

# TERMS OF REFERENCE

## General Guidance (all working groups)

Working groups should approach their considerations with the objective of producing a report which:

1. Is framed by an aspirational vision for Australia as a global leader on the strategic issues within the ambit of its considerations.
2. Develops a range of scenarios and/or policy options which might realise the vision, for consideration and debate at the summit. While the working group may identify preferred options in respect of some or all issues, it is important to capture alternative approaches so that they can be exposed to the wider group.
3. Presents specific recommendations which would implement or advance any identified preferred policy options.
4. Identifies further work to be done in respect of any issues on which it has not been possible, for whatever reason (e.g. lack of data, unavailability of technical input), to settle on a preferred approach.

In addition to the specific issues to be addressed by each working group below, all working groups should consider the following as part of the strategic framing of their consideration of each issue:

- To what extent do people need a different skillset to succeed in the emerging economy, which values innovation and entrepreneurship, than they did to succeed in an economy based on traditional salaried employment and established professions; and what does this imply for the issue being considered?
- What is the role of technology; both in terms of disruption of existing practices, and in opening up opportunities for more efficient and/or effective education delivery?
- What is global best practice?
- Is the global best practice context-specific: to what extent might it be applicable/relevant to Australia, with or without modification?
- Does global best practice provide a model for Australia, or do we need to develop a new approach to address our specific local context?
- What are the implications for systemic change, and how might challenges and impediments to such change be overcome?
- What are the cost and funding implications of recommended approaches?
- What are the collaboration opportunities between public and private interests?
- Equity considerations are key and must be taken into account across the work: equity of access regardless of location or socio-economic circumstance. The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspective must also be considered across all work.

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