

*Commonwealth of Australia*

*Industry Research and Development Act 1986*

**DIRECTIONS UNDER SECTION 23 OF THE *INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 1986* TO COMMITTEES APPOINTED UNDER THAT ACT – 5 JULY 2024**

I, Andrew Stevens, Chairperson of Innovation and Science Australia (the Board):

A. certify that on 5 July 2024 the Board:

(a) resolved, pursuant to section 23 of the *Industry Research and Development Act 1986* (IR&D Act), to give the directions set out in paragraph 1 of this instrument, to the committees appointed under the IR&D Act specified in paragraph 2 of this instrument, relating to the practices to be followed by those committees in the performance of their functions; and

(b) authorised me to give the directions referred to in subparagraph A(a) above on behalf of the Board; and

B. on behalf of the Board and pursuant to section 23 of the IR&D Act, hereby give the directions set out in paragraph 1 of this instrument, to the committees appointed under the IR&D Act specified in paragraph 2 of this instrument, relating to the practices to be followed by those committees in the performance of their functions.

**1. Directions**

(a) For the making of a decision by the committee on a substantive matter relating to its functions, there must be a quorum of at least three members of the committee participating in the relevant deliberations and voting on the decision.

(b) In the event that a quorum of members mentioned in subparagraph 1(a) above does not exist for a particular matter for whatever reason, including conflicts of interest of committee members, the relevant matter is to be referred to the Board for decision.

**2. Committees**

- (a) Research and Development Incentives Committee
- (b) Cooperative Research Centres Advisory Committee
- (c) Innovation Investment Committee
- (d) Industry Growth Program Committee
- (e) Entrepreneurs' Programme Committee

3. These directions take effect on and from the 5 July 2024

Andrew Stevens  
Chairperson  
Industry Innovation and Science Australia

5 July 2024