AITSL Board Meeting Report: 13 March 2015

Initial Teacher Education

The Board discussed the release of the report of the Teacher Education Ministerial Advisory Group (TEMAG) and the Australian Government's response, which sets out a significant role for AITSL.

The Board discussed the distinctive element of the proposals, namely the focus on evidence of impact of initial teacher education programs, and the importance of clarity about State, Territory and Australian Government roles and responsibilities in implementation.

Professor John Hattie speaks about the TEMAG report and AITSL's role here

Directors also noted that development of the Literacy and Numeracy Test, including the field trial and setting the provisional benchmark, is now complete. The Department of Education and Training is responsible for implementation.

School Leadership

The Board received an update on the work underway on School Leadership:

- the online interactive version of the <u>Leadership Profiles</u> developed against the <u>Australian Professional Standard for Principals</u> will be available in Term 2, 2015
- work is continuing to develop summary reports on strengths and development needs of principals as reported through the <u>360° Reflection Tool</u>.

Australian Professional Standards for Teachers

Directors discussed the longitudinal evaluation of the Standards, which commenced in March 2013 and is due for completion in December 2015. The National Survey 2015 is currently underway.

AITSL will continue to work with the Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) and Australasian Teacher Regulatory Authorities (ATRA) as they collaborate on the application of the Standards in early childhood settings.

Project updates

The Board received an update on work including:

- the 2015 AITSL Stakeholder Survey, which closed at the end of February. Findings will be presented to the Board in May 2015
- a new issue of the Essential Guide to Professional Learning series, focused on collaboration
- AITSL's Research Repository, which now provides access to over 100 reports.

The **next meeting** of