

## Statement in response to the Federal Budget

October 25, 2022

SBS welcomes the funding announcement from the Federal Government as part of the Federal Budget, maintaining current levels of funding and providing certainty for SBS as we continue to deliver essential and evolving services to meet the needs of communities.

It is an outcome that recognises the value that SBS delivers to Australians and incorporates the additional funding that SBS has received in recent budgets for the expansion of our language services.

“SBS is working with the Government and the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts on both the Feasibility study and the implementation of five-year funding terms for public broadcasters,” said an SBS spokesperson.

“The outcomes of the feasibility study will be carefully considered by the SBS Board, which as the Minister said recently, holds ultimate responsibility for any decision. Our priority will remain accessing the talent, tools and technologies we need to continue fulfilling our Charter each and every day for our audiences who are in all corners of Australia.”

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