

Abbreviations

ABARE	Australian Bureau of Agriculture and Resources Economics
ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
AEGIS	Australian Expert Group in Industry Studies
AIIA	Australian Information Industry Association
AIMS	Australian Institute of Marine Science
ANSTO	Australia National Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation
ARC	Australian Research Council
ATC	Atlantic Technology Corridor
BASIX	NSW Building Sustainability Index
BMBA	Blue Mountains Business Advantage
CCB	Centre of Ceramics of Bologna
COFOG	Classification of the Functions of Government
CRCs	Cooperative Research Centres
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Research Organisation
DSTO	Defense Science and Technology Organisation
EU	European Union
FAQs	Frequently Asked Questions
FESC	Framework for Procuring External Support for Commissioning
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FTE	Full-time Equivalents
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
HEIs	Higher Education Institutions
IATA	Instituto Agronomico de Tecnologia Alimentaria
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IDA	Industrial Development Agency
IP	Intellectual Property
IPOs	Initial Public Offerings
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
ISO	International Standards Organization
IT	Information Technology
ITC	Institute of Ceramic Technology
IVIA	Instituto Valenciano de Investigaciones Agronomicas
KBTEN	Knowledge-based techno-economic network
KIBS	Knowledge Intensive Business Service
KIS	Knowledge Intensive Services

KISA	Knowledge Intensive Service Activities
KPIs	Key Performance Indicators
KS	Kommunenenes Sentralforbund (The Association of Local Government and Regional Authorities)
LGA	Local Government Area
MIP	Most Important Innovative Product
MNCs	Multinational Corporations
MTS	Mining Technology Services
MTSAA	Mining Technology Services Action Agenda
NAO	National Audit Office
NHS	National Health Service
NICE	National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence
NPM	New public management
NSW	New South Wales
NTBFs	New Technology-based Firms
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OGs	Other Graduates
OH&S	Occupational Health & Safety
PCTs	Primary Care Trusts
PPBS	Planning, Programming, and Budgeting System
PPP	Purchasing Power Parity
PSI	Public Services Industry
PSRs	Public Sector Research
R&D	Research and Development
RAC	Regional Absorptive Capacity
RBV	Resource-based Value
REIN	Regional Environmental Innovation Network
ROE	Return on Equity
ROA	Return on Assets
RTOs	Research and Technology Organisations
SAAS	Software-as-a-service
SBAs	Sustainable Business Activities
SEC	South East Coast
SMEs	Small and Medium Enterprises
UN	United Nations
VC	Venture Capital