Asia Education Foundation

Attachment 4: Consultations

# First round

## Jurisdictions and sectors

The objectives for the initial consultations were to:

1. socialise the research with jurisdictions and sectors, seeking practical and implementable actions that all states and territories might agree upon
2. solicit an overview of languages provision and the key issues in each jurisdiction and sector
3. engage relevant senior/curriculum officers in the future stages of the research.

The table below lists the personnel and the jurisdiction they were representing for the first round of consultations:

## Table 1: Round 1 of Consultations

| **Organisation** | **Position** | **Name** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Australian Capital Territory – Education and Training Directorate | Director, Learning and Teaching | Leanne Wright |
| Manager, Curriculum | Martin Hine |
| Curriculum Executive Officer | Fiona Arthur |
| National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) | Languages Consultant, Catholic Education South Australia | Ludgero Rego |
| New South Wales – Department of Education & Communities | Executive Director, Learning High Performance & Accountability | Cheryl Best |
| Executive Director, Learning and Leadership | Jane Simmons |
| Northern Territory – Department of Education | Executive Director, School Support Services | Vicky Bayliss |
| Director, Curriculum Senior Years (10–12) | Sally Hodgson |
| Independent Schools Council of Australia (ISCA) | Curriculum Consultant – Association of Independent Schools of Western Australia | Kate Reitzenstein |
| Queensland – Department of Education andTraining | Director, Curriculum Teaching and Learning | Robyn Rosengrave |
| South Australia – Department for Education and Child Development | Program Manager, Languages and Australian Curriculum Policy and Coordination | Maribel Coffey |
| Tasmania – The Department of Education | Manager, Curriculum Services | Sue Tolbert |
| Curriculum Teacher Leader (Languages) | Christopher Riley |
| Victoria – Department of Education and Training | Director, Priority Projects | Christopher Thompson |
| Manager, Languages Unit | Thérèse Mercader |
| Western Australia – Department of Education | Principal Consultant, Languages | Simone Ménager |

# Second round

## Curriculum authorities, national education agencies, stakeholder groups and languages academics

The second round of consultations was focused on the following:

1. possible outcomes on how Australian governments can work practically with implementers and stakeholders to encourage and enable more students to enrol in senior secondary languages study
2. sourcing research in the field
3. barriers to be addressed and enablers to be supported
4. effective strategies around accountability, incentives, capacity building and community engagement
5. consistencies and disconnects between the demand side and supply side of languages education.

Consultations with academics included additional discussion on the following:

1. policy/structural factors impacting on provision of language pathways at university
2. attitudes toward the accessibility of languages education at university
3. course entry/eligibility requirements involving languages.

## Table 2: Round 2 of consultations

Australian curriculum, assessment and certification authorities

| Organisation | Position | Name |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Australian Capital Territory Board of Senior Secondary Studies (BSSS) | Director, Learning and Teaching, Education and Training, ACT Government – ACT BSSS Board member | Leanne Wright |
| Australasian Curriculum, Assessment and Certification Authorities (ACACA) | Chief Executive Officer, Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority (VCAA) | John Firth |
| Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards (BOSTES) New South Wales | Inspector Languages | Howard Jacobs |
| Senior Curriculum Officer | Kelli Cato |
| Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) | Principal Education Officer, Quality Assurance Unit | Terry McPherson |
| School Curriculum and Standards Authority (SCSA) Western Australia | Director, Curriculum and Moderation | Robyn Smith |
| Director, Policy and Planning | Juanita Healy |
| South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) Board of SA | Executive Manager Curriculum | Antonio Mercurio |
| Manager, Learning and Assessment Design | Kate Cooper |
| Senior SACE Officer Curriculum | Louise Lycett |
| Office of Tasmanian Assessment, Standards and Curriculum (TASC) - (formerly Tasmanian Qualifications Authority (TQA) | Chief Executive Officer | Reg Allen |

Cultural organisations

| Organisation | Position | Name |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Alliance Française de Melbourne | Director | Saliha Lefevre |
| Course and training manager | Aurélie Pierre |
| Course coordinator | Marion Nouvel |
| Co.As.iT. Italian Language, Culture and Heritage Department Melbourne | Acting Manager | Ferdinando Colarossi |
| Confucius Institute – Melbourne | Director | Julia Gong |
| Goethe-Institut Australien | Deputy Director | Marina Shine |
| The Japan Foundation, Sydney | Manager, Japanese Language Programs | Yutaka Nakajima |
| Language Consultant | Cathy Jonak |
| Language Consultant | Tomoko Semba |

