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Memorandum of Understanding signed with COPHE

The Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Council of Private Higher Education (COPHE).

COPHE is the peak body representing Australian private higher education providers catering to Australian and international students.

TEQSA Chief Executive Officer, Mr Anthony McClaran, said the signing reinforced the strong relationship between the two organisations which both work towards ensuring the quality of the Australian higher education sector and protection of students.

“COPHE is an important representative in the private higher education sector and this signing will ensure greater collaboration and sharing of information which is central to our role,” Mr McClaran said.

“I am very pleased for the opportunity to formalise this arrangement with COPHE as we have a mutual interest in maintaining and improving the quality of higher education for all students.”

COPHE Chief Executive Officer, Mr Simon Finn, said the MoU confirmed the commitment of COPHE members to work with TEQSA to ensure academic programs and institutional governance continue to comply with quality standards.

“Signing this MoU was my first priority as the new chief executive Chief Executive Officer of COPHE as we play a vital role in higher education including providing policy advice and analysis to regulators and government agencies,” Mr Finn said.

“The MOU builds on COPHE’s code of practice to provide assurance to students enrolled at COPHE member institutions that their institution is committed to the highest quality education experience.