

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
 Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
 Budget Estimates Hearing 2012-13
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: OECD Meetings

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION no: BI-213

1. The answer to question on notice AI-94 (from 2011) details an extensive series of OECD events and meetings overseas to which an officer – or officers – of the Department has travelled. Can an updated list please be provided to add all further OECD events and meetings since that time which at least one officer of the Department has attended?

In respect of the updated, combined listing - Please indicate the titles of the positions for any officer(s) who have attended at least 5 of all of the events noted on the combined listing – and please indicate how many events in total each of those individuals has attended.

2. In a single statement (rather than against each event individually), please indicate, in very specific terms, the practical benefit to the Department – and the Government – of attendance at all of these functions

ANSWER

1. Requested detail is provided below for the following periods:
 - **Table 1:** 1 May 2011 to 30 June 2011
 - **Table 2:** 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012
 - **Table 3:** updated information for the 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 financial years (provided in response to AI-94).
 - **Table 4:** Details of positions and officers who attended 5 or more events.

Table 1

	Event	Location	Cost \$ (GST exclusive)
2010-11 Financial Year May 2011 to June 2011	99 th session of the Committee for Science and Technology Policy – 11-13 October 2011	Paris	9,443
	Working Party on Nanotechnology 30 March – 1 April 2011	Paris	9,903
	National Experts on Science and Technology Indicators (NESTI) annual working party meeting 22-24 June 2011	Paris	11,587

	OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 15-17 June 2011	Paris	31,770
	OECD TIP Scoping Workshop Comparative advantage through smart specialisation 5 May 2011	Brussels	10,376
	Meetings of Working Party on Biotechnology 4-6 June 2011	Paris	9,522
	Meetings of Working Party on Biotechnology 14-16 November 2011	Paris	9,403

Table 2

	Event	Location	Cost \$ (GST exclusive)
2011-12 Financial Year 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012	Working Party on Globalisation of Industry 25-26 April 2012	Paris	7,730
	Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 120 th session 16-18 April 2012 and Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship 41 st session 19- 20 April 2012	Paris	9,851
	Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 119 th session 7-9 November 2011 and Working Party on Industry Analysis 10 November 2011	Paris	11,154
	Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship 40 th session 25-26 October 2011	Paris	16,752*
	Global Forum on Knowledge Economy 12-13 September 2011	Paris	10,161
	OECD Working Party on Shipbuilding 4-11 July 2011	Paris	9,959
	OECD Workshop on Transferrable Skills Training for Researchers: Supporting Carrier Development & Research 28 November 2011	Paris	10,966

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

RIHR meeting at OECD event 6-27 April 2012	Paris	14,287
In a single trip attended: - OECD Committee for S&T Policy (CSTP) meeting on 16-17 April 2012; - Joint CSTP/GSF symposium on 18 April 2012 - Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting on 19 April 2012.	Paris	13,148*
Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting 27-28 October 2011	Berlin	16,049*
Working Party on Nanotechnology 20 – 23 February 2012	Paris	8,661
Working Party on Nanotechnology Symposium and Workshop on Assessing the Economic Value of Nanotechnology 26- 30 March 2012	Washington	9,621
OECD second expert meeting on innovation in services, measurement and expert meeting on the measurement of intangible assets 21-23 March 2012	Paris	10,068
National Experts on Science and Technology Indicators (NESTI) annual working party meeting 2-4 June 2011	Paris	8,929
OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Smart Specialisation workshop 22-25 November 2011	Seville	2,794
OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) and Working Party meeting 6-9 December 2011	Paris	2,794
OECD – Observatory of Public Sector Innovation Task Force meeting 21-22 Feb 2012	Paris	10,684
China-OECD Roundtable on Innovation Policies 18-19 October 2011	Beijing	7,140
OECD Technology and Innovation Working Party (TIP) Second Workshop on Smart Specialisation Strategies for Innovation Driven Growth 10-11 May 2012	Paris	8,499
Meetings of Working Party on Biotechnology 6-8 July 2012	Paris	9,019

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

Table 3

	Event	Location	Cost \$ (GST exclusive)
2010-11 Financial Year	Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship (WPSMEE) 39th session. Workshop on SME and Entrepreneurship Financing 18-19 Apr 2011	Paris	11,385
	Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting 4-5 Apr 2011	Lisbon	20,621
	118th session of Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship (CIIE) 31 Mar – 1 Apr 2011	Paris	12,089
	Committee for Scientific and Technological Policy (CSTP) meeting 21-23 Mar 2011	Paris	10,283
	OECD Meeting on Green Growth Strategy 8-17 Feb 2011	Paris	9,298
	Research Institutions and Human Resources (RIHR) meeting 31 Jan 2011	Paris	117.49
	OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 10-17 Dec 2010	France	10,025
	WPSMEE 38 th session and 'Bologna+10' High Level meeting. 15-18 Nov 2010	Paris	9,689
	OECD Working Party on Shipbuilding 2-3 Nov 2010	Paris	9,016
	117th session CIIE 28-29 Oct 2010	Paris	11,092
	CSTP meeting 25-27 Oct 2010	Paris	12,574
	OECD Workshop on "Building an Efficient Bio-based Economy through Industrial Biotechnology" 17 Oct – 1 Nov 2010	Edinburgh/St Petersburg	12,983
	23rd GSF meeting 11-12 Oct 2010	Amsterdam	8,489
	Working Party Nanotechnology Meeting 25 Sep – 5 Oct 2010	Paris/Berlin	13,667
	Working Party on Globalisation of Industry meeting 23-24 Sep 2010	Paris	10,620
	Meeting of Working Party on Biotechnology meeting 6 Feb 2010	Paris	18,847*

