

Outcomes from the Fifth Meeting of the AESOC Transnational Quality Strategy Working Group

Sydney, Friday 14 December 2006

- The Working Group agreed to the Provider Declaration with some minor amendments. The **Declaration** has been prepared using the draft *Code of Practice for Quality Transnational Education and Training*. Eligible providers wishing to participate in the **List of Quality Assured Providers** (the 'List') would sign the Declaration, providing a public statement of their commitment to transnational quality.
- Further discussions are to be held to conclude the detailed arrangements for the operation of the List.
- A small working group is to be established to develop a decision-making matrix for handling complaints in relation providers on the List.
- The Working Group endorsed the proposed approaches to collecting data for the Higher Education Support Act (HESA) approved higher education, vocational and technical education (VTE) and schools sectors. These build on existing data collection arrangements.
- Data collection arrangements for the non-HESA higher education and English language training sectors are to be finalised through consultations with peak bodies and states and territories.
- The three **trial quality assessments** will be undertaken and concluded in the first quarter of 2007.
- The **next meeting** of the TQS Working Group is to be held in **early 2007**.

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