



Terms of reference—5G working group

Objective

The objective of the 5G working group (herein referred to as the ‘working group’) is to foster an ongoing 5G dialogue between industry, subject matter experts and Commonwealth Government representatives on how best to realise the benefits of 5G across a range of portfolios and sectors.

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Having regard to the transformative potential of 5G networks for the Australian economy and how Australians live, and the facilitative role that communications technology plays in driving productivity and innovation, the working group’s role is to:

1. identify enablers and barriers to the deployment and effective use of 5G in Australia, including at the sector and industry level
2. examine how the Commonwealth regulatory settings in sectors, including but not limited to communications, can be optimised for 5G networks and technologies
3. provide a platform for collaboration across Government and industry on 5G matters
4. engage, with the input of subject matter experts, in ongoing strategic dialogue about 5G matters.

The working group will be chaired by the Deputy Secretary, Infrastructure and Consumer Group, Department of Communications and the Arts (DoCA).

Membership of the working group will be established on an invitation basis. Initial membership will include senior representatives from Government, industry (mobile carriers and equipment vendors) and peak bodies from the communications sector.

The working group is expected to meet at least two times each year, and its role will be reviewed by 30 June 2019.