Deputy Secretaries Talent Council



Communique

Date: Tuesday, 11 March 2025

Update from the Chair

The Chair advised that she will be stepping down as the Chair in June 2025, when she takes up her new role as Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations and to the Conference on Disarmament. The Chair and Deputy Chair will work with the Secretaries Talent Council on updating the DSTC membership and appointing a new Chair.

The Council congratulated Ms Walsh on her upcoming posting.

Updating the Entrepreneurial Capability

The Council regularly reflects on the DSTC assessment and development approach to ensure it remains relevant and effective. As part of the reflection Council members discussed updating the language around the Entrepreneurial capability, currently used in the DSTC assessment process.

The Council provided feedback on the proposed updates. The APSC will bring this item back to the next meeting, incorporating the views presented by members for further discussion.

Yawarra and DSTC intersection

The Council endorsed a proposed approach to intersect the Yawarra First Nations talent program and DSTC program to support the development of a strong and diverse APS leadership pipeline.

Round 9

Members noted round 9 participants have recently completed the assessment stage of the program.

Participants have been meeting with their cohort peers and Council members in 'fireside chats' and will soon come together as a whole cohort for their mid-cycle connection point.

The next Council meeting is scheduled for mid-2025.