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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.

AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY AND SKILLS COMMITTEE

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 Commonwealth and State Industry and Skills Ministers. 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/>
- Australian Industry Standards
<http://www.australianindustrystandards.org.au/>
- IBSA Manufacturing
<https://www.ibsa.org.au/>
- PWC's Skills for Australia
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WHAT IS THE AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY AND SKILLS COMMITTEE (AISC)?

The AISC is a committee of industry leaders that approves nationally recognised training packages for implementation in the VET system.

It provides a leadership role and gives industry a formal voice in the Australian VET system. It also provides advice to Commonwealth, and State and Territory Governments on the training needs of industry.

WHAT ARE INDUSTRY REFERENCE COMMITTEES (IRCS)?

IRCs review and develop training packages for the VET system. They are made up of people with close links to industry, and they advise the Australian Industry and Skills Committee (AISC) on the skill needs of their industry sectors.

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WHAT ARE THE STANDARDS FOR TRAINING PACKAGES?

These are used to guide the design of training packages that are approved for implementation by the Australian Industry Skills Council (AISC). They ensure training packages are of a high quality and meet the workforce development needs of industry, enterprises and individuals.

WHAT ARE THE STANDARDS FOR VET ACCREDITED COURSES 2012?

These are used to guide the design of accredited courses that are regulated by the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA). They specify the requirements that must be met by developers who submit courses for accreditation to ASQA.

WHAT ARE THE AQTF 2007 STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITED COURSES?

These are used to guide the design of accredited courses that are regulated by the Training Accreditation Council (TAC) Western Australia and the Victorian Registration & Qualifications Authority (VRQA). They specify the requirements that must be met by developers who submit courses for accreditation to the TAC and VRQA.