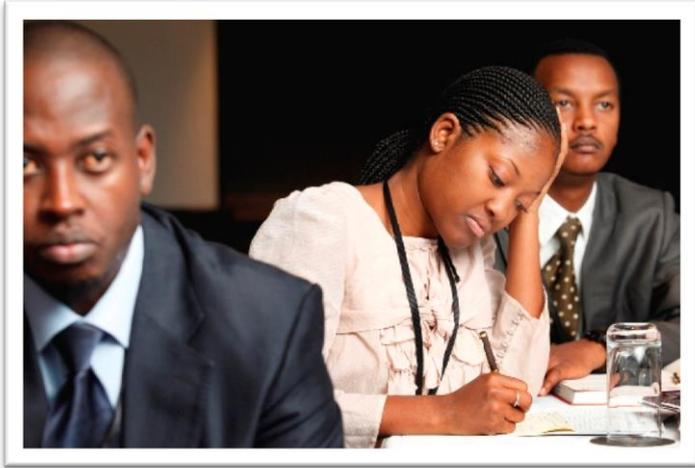




Activity brief (December 2014)

Support for Eidos Institute's Third International Public Policy Congress, Cape Town 6 – 8 February 2013



150 participants from the tertiary education sector, including 120 from developing countries.

The Eidos Congress had a focus on human resources development and public policy, which are priorities for the Australian aid program.

Date approved:	31/01/2013
Implementation partner:	The Eidos Institute is the lead implementation organisation.
Total cost:	AUD 70 000

Background: The Eidos Institute is an international independent public policy think tank that consists of a network of member universities and supportive industry partners in Australia and Africa. As a major component of its public policy platform cycle and government engagement, the Eidos Institute stages a yearly International Public Policy Congress to bring together the best political and policy research leaders in Africa and Australia. Inspired by a vision for an annual Australia-Africa gathering similar to 'G-Day USA', Eidos aligned its work to position with the Mining Indaba to secure a large network of potential interest.

Objective: The purpose of the grant was to contribute to:

- a vibrant conference of tertiary institution professionals with an interest in human resources development in Africa and Australia; and
- long-term relationship building between Australian and African institutions.

Activity description: The Australian Government, through the AAPF, provided a grant to support the Eidos Congress.

The Congress keynotes and panels focused on the following key policy areas:

- The Future of Evidence-Based Public Policy
- Security and Politics – Human, Food, Water and Energy
- Leading Practice in large-scale Industry, Government and Research Partnerships & Strengthening the Innovation System
- National Public Policy Challenges: Health and Education

Sector: Public policy

Outcomes: The Australian Government's contribution to the Eidos Congress helped to strengthen Australia's brand as a solid, strategic supporter of human resources development in Africa, particularly within the university sector.

The event contributed to building effective partnerships by supporting the organisation of a conference that involved about