Research Project - Profiling diversity of providers in the Australian Vocational Education and Training Sector

The Research Project - "Profiling diversity of providers in the Australian Vocational Education and Training Sector" seeks to map diversity within the VET sector by collecting data across five broad dimensions:

- Teaching and learning;
- Student profile;
- Applied research, industry collaboration, partnerships;
- International orientation; and
- Context.

The National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER) is a partner in this project and has supplied data for the top-100 VET providers. However, data for three dimensions is largely outside its scope, in particular: Applied research, industry collaboration, partnerships; International orientation; and Context. Therefore, we are seeking supplementary institutional data on the above dimensions from each participating institution.

The project has been approved by the University of Melbourne’s Human Research Ethics Committee (Program ref 1443316.1). Further details about the project and how the data provided will be used by the project team are available HERE.

The focus of this research is on nationally registered training organisations that deliver vocational education and training. If the RTO in question is only part of a larger organisational structure (i.e. university or company), then the questions below are only in relation to the RTO section. The questions refer to a full year of activity, this can be a financial year or calendar year whichever is most appropriate for the RTO. While actual numbers are preferred, estimates are also acceptable. The raw data will be confidential, however completion of any question is optional.

Please complete the online questionnaire at http://vet-profiling.questionpro.com
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Background

Question 1. What is the name of your Registered Training Organisation?

Question 2. What is your organisation's approximate total staffing FTE?
Note - Refers to all employment categories (i.e. permanent, contract, hourly paid Instructors) for the past whole year financial reporting period.

Teaching and Learning

Question 3. How many higher education qualifications (AQF Level 7 and above) does your organisation offer in its own right?

Question 4. How many higher education qualifications (AQF Level 7 and above) does your organisation offer in partnership with another university/non university HE provider?

Applied Research, Industry Collaborations and Partnerships

Question 5. Please estimate the number of current documented agreements (contracts, exchange of letters, MOUs) your organisation has with:

Note - Agreements may or may not involve financial transactions between the parties. Domestic and international organisations include government, enterprises and not for profit organisations.

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Question 6. For your RTO's total revenue, what is the approximate % breakdown from:

1. State Government
2. Federal Government
3. Student Fees
4. Fee for Service (excluding State and Federal Government contestable funds)
5. International onshore
6. International offshore
7. Other revenue sources

International Orientation

Question 7. Number of international students enrolled for the previous full financial year:

Onshore

Offshore

Question 8. How many current overseas campuses and/or delivery sites does your organisation have?

Question 9. Approximately what % of total expenditure is committed to VET international engagement and international marketing?

Context

Question 10. Choose one of the following which best describes your organisational governance structure.

Public Providers:
- a. Institution operating within a government department (with or without an advisory board).
- b. Institution/business unit within a state-wide network under a statutory authority with a government appointed board.
- c. Statutory authority with government appointed board at the Institution level.
- d. VET provider within a dual sector university.
**Non-Government Providers:**
- e. Not for Profit Association or company with an elected board.
- f. RTO unit within an enterprise i.e. Enterprise RTO
- g. Public company listed on the share market, with a shareholder elected board.
- h. Privately owned and not publicly listed company.

**Question 11. Choose one of the following that best describes your organisation assets ownership.**
- a. Assets are owned and managed by the State Government.
- b. Assets are vested in the Institution (and disposal of assets may require State Government approval).
- c. Fully owned or leased assets are held by the company or association
- d. A combination of the above

**Question 12. Choose one of the following that best describes the majority employment status of employees.**
- a. State government employees.
- b. Employees of the Statutory Authority, with uniform state government conditions.
- c. Employees covered under an enterprise agreement.
- d. Employees with individual agreements.

**Question 13. Choose one of the following that best describes the annual financial reporting requirements of the Institution or organisation.**
- a. Financial report and audit through the State Department.
- b. Financial report and audit as individual entity.
- c. Not for Profit Company/Association, independent audit tabled at AGM.
- d. Publicly listed company, public annual report to shareholders.
- e. Privately owned company, no public reporting of annual financial result.

**Final Comments**

**Question 14. Do you have any comments, feedback or clarifications to information provided on the above questions?**

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