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# Consultation on international standards and risk assessments

The Australian Government has published the *Industry Innovation and Competitiveness Agenda: An Action Plan for a Stronger Australia* (the agenda). In response to the agenda, the Government is adopting the principle that if a system, service or product has been approved under a trusted international standard or risk assessment, then Australian regulators should not impose any additional requirements, unless there is a good and demonstrable reason to do so.

## Consultation

The Department is seeking input from our external stakeholders regarding the criteria and processes it will use to determine whether international standards and risk assessments are suitable for use in Australia. The Department will consider submissions on this topic prior to publishing the final criteria.

## Invitation to make a submission

You are invited to make submissions on the draft criteria and to discuss other issues the Department might consider when engaging with trusted international standards and risk assessments.

You should consider and address the following questions in your submissions:

* Are the criteria sufficient for the Department to appropriately consider accepting international standards and risk assessments in Australia?
* Are there other factors the Department should take into consideration? The submission deadline is **14 December 2015.**

Our preferred method of receiving submissions is via email to [deregulation@border.gov.au](mailto:deregulation@border.gov.au) Alternatively, mail your submission to:

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If you have any questions regarding this consultation email us at [deregulation@border.gov.au.](mailto:deregulation@border.gov.au) [signed]

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