**The HE whirlpool**

“If C then N*P over X given R”

N – uncapped CGS enrolments from 2012

Bigger N $\rightarrow$ low SES, online, over-enrolment pre-2012, health

$P$ – income per CGS student

$\rightarrow$ not increased $\leftarrow$ Base funding review

C – Compacts $\leftarrow$ very small% $\rightarrow$ performance against

DEEWR set targets in l&t $\rightarrow$ low SES & other

C -- registered provider $\leftarrow$ TEQSA, provider standards $\rightarrow$ self-accreditation $\leftarrow$ university $\leftarrow$ national protocols $\leftarrow$ ERA
The HE whirlpool, cont.

“If C then N*$P over X given R”

X – open market ← 200+ provider → no barrier to being uni
R – registered provider → TEQSA – “insurance industry”
approach.

Deregulation does not equal unregulated
Deregulation equals equal regulation → more regulation → ?
over regulation? → much more competition but not from
the “usual suspects”
Does uncapping equal kneecapping???
1. the principle of **regulatory necessity** – TEQSA must not burden the higher education provider any more than is reasonably necessary.

2. the principle of **reflecting risk** – must have regard to a range of factors, including the provider’s history of scholarship, teaching and research; its students’ experiences; its financial status and capacity; and its record of compliance with the Act.

3. the principle of **proportionate regulation** – TEQSA must exercise its powers in proportion to any non-compliance, or the risk of future non-compliance, by the provider.
TEQSA registration

- Registration and re-registration will be granted for periods up to seven years.
- Accreditation and re-accreditation will also have a maximum seven year cycle for those higher education providers without authority to self-accredit.
- Thematic reviews to focus on a specific area of risk or explore an area of concern within the sector or across a cohort. These will identify sectoral good practice, make recommendations to improve practice, guide sectoral quality enhancement and inform policy and research.
- The National VET Regulator and TEQSA to streamline the regulation of providers operating in both sectors.
TEQSA standards

Threshold standards – **must be meet**
- Provider Standards (which are based on the National Protocols) Third draft out now for consultation
- Qualification Standards (based on the AQF) – just finalized, take effect from July 2011, must adhere by 2015

Other standards – for quality assurance & regulatory activities.
- The Information Standards ???
- Discussion paper on issues relating to T&L standards is being developed - a starting point for stakeholder consultation later this year.
- TEQSA, DVC(R)s and DIISR project to help frame an approach to research standards.