

AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY AND SKILLS COMMITTEE

The Australian Industry and Skills Committee (AISC) approves nationally recognised training packages for implementation in the VET system and also provides advice to Commonwealth and State Industry and Skills Ministers on the implementation of national VET policies.

QUICK FACTS

- The AISC was established in 2015
- The AISC draws on advice from its network of over 60 Industry Reference Committees (IRCs)
- Skills Service Organisations (SSOs) are independent, professional service organisations that support IRCs in their work developing and reviewing training packages
- There are six SSOs funded by the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.

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The AISC was established by the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Industry and Skills Council (CISC) to give industry a formal role in approving VET training packages.

Membership of the AISC includes industry leaders nominated by Commonwealth and state and territory ministers, a peak body representative (rotating between the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Business Council of Australia and the Australian Industry Group), and two ex-officio members (senior government officials).

The AISC approves training packages for implementation, which are then endorsed by CISC. The AISC is supported by a secretariat within the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.

INDUSTRY REFERENCE COMMITTEES

The AISC draws on advice from its network of more than 60 Industry Reference Committees (IRCs). The IRCs are made up of people with experience, skills and knowledge of their particular industry sector and are responsible for developing training packages that meet the needs of Australian Industry.

To make sure industry's voice is heard, IRCs gather information on the challenges, trends and training requirements within their specific industry sector. This information is subsequently used to develop and review training packages, which ensures the Australian VET system is providing industry with the qualifications, knowledge and skills it needs.

SKILLS SERVICE ORGANISATIONS

SSOs are independent, professional service organisations that support IRCs in their work developing and reviewing training packages. The Australian Government funds the following SSOs:

- Artibus Innovation
- Australian Industry Standards
- IBSA Manufacturing
- PWC's Skills for Australia
- Skills Impact
- Skills IQ.

SSOs provide this supporting role while remaining independent from industry and the training sector, and each SSO provides support services to several IRCs.

SSOs are also a key access point for stakeholders within the VET system who want to play a part in the development of training packages.

KEY WEBSITES

- Australian Industry and Skills Committee
<https://www.aisc.net.au/>
- Artibus Innovation
<http://www.artibus.com.au/>
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