

Turbocharging the VET Workforce

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Table 1: Formalities and operation																	
Parties	Commonwealth Queensland																
Duration	This Appendix is expected to expire on 30 June 2027, or on completion of all approved projects (whichever is later), including final performance reporting and processing of final payments against milestones.																
Purpose	<p>This Appendix will support the delivery of projects under Turbocharging the VET Workforce in Queensland:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AI Group seeks to build on the current pathways to becoming a teacher, assessor, and trainer by developing and delivering apprentice supervisor training. • CQ University (CQU) Partnership will invest in three activities to contextualise and adapt teacher and assessor resources and delivery models (including more flexible delivery) to better suit a range of audiences, and ensure that learning design and assessment design are appropriate for the target audience. • TAFE Queensland will engage skilled individuals, including injured workers, to the VET sector to bridge the gap in the clean energy VET trainer workforce. • Clean Energy Manufacturing will fund individuals currently working in manufacturing to become a trainer through completing the TAE qualification and upskill existing VET trainers in clean energy manufacturing. 																
Estimated Financial contribution	<p>The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to Queensland of \$5,400,000 in respect of this Appendix.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Table 1 (\$)</th> <th>2025-26</th> <th>2026-27</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Estimated total budget</td> <td>2,700,000</td> <td>2,700,000</td> <td>5,400,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</i></td> <td><i>2,700,000</i></td> <td><i>2,700,000</i></td> <td><i>5,400,000</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Table 1 (\$)	2025-26	2026-27	Total	Estimated total budget	2,700,000	2,700,000	5,400,000	<i>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</i>	<i>2,700,000</i>	<i>2,700,000</i>	<i>5,400,000</i>	Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0	0	0
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Table 2A: Queensland – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
AI Group apprentice supervisor training	Milestone 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth approval of the project proposal for the AI Group apprentice supervisor training. 	On execution	\$200,000
	Milestone 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth acceptance of an initial progress report from the commencement of the project to 1 November 2026, signed by a senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches details on progress relating to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project governance, management and reporting arrangements established; and Content development of short course and any relevant plans for delivery. 	30/11/2026	\$120,000
	Milestone 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth acceptance that Queensland has implemented the AI Group apprentice supervisor training project as evidenced through a report signed by a senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An acquittal report that includes outcomes against each of the project milestones, including confirmation of delivery against approved activities and targets and evidence of apprentice supervisor training project delivery including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summary of short course content; Summary of learner engagement and feedback and how the course evolved over the delivery period; and Lessons learned and any possible plans for continued delivery or insights that will be applied to other courses. Signed financial acquittal evidencing expenditure in accordance with the schedule. 	11/05/2027	\$80,000
			Total \$400,000

Table 2B: Queensland – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
CQ University (CQU) partnership	Milestone 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth approval of the project proposal for the CQU Partnership for trainer and assessor resources. 	On execution	\$1,140,000
	Milestone 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth acceptance of an initial progress report from the commencement of the project to 1 November 2026, signed by a senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches details on progress relating to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project governance, management and reporting arrangements established; Curriculum re-development team establishment; Details on progress of all contextualisation, updated delivery models and design of pilot program. 	30/11/2026	\$684,000
	Milestone 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth acceptance that Queensland has implemented the CQU Partnership project, as evidenced through a report signed by a senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An acquittal report that includes outcomes against each of the project milestones, including confirmation of delivery against approved activities and evidence of project delivery including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Progress on the curriculum re-development team program of work; Consultation, stakeholder engagement and promotion undertaken; Details on all contextualisation and updated delivery models outcomes; and Details on interest, commencement and outcomes of pilot program. Signed financial acquittal evidencing expenditure in accordance with the schedule. 	11/05/2027	\$456,000
			Total \$2,280,000

Table 2C: Queensland – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
TAFE Queensland – Technical Worker Pathways	Milestone 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth approval of the project proposal for the TAFE Queensland Technical Worker Pathways project. 	On execution	\$1,065,000
	Milestone 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth acceptance of an initial progress report from commencement of the project to 1 November 2026, signed by a Queensland senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project plan, governance, and stakeholder engagement strategy; Progress on program design, including delivery model, RPL approach and flexible training arrangements for injured workers; and Industry, WorkCover and delivery partner engagement commencement. 	30/11/2026	\$639,000
	Milestone 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth acceptance that Queensland has implemented the renewable energy training project, as evidenced through a report signed by a senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An acquittal report that includes outcomes against each of the project milestones, including confirmation of delivery against approved activities and targets and evidence of project delivery including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Details of TAE qualifications or skill sets commenced or delivered, mentoring support, use of RPL and flexible delivery models – including additional details on wrap around supports provided to injured workers; Details of insights gained, and feedback received from learners and any further delivery planned or insights to be applied to other courses; and Summary of stakeholder engagement and communication and associated insights. Signed financial acquittal evidencing expenditure in accordance with the schedule. 	11/05/2027	\$426,000
			Total \$2,130,000

Table 2D: Queensland – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Clean Energy Manufacturing	Milestone 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth approval of the project proposal aims to fund individuals currently working in manufacturing to become a trainer through completing the TAE qualification and upskill existing VET trainers in clean energy manufacturing. 	On execution	\$295,000
	Milestone 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth acceptance of an initial progress report from commencement of the project to 1 November 2026, signed by a Queensland senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Project plan, governance, and stakeholder engagement strategy. A summary of early engagement and promotion activity. A summary of initial risk management and mitigation actions in place. 	30/11/2026	\$177,000
	Milestone 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commonwealth acceptance that Queensland has implemented the renewable energy training project, as evidenced through a report signed by a senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An acquittal report that includes outcomes against each of the project milestones, including confirmation of delivery against approved activities and targets and evidence of project delivery including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data on participation and success of upskilling of existing VET trainers to attain higher level engineering qualifications that support clean energy manufacturing roles is complete. Clean energy education resources developed. Evidence of the promotion and engagement activities completed to attract participants interested in clean energy supply chain careers. Signed financial acquittal evidencing expenditure in accordance with the schedule. 	11/05/2027	\$118,000
			Total \$590,000

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Appendix as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the
Commonwealth of Australia by



The Honourable Andrew Giles MP
Minister for Skills and Training

24/4 / 2026

Signed for and on behalf of the
State of Queensland



The Honourable Rosslyn Bates MP
Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training

5/5 / 2026