

Preamble

In Feb 2008 Prime Minister Kevin Rudd announced a summit to gather 1,000 top brains in Australia to come together to find a way to prepare a long term strategic plan for Australia. This paper is a Ripose grade 0 architect's view of this exercise.

The purpose statement

The purpose statement of the 2020 summit started with Prime Minister Rudd's opening statement:

"Prime Minister Kevin Rudd has opened the 2020 summit, telling hundreds of delegates in Canberra that he is looking for a new way to govern the nation."

The four overarching themes

- climate change
- creating a seamless economy through a national approach
- developing people, and
- strengthening civil society

The agenda

1. Productivity
2. Economy
3. Ecology
4. Rural
5. Health
6. Society
7. Indigenous
8. Arts
9. Governance
10. Dominion

Aligning the agenda items with the overarching themes

This table was not produced in the submission paper, however the author of this paper felt it important to produce in order to show how an overarching theme could span more than one agenda item.

Agenda item	Sub agenda	Overarching theme
1. Productivity	Education	Developing people
	Skills	
	Training	
	Science	
	Innovation	
2. Economy		Economy
3. Ecology	Population	Climate change
	Sustainability	
	Climate change	
	Water	
	Cities	
4. Rural	Industry	Civil society
	Community	
5. Health	Preventatives	Developing people
	Workforce	
	Aging	
6. Society	Strengthening	Civil society
	Support working families	
	Social inclusion	
7. Indigenous	Future	
8. Arts	Arts	Developing people
	Film	
	Design	
9. Governance	Open government	Civil society
	Structure	
	Citizen rights	
10. Dominion	Security	Civil society
	Prosperity	

Existing Government departments

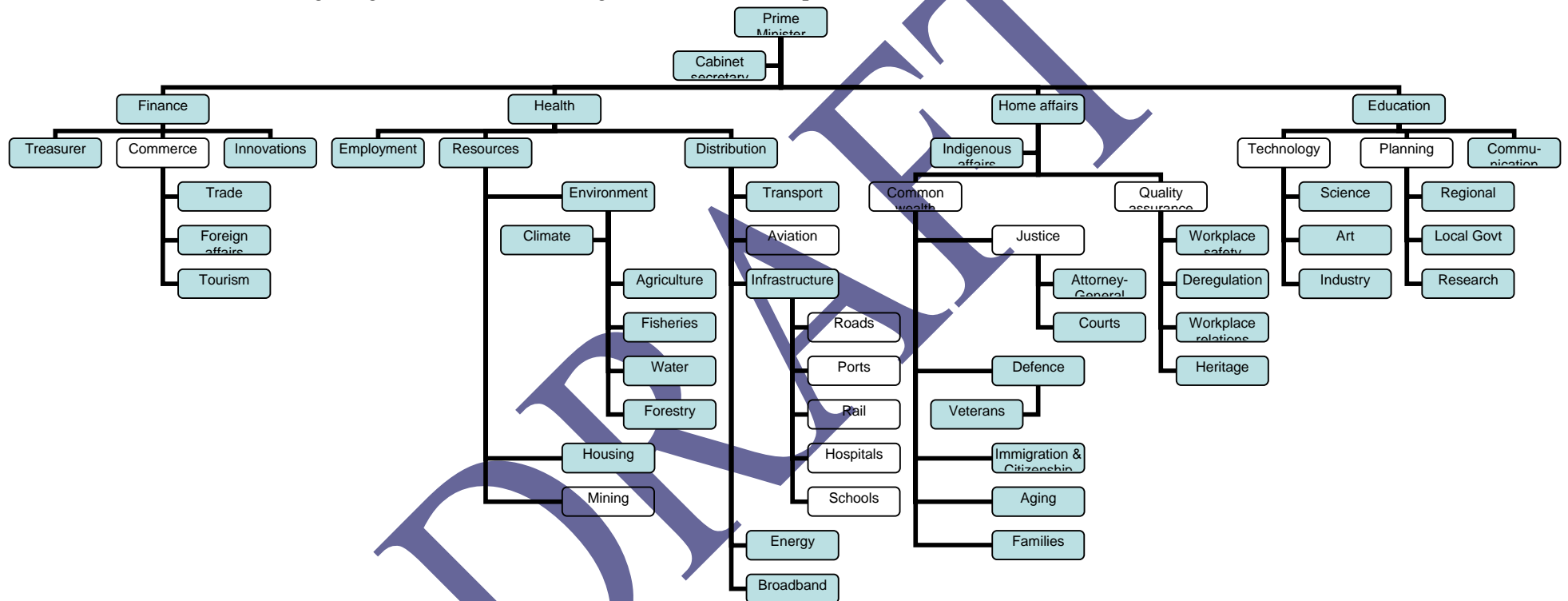
Cabinet	Department	The Honourable
Yes	Attorney-General's	Robert McClelland
Yes	Agriculture	Tony Burke
	Fisheries	
	Forestry	
Yes	Broadband	Stephen Conroy
	Communications	
	Digital Economy	
Yes	Climate Change	Penny Wong
	Water	
Yes	Defence	Joel Fitzgibbon
Yes	Education	Julia Gillard
	Employment	
	Workplace Relations	
Yes	Families	Jenny Macklin
	Housing	
	Community Services	
	Indigenous Affairs	
Yes	Finance	Lindsay Tanner
	Deregulation	
Yes	Foreign Affairs	Stephen Smith
	Trade	Simon Crean
Yes	Health	Nicola Roxon
	Ageing	
Yes	Human Services	Joe Ludwig
Yes	Immigration	Christopher Evans
	Citizenship	
Yes	Infrastructure	Anthony Albanese
	Transport	
	Regional Development	
	Local Government	
Yes	Innovation	Kim Carr
	Industry	
	Science	
	Research	
Yes	Environment	Peter Garrett
	Heritage	
	Arts	
Yes	Prime Minister	Kevin Rudd
	Cabinet	John Faulkner
Yes	Resources	Martin Ferguson
	Energy	
	Tourism	
Yes	Treasury	Wayne Swan
No	Veterans' Affairs	Alan Griffin
No	Courts	
No	Home Affairs	Bob Debus

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A new way of governing Australia

The following diagram depicts how the government departments should be set up to deliver favourable outcomes for all Australians. It removes the likelihood of redundancies as well as reducing budget rework when moving ministers from one portfolio to another.



Legend
 Blue – existing
 White - proposed

General

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