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

2009-10 Financial Year	RIHR meeting 21-22 Jun 2010	Paris	Costs not available
	TIP Working Party meeting 23-25 June 2010	Paris	11,452*
	22nd GSF meeting 8-9 Apr 2010	Vienna	10,461
	116th session CIIE 25-26 Mar 2010	Paris	11,941
	CeO2 and ZnO Sponsorship Program Meeting (WPMN) 24 March 2010	London	4,976*
	WPSMEE 37 th session and associated meetings 22-23 Mar 2010	Paris	Costs reported against 116th session CIIE
	CSTP meeting 17-19 Mar 2010	Paris	16,004
	Green Growth Strategy Workshop 4-5 Mar 2010	Seoul	5,805
	Working Party Workshop on Business Environments for Nanotechnology 19-26 Feb 2010	Seoul	7,281
	TIP Working Party meeting 11-18 Dec 2009	Paris	13,400
	OECD Working Party on Shipbuilding 3-4 Dec 2009	Paris	13,225
	Working Party Nanotechnology Meeting 28 Nov – 5 Dec 2009	Paris	11,729
	OECD Global Forum on Environment and EcoInnovation 2-9 Nov 2009	Paris	11,996
	115th session CIIE 29-30 Oct 2009	Paris	11,943
	WPSMEE 36 th session and associated meetings 27-28 Oct 2009	Paris	No cost
	Working Party on Globalisation of Industry meeting 27 Oct 2009	Paris	Costs reported against 115th session CIIE
	CSTP meeting 21-23 Oct 2009	Paris	10,705
	Working Party meetings on Nanotechnology and Biotechnology 17 Oct – 1 Nov 2009	Lisbon/Paris	16,254*
	21st GSF meeting 5-6 Oct 2009	Krakow	8,799
	OECD Technology and Innovation Policy Workshop on Demand Side Policies for Innovation 11-20 Sep 2009	Paris	13,532
Sixth World Congress on Industrial Biotechnology & 2 OECD workshops -	Washington/Montreal	23,972	

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

	Policy Implications of Synthetic Biology; and Assessing Sustainability of Bio-based Products 7-27 Jul 2009		
	OECD Working Party on Shipbuilding 7-8 Jul 2009	Paris	15,704*
	TIP Working Party meeting 26 Jun – 5 Jul 2009	Paris	15,920*
2008-09 Financial Year	Working Party Nanotech and Biotech Meetings 5-16 Jun 2009	Paris	14,091*
	RIHR meeting 18-19 May 2009	Paris	Costs not available
	20th GSF meeting 2-3 Apr 2009	Paris	10,989
	114th session CIIE 2-3 Apr 2009	Paris	11,689
	High Level Round Table on the impact of the Global Crisis on SME & Entrepreneurship Financing and Policy Responses 26-27 Mar 2009	Turin	11,423
	CSTP meeting 23-25 Mar 2009	Paris	11,513
	TIP Working Party meeting 1-8 Dec 2008	Paris	13,869
	113th session CIIE 30-31 Oct 2008	Paris	No cost
	WPSMEE 34 th session and associated meetings 27-29 October 2008	Paris	No cost
	Workshop on 'Public Engagement with Nanotechnology' 27 Oct – 4 Nov 2008	Delft	15,991
	CSTP meeting 20-22 Oct 2008	Istanbul	12,370
	19th GSF meeting 9-10 Oct 2008	Rome	12,052
	Working Party on Shipbuilding Jul 2008	Paris	20,053*
2007-08 Financial Year	WPSMEE 33 rd session and associated meetings 6-7 May 2008	Kansas City	12,772
	OECD Sixth Ad Hoc Meeting on Biotechnology Statistics 11-20 May 2008	Paris	10,741
	Workshop on Enhancing the Utility and Policy Relevance of Roadmaps of Large Research Infrastructures 10-11 Jun 2008	Bologna	13,926

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

Working Party on Nanotechnology 20-26 Apr 2008	Paris	12,497
112th session CIIE 3-4 Apr 2008	Paris	No cost
CSTP meeting 31 Mar – 1 Apr 2008	Paris	Approx \$11,000**
18th GSF meeting 10-11 Mar 2008	Paris	Approx \$11,000**
TIP Working Party meeting 7-16 Dec 2007	Paris	13,993
111th session CIIE 15-16 Nov 2007	Paris	No cost
WPSMEE 32 nd session and associated meetings 13-14 Nov 2007	Paris	No cost
OECD Working Party on Nanotechnology 9-19 Nov 2007	Paris	10,839
CSTP meeting 24-26 Oct 2007	Paris	Approx \$11,000**
17th GSF meeting 1-2 Oct 2007	Istanbul	Approx \$11,000**
International Tax Dialogue on SME Taxation October 2007	Buenos Aires	7,342

** Exact figures are not able to be provided as transactions were processed prior to MoG changes.

*Travel involved other non-OECD meetings.

