

## Overseas Travel – October to December 2019

### Public sector employees – Primary Industries and Regions SA

No of travellers	Destination	Reasons for Travel	Total Cost of Travel <sup>1</sup>
1	Portugal	<p>Attended BioMarine 2019 as the PIRSA representative and delivered key note address on activities and directions of South Australia in the use of marine bio-resources.</p> <p>Promoted international industry partnerships in the South Australian bid for a proposed Marine Biotechnology and Bioproducts Cooperative Research Centre.</p>	\$5,003
1	Vietnam	<p>Participated in Genebank data validation discussion with other Genebank IT Managers which supported, influenced and developed best practice in Australian Pastures Genebank (APG) and Australian Grains Genebank (AGG) workflows.</p> <p>APG collaborated with AGG to implement GRIN-Global as their genebank information management system and these standards helped genebanks manage their collection data efficiently.</p> <p>International experts in the field of genebank and information management led the workshop as well as reinforced global data standards in the genebank management system for capturing characterisation and observation data.</p>	\$201
2	France	<p>Commenced role as the Chair of the Local Steering Committee and Vice President of the Great Wine Capitals Global Network. Met key personnel and participated in the delivery of the new strategic direction for the network and the formation of new working groups for Great Wine Capitals.</p> <p>The Great Wine Capitals Global Network launched its Action Plan with strong leadership from South Australian representatives.</p> <p>The Action Plan brings renewed opportunities for collaboration and strengthen the focus for excellence for the Network which continues to benefit South Australia's wine industry.</p>	\$5,352

<sup>1</sup> Excludes salary costs.

1	Spain	<p>Awarded an OECD fellowship under the Co-Operative Research Programme: Biological Resource Management for Sustainable Agricultural Systems to work on the project Sustainable non-chemical control of Russian wheat aphid in cereal crops.</p> <p>Established new experimental protocols and new partnerships with European scientists to improve Biosecurity of SA grains industry.</p>	\$1,000
1	USA	<p>Attended and managed a trade booth at the American Fisheries Society and The Wildlife Society 2019 Joint Annual Conference in Reno, Nevada USA.</p> <p>Promoted and discussed the World Fisheries Congress 2020 (WFC2020) with a target audience of delegates, sponsors and exhibitors as a key delegate boosting activity.</p> <p>Identified aspects of the conference program (topics, novel session formats and ideas about social networking events etc) that may be applied to the WFC2020 as well as engage with members of the World Council of Fisheries Societies.</p>	\$4,098
1	South Africa	<p>Attended the annual meeting of the Commission of the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (CCSBT) the matter of the meeting discussed Australia constraining commercial and recreational catches of Southern Bluefin Tuna (SBT) to allocations set by the CCSBT for 2020 was likely to be considered.</p> <p>The Australian Southern Bluefin Tuna Industry Association Ltd (ASBTIA) requested that a senior PIRSA representative attend the CCSBT meeting in recognition of the importance of the SBT sector to South Australia.</p>	\$6,134
1	United States of America	<p>Presented at the 2019 North American Pulse Industry Association (NAPIA) meeting in Fargo, North Dakota.</p> <p>This was at the invitation and cost of the organising committee and addressed ascochyta blight of pulse crops.</p> <p>Visited a pathologist at the North Dakota State University to discuss research on root pathogens of pulse crops.</p> <p>Also met with a professor at the Montana State University to give a research presentation to the pathology laboratory at Montana State University.</p>	NIL

1	New Zealand	<p>Attended the 2019 workshop of the Centre for the Advancement of Population Assessment Methodology (CAPAM) at which a presentation titled "A framework for multi-year Leslie-Davis depletion modelling and its use as a stock assessment feature" was given.</p> <p>This initiated the development of generalised fishery assessment model software, which provided enhanced scientific advice to support the rationalisation of the State's marine scalefish industry.</p>	NIL
1	New Zealand	<p>Attended the CAPAM (Centre for the Advancement of Population Assessment Methodology) workshop on "The creation of frameworks for the next generation general stock assessment models". Presented a half-hour talk entitled "Will age-and-length based modelling permit broader application of the next-generation fishery assessment model?". Outcomes from the workshop are directly applicable to the assessment of key South Australian finfish stocks.</p>	NIL
1	New Zealand	<p>Travelled to New Zealand to assess remedial surgery vineyard trials established in Marlborough and Hawke's Bay in a previous visit in June 2019, as part of contracted research with NZ Winegrowers; NZW 19-101 "Improving remedial surgery practices for control of grapevine trunk disease to increase vineyard longevity".</p> <p>Met with NZ Winegrowers Chief Executive and Program manager and discussed future plans for project NZW 16-102 which will conclude in Jan 2020.</p>	\$302
1	New Zealand	<p>Attended a final program meeting in New Zealand. Completed a five year program to improve the nitrogen fixation of white clover pastures, technical support was provided.</p> <p>The meeting considered the findings and outcomes and discussed pathways to adoption/commercialisation for rhizobial products developed by the program and identified future research and opportunities.</p> <p>A short seminar was delivered, discussions were held to ensure completion of the thesis to a high standard and in a timely manner.</p>	\$399

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