

Andrew McCredie has 25 years of innovation and economic policy experience in government (Department of Innovation and Industry, Prime Minister and Cabinet and Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade). He managed the Action Agenda program designed to assist industries develop strategies for future growth, was influential in developing the Global Opportunities Program and the Industry Cooperative Innovation Program, and was a leading member of the secretariat for the Australian Science and Technology Council that undertook studies of higher education and innovation that mirrored the recent Bradley and Cutler reviews.

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