



## COMMUNIQUE

### WORKSHOP WITH COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION EXPERT MEMBERS

13 MARCH 2026

On 13 March 2026, the Hon Julian Hill MP, Assistant Minister for International Education and Assistant Minister for Citizenship, Customs and Multicultural Affairs, met with current and outgoing Council for International Education Expert Members for a workshop on issues and themes that could be canvassed in the proposed International Education and Skills Strategic Framework (Strategic Framework).

Assistant Minister Hill welcomed Expert Members, including newly appointed members Professor Jessica Gallagher, Deputy Vice-Chancellor International, Adelaide University; Toshi Kawaguchi, Director, Study NSW; Adele Lausberg, Executive Director, Student Accommodation Council; Chloe Read, Chief Executive Officer, TAFE NSW (absent); and Tennealle O'Shannessy, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director, IDP Education. He also acknowledged the contributions of outgoing Expert Members, Michael Wesley, Deputy Vice-Chancellor Global, Culture and Engagement, University of Melbourne, Anouk Darling, Chief Executive Officer, Scape, and Jane Johnston, Executive Director, Study Adelaide.

Assistant Minister Hill and Expert Members discussed a breadth of intersecting issues, including integrity risks, the importance of quality, sector sustainability, research and innovation, and the role of international education in advancing Australia's foreign policy objectives.

Assistant Minister Hill concluded by noting that Expert Member feedback would inform the Department's ongoing work on the Strategic Framework, ahead of further engagement with the Council.