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Dear Tracy

I would like to offer this letter of support with regard to the proposed national education 2 employment (e2e) initiative.

TAFE Directors Australia has been in discussions with e2e about the possibility of a national TAFE model for over 4 months -during this time it has become apparent that the benefit of the program is much broader than TAFE.

Given the challenges facing the Australian international education sector currently, investment in a program which will better support our international students in seeking work both during and post their studies would not only bring returns to students but also government and industry.

TDA has been researching the education options for international students, particularly those coming through with a trade qualification with a view to find possible systems and best practice responses to support their integration into the workplace.

From this research, e2e has emerged as the leading provider of this service, a comprehensive service that benefits provider's students and the local economy.

TDA believes that the e2e project can support AEI in meeting its goals under the Study In Australia 2010 initiative. TDA is pleased to offer its support and endorsement for a national program.

Yours sincerely,

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