Table 4

Position	Number of Meetings	Meetings
Head of Division, Science and Infrastructure Division	6	99 th session of the Committee for Science and Technology Policy – 11-13 October 2011
		Single trip attended: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OECD Committee for S&T Policy (CSTP) meeting on 16-17 April 2012; - Joint CSTP/GSF symposium on 18 April 2012 - Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting on 19 April 2012
		Committee for Scientific and Technological Policy (CSTP) meeting 21-23 Mar 2011
		CSTP meeting 25-27 Oct 2010
		CSTP meeting 17-19 Mar 2010
		17th GSF meeting 1-2 Oct 2007
General Manager, Innovation Policy Branch, Innovation Division	7	OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 15-17 June 2011
		OECD – Observatory on Public Sector Innovation Task Force meeting 21-22 Feb 2012
		TIP Working Party meeting 26-28 May 2010
		TIP Working Party meeting 11-18 Dec 2009
		TIP Working Party meeting 26 Jun – 5 Jul 2009
		TIP Working Party meeting 1-8 Dec 2008
		OECD - TIP Working Party meeting 7-16 Dec 2007
General Manager, Industry Policy and Economic Analysis Branch, Industry and Small Business Policy Division	12	Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 120 th session 16-18 April 2012 and Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship 41 st session 19- 20 April 2012
		Committee on Industry, Innovation and Entrepreneurship 119 th session 7-9 November 2011 and Working Party on Industry Analysis 10 November 2011
		Global Forum on Knowledge Economy 12-13 September 2011
		WPSMEE 38 th session and ‘Bologna+10’ High Level meeting. 15-18 Nov 2010
		117th session CIIE 28–29 Oct 2010
		Working Party on Globalisation of Industry meeting 23-24 Sep 2010
		116th session CIIE 25-26 Mar 2010
		WPSMEE 37 th session and associated meetings 22-23 Mar 2010

		115th session CIIE 29-30 Oct 2009
		Working Party on Globalisation of Industry meeting 27 Oct 2009
		114th session CIIE 2-3 Apr 2009
		112th session CIIE 3-4 Apr 2008
General Manager, Research Infrastructure Branch, Science and Infrastructure Division	9	Global Science Forum (GSF) meeting 27-28 October 2011
		GSF meeting 4-5 Apr 2011
		23rd GSF meeting 11-12 Oct 2010
		22nd GSF meeting 8-9 Apr 2010
		21st GSF meeting 5-6 Oct 2009
		20th GSF meeting 2-3 Apr 2009
		19th GSF meeting 9-10 Oct 2008
		Workshop on Enhancing the Utility and Policy Relevance of Roadmaps of Large Research Infrastructures 10-11 Jun 2008
		18th GSF meeting 10-11 Mar 2008

Manager, Innovation Policy Branch, Innovation Division	6	OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 15-17 June 2011
		OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Smart Specialisation workshop 22-25 November 2011
		OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) and Working Party meeting 6-9 December 2011
		China-OECD Roundtable on Innovation Policies 18-19 October 2011
		OECD Technology and Innovation Working Party (TIP) Second Workshop on Smart Specialisation Strategies for Innovation Driven Growth 10-11 May 2012
		OECD Meeting on Green Growth Strategy 8-17 Feb 2011
		OECD - Technology & Innovation Policy (TIP) Working Party meeting 10-17 Dec 2010
		Counsellor, Brussels Office, Australian Embassy, Brussels
		RIHR meeting 21-22 Jun 2010

		WPSMEE 36 th session and associated meetings 27-28 Oct 2009
		RIHR meeting 18-19 May 2009
		113th session CIIE 30-31 Oct 2008
		Workshop on Enhancing the Utility and Policy Relevance of Roadmaps of Large Research Infrastructures 10-11 Jun 2008

2. The department is actively engaged with the OECD across a range of science, technology and innovation (STI) policy areas, including enabling technologies and research infrastructure, and institutions. In 2010–11, the department was involved in 18 multilateral research projects on topics of direct interest to the portfolio's STI interests. Involvement in these projects included providing data, policy advice, feedback and expert representation to the OECD. New work was initiated on examining the exchange of various types of knowledge between parties, and on understanding the economic value of research and development and organisational know-how. The department continues to play a leading role in the OECD's work to develop new approaches and governance mechanisms for multilateral cooperation in STI to address global challenges.