National education agencies

| Organisation | Position | Name |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) | General Manager, Curriculum | Phil Lambert |
| Senior Manager, Curriculum | Lyndall Foster |
| Manager, Curriculum | Tracy McAskill |
| Senior Project Officer, Languages | Suzanne Bradshaw |
| Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) | Assistant General Manager – Teacher & School Leader Quality | Martin James |
| Manager – Teacher Quality and Practice | Daniel Pinchas |
| Manager, Policy and Programs | Anita Torr |
| Education Services Australia (ESA) | General Manager | Heather Watson |

Professional associations

| Organisation | Position | Name |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Australian Council of Deans of Education (ACDE) | President | Brenda Cherednichenko |
| Australian Federation of Modern Language Teachers Associations (AFMLTA) | President | Matthew Absalom |
| President elect (President as of July 2014) | Kylie Farmer |
| Vice President | Andrew Scrimgeour |
| Babel editor | Anne-Marie Morgan |
| Australian Professional Teachers Association (APTA) | Treasurer | Sherryl Saunders |
| Australian Secondary Principals Association (ASPA) | Principal, Darwin High School | Trevor Read |
| Council of Education Associations South Australia | Executive Director | Virginia Pattingale |

Complementary language education providers

| Organisation | Position | Name |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Australian Field Study (AFS) Intercultural Programs, Australia | National Director | Reg Smith |
| Community Languages Australia | Executive Director | Stefan Romaniw |
| My Chinese Tutor | Director | Tom Shugg |
| Victorian School of Languages | Principal | Frank Merlino |

Academics

| Organisation | Position | Name |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Monash University | Senior Lecturer, School of Languages, Literatures Cultures and Linguistics | Robyn Spence-Brown |
| Director, Melbourne Centre for Japanese Language Education | Anne de Kretser |
| Murdoch University | Consortium Director, Australian Consortium for ‘In-Country’ Indonesian Studies (ACICIS) | David Hill |
| The University of Melbourne | Director, Research Unit on Multiculturalism and Cross-cultural Communication (RUMACCC), School of Languages and Linguistics | John Hajek |
| Senior Researcher, RUMACCC | Yvette Slaughter |
| Professor of Language and Literacy Education, Melbourne Graduate School of Education (MGSE) | Joseph Lo Bianco |
| Director, Chinese Teacher Training Centre (MGSE) | Jane Orton |
| University of Canberra | Assistant Professor, TESOL and Foreign Language Teaching Faculty of Arts & Design | Ruth Fielding |
| University of New England | Lecturer, School of Education | Anne-Marie Morgan |
| University of South Australia | Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Research Centre for Languages and Cultures | Michelle Kohler |
| Program Director, Research Centre for Languages and Cultures | Tim Curnow |
| Director, Research Centre for Languages and Cultures | Angela Scarino |
| Professor in Applied Linguistics, Research Centre for Languages and Cultures | Tony Liddicoat |
| University of Sydney | Associate Dean International, Faculty of Education and Social Work | Lesley Harbon |
| Associate Professor in TESOL | Ken Cruickshank |

# Third round

## Jurisdictions, curriculum authorities, non-government sectors and national education agencies

The purpose of this third round of consultations was to collaborate on and test possible recommendations.

### Table 3: Round 3 of consultations

Jurisdiction education departments

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| Northern Territory – Department of Education | Director, Curriculum Senior Years (10–12) | Sally Hodgson |
| Consultant: Australian Curriculum Languages | Weifeng Mao |
| Queensland – Department of Education and Training– Queensland | Director, Curriculum Teaching and Learning | Robyn Rosengrave |
| A/Director, Teaching and Learning | Betty Baram |
| South Australia – Department for Education and Child Development | Program Manager, Languages and Australian Curriculum Policy and Coordination | Maribel Coffey |
| Tasmania – The Department of Education | Manager, Curriculum Services | Sue Tolbert |
| Victoria – Department of Education and Training | Manager, Languages Unit | Thérèse Mercader |
| Western Australia – Department of Education | Director, Curriculum and Student Services Support | Karen Webster |
| Principal Consultant, Languages | Simone Ménager |

Australian curriculum, assessment and certification authorities

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| Office of Tasmanian Assessment, Standards and Curiculum (formerly Tasmanian Qualifications Authority (TQA) | Chief Executive Officer | Reg Allen |
| Queensland Curriculum and Assessment Authority (QCAA) | Acting Assistant Director, P–12 Resources Branch | Terry Gallagher |
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