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Key Outcomes –
Practitioner lodgment service working group

Venue:	MS Teams
Date:	15 July 2025
Start:	1.00pm AEST **Finish:** 1.16pm AEST
Chair and facilitator:	Sonia Lark
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Attendees:

Sonia Lark, Felicity-Ann Stokes, Adrian Romano, Kelly Collins, Theresa Hewett, Bhumi Mandalia

Guest Speakers:

Apologies:

ATO – Ziva White

Agenda item 1 – Welcome

The chair opened the meeting and welcomed the group.

Members were advised of emails sent out to 'Australia's adoption of the Implementation of global minimum tax and domestic minimum tax working group' members requesting feedback on draft API and draft SBR specifications. The chair advised draft specs can be sent to the PLS working group members upon request.

Agenda item 2 – Action item updates

There is 1 open action item. This item was raised in 2023 after feedback received about inconsistencies with Business industry codes (BIC) across multiple sources. Changes were made to improve inconsistencies, then paused while waiting to see if the updates had improved the experience. The

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group were advised should no further negative feedback be received by the end of this current Tax Time, the action item will be closed.

A group member enquired about an update made to the BIC page on data.gov.au on 11 June 2025 where the 2025 list of BICs had been uploaded, concerned with late changes.

Please be advised:

- the BIC page on data.gov.au website states: 'Please note the only changes in 2025 were to clean up data issues in the 2024 codes'.
- see attachment with corrections relating to ANZSIC Class 7540 and ANZSIC group 373

Agenda item 3 – Tax time related documentation

No publishing has occurred since the last meeting.

Agenda item 4 - Update on general matters and Tax time delivery

Within the next few weeks, PVT tickets for IITR and NITR will be transitioned to closed and the product register will be updated.

A number of bug fixes have occurred and published on the Tax time 2025 Additional Information FAQ page. Please watch this page to ensure no updates are missed when they are published.

Agenda item 5 – Delivery update

July EVTE deployment occurred on the weekend of 19 July.

In the 1 July PLS working group meeting, an overview was provided to members relating to the LDG List implementation for OECD Pillar 2 changes. After the meeting, members provided feedback and chose option 1, resulting with keeping the existing LDG 2023 service and relaxing the MST and schema.

Two high severity bugs have been deployed for the PTR return 2025:
- 1 July – fault from agency error - correctly addressed and fixed as emergency change
- 10 July - bug returning a PTR 431002 error has been resolved and in production

Draft specifications have been sent to members of the 'Australia's adoption of the Implementation of global minimum tax and domestic minimum tax working group' (Pillar 2) group relating to two services impacted by Pillar 2 changes. Members were offered to be sent these draft specifications if interested.

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Agenda item 6 – Platform update

Heightened support continues for Tax time with platforms tracking well and no issues to report.

Agenda item 7 – Agent online environment update

An incorrect version of the PIITR 2025 business implementation guide (BIG) was published on sbr.gov.au on 8 May 2025. An updated version will be published as soon as possible containing corrections to Appendix A, section 6.3 'updated errors made for DVA code descriptions' on sbr.gov.au.

The issue has been added to the Tax time 2025 Additional Information FAQ page in the DSP Hub.

The group were provided an apology for any inconvenience caused.

Agenda item 8 – DSP communications update

Information about the following topics can be found in issues 26 and 27 of the DSP newsletter:

- Automatic processing during Tax Time 2025
- Expression of interest reminder for client-to-agent linking consultation
- Reminder - ATO Vulnerability Framework consultation closes 18 July
- EVTE is for testing conformance suite data only
- Annual digital service provider tax time event
- Reminder: advance copy of OTE ato.gov.au update
- ATO PIITR.0012 Business Implementation Guide
- Change freeze for Tax Time 2025 ends soon

Agenda item 9 – DSP feedback

No other DSP feedback.

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