

The Small Business Development Corporation and the Combined Small Business Alliance of WA sign MOU

July 10th 2007 was a significant occasion for the SBDC and CoSBA. For SBDC the first signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any organisation and for CoSBA the culmination of years of work to establish itself as one of the key representative organisations for small business in Western Australia.

Newly appointed CEO Mr Stephen Moir said at the signing ceremony that this was the beginning of an exciting working relationship between government and small business.



SBDC Chairman Patria Jafferries was keen to see the relationship with CoSBA develop across a number of initiatives.

- Cross-promotion of services and initiatives
- Information Sharing
- Development of joint initiatives
- Policy development, review and research
- Website cross-referencing

CoSBA president Mr Rod Henderson said that small business has specific needs which don't necessarily match those of government and the best way to address these is with co-operative discussion between the parties.

The MOU seeks to formalise a working relationship between the SBDC and CoSBA. Specific initiatives undertaken between CoSBA and the SBDC will be developed to support Western Australian small business.

Small business organisations are encouraged to discuss their issues with CoSBA and to participate in all matters that need change so as to better service their members.

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