TAFE Centres of Excellence

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Part 1: Formalities and operation of Project Plan					
Parties	Commonwealth Western Australia				
TAFE Centre of Excellence	Clean Energy Skills National Centre of Excellence (CESNCE)				
Duration	This Project Plan will expire on 31 December 2028 (in line with the National Skills Agreement [NSA]), or on completion of all milestones in Table 2 below, including final performance reporting.				
Purpose	This Project Plan will support the delivery of the CESNCE. The CESNCE is being established under Part 6 of the NSA.				
	This Project Plan outlines the additional activities funding for the CESNCE through the Turbocharging TAFE Centres of Excellence and Advancing Higher Apprenticeships (Turbocharging) measure. The Turbocharging measure was announced as part of <i>Working Future: The Australian Government's White Paper on Jobs and Opportunities</i> . The purpose of this additional funding is to fast-track the establishment of the CESNCE and to support work to expand the use of higher apprenticeship pathways.				
Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to Western Australia of \$5.03 million in respect of this Project Plan.				
	Table 1				
	(\$ million)	2024-25	2025-26	Total	
	Estimated total budget	2.012	3.018	5.03	
	Less estimated National Partnership Payments	2.012	3.018	5.03	
	Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.0	0.0	0.0	

Milestone	Deliverable/Evidence	Estimated milestone delivery and payment date	Payment Value (Commonwealth Funded)
Milestone 1 Commonwealth agreement to and signing of this Project Plan for the Turbocharging TAFE Centres of Excellence and Advancing Higher Apprenticeships measure for the CESNCE (Turbocharging CESNCE).	Final TAFE Centre of Excellence Schedule Final Turbocharging CESNCE Project Plan	30 November 2024 For payment by 31 December 2024	\$1.509 million
 Milestone 2 Commonwealth acceptance that the CESNCE has: Initiated consultation on training product design and development and work program (includes Universities, dual sector providers, TAFEs, Jobs and Skills Councils), and Developed a marketing and promotional plan and initiated implementation. 	 Report signed by WA senior official with responsibility for skills that outlines key activities of the CESNCE in the reporting period (1 July 2024 to 30 September 2024) and attaches: stakeholder engagement strategy encompassing approach to training product co-design and development, and an approved CESNCE marketing and promotional plan and initial implementation activities. 	30 November2024 For payment by 31 December 2024	\$0.503 million
 Milestone 3 Commonwealth acceptance that the CESNCE has: implemented a State Training Board workforce strategy and roadmap (including infrastructure, facilities, and equipment) made changes to Vocational Education and Training (General) Regulations 2009 (WA) to support AQF 7 qualifications (Reg 6 amended). implemented WA Jobs and Skills Employer Incentives 	 Report signed by WA senior official with responsibility for skills that outlines key activities of the CESNCE in the reporting period (1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025) and attaches: State Training Board workforce strategy and roadmap amendments to the Vocational Education and Training (General) Regulations 2009 (WA) program documentation for the WA Jobs and Skills Employer Incentive program documentation for wrap-around support programs 	30 September 2025 For payment by 31 December 2025	\$3.018 million

 put wrap-around support programs co- designed with employers and First Nations in place and contracted delivery partners contracted accredited course/s cleared occupational licensing, and finalised the State Training Board – Industry Training Council higher apprenticeship notice of intent schedule and commenced a consultation program. 	 details of course/s accredited added to the National Training Register occupational licensing requirements clearance, and finalised higher apprenticeship notice of intent schedule and consultation program report. 	
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The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Project Plan as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

The Honourable Andrew Giles MP Minister for Skills and Training 6 111

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Signed for and on behalf of the State of Western Australia by

The Honourable Simone McGurk MLA Minister for Training and Workforce Development

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