. Where is the project based?

Answer:

The department has an existing framework to support the development and implementation of new ideas and initiatives. The Innovation strategy encourages all staff to suggest improvements in policy design, service delivery and enabling processes. These initiatives are not recorded centrally and to provide the details requested would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.