

What is the CIS?

- The Capacity Investment Scheme (CIS) is an Australian Government initiative to encourage new investment in renewable energy, such as wind and solar, as well as dispatchable capacity, such as battery storage.
- Its objective is to help deliver the Australian Government's target of 82% renewable electricity by 2030, incentivise the deployment of 32 gigawatts (GW) – 23 GW of renewable capacity and 9 GW of clean dispatchable capacity and to place downward pressure on electricity prices.
- Projects bid for a Capacity Investment Scheme Agreement (CISA), which is a contract between the successful proponent for a project and the Australian Government.
- The CISA provides partial revenue support where a project's net revenue falls below an agreed 'floor' or above an agreed 'ceiling' (subject to an agreed annual cap).
- The CIS tenders will be rolled out from 2024 to 2027. It is anticipated there will be regular competitive tenders held approximately every six months for the NEM, and every 12 months for the WEM.
- The Australian Government is responsible for the objectives and design of the CIS, including Capacity Investment Scheme Agreements.

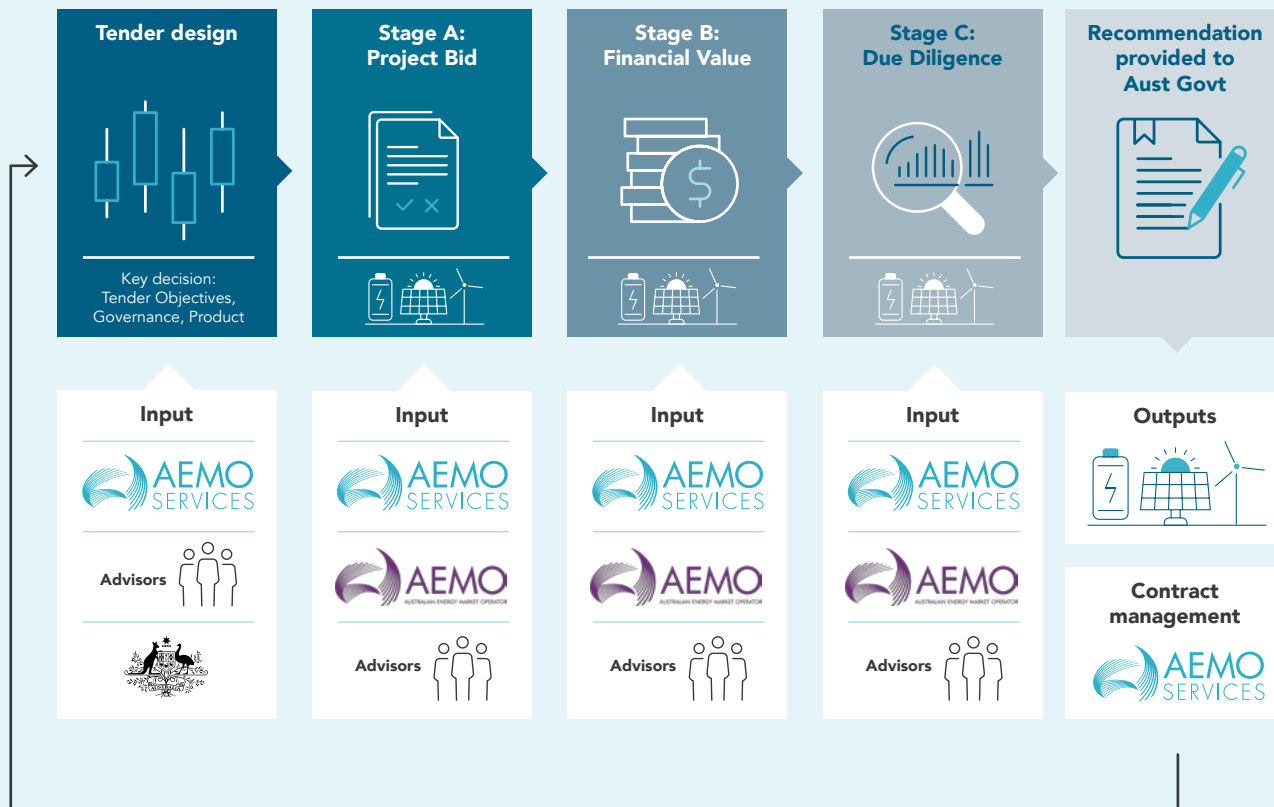
Tender Delivery Partner

AEMO and AEMO Services are engaged to support the roll-out of the CIS as tender delivery partner, bringing together our expertise in energy market design, management and tender procurement.

- We administer the competitive tender process, including recommending bids to the Australian Government. The Minister for Climate Change and Energy is the ultimate decision-maker.
- The CIS Tenders follow a merit-based two stage application and assessment process, including a strong weighting on community and First Nations engagement and social licence commitments, deliverability and benefit to system reliability. Additional due diligence is also undertaken on potential projects ahead of them being recommended to the Australian Government.



What does AEMO's role in the tender process look like?



Our work on the CIS is a significant workstream under our Corporate Priority 1 – Navigating the energy future, where AEMO Services seeks to be a partner of choice to plan and procure energy investment at the pace and scale required to achieve a net-zero energy system. You can read more about our Corporate Plan on our [website](#).

Where to find information

Tender specific information can be found on AEMO Services' [website](#), and we also use our [LinkedIn](#) and email subscriber list to keep stakeholders up to date on Tender related matters. The Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) publishes information on their website related to the Capacity Investment Scheme and other Australian Government energy policies.

If you have any questions or feedback related to CIS Tenders, which is not related to any bid, please email stakeholderengagement@aemoservices.com.au.

If you have any questions related to the Australian Government's Capacity Investment Scheme policy, please email DCCEEW at CapacityInvestmentScheme@dcceew.gov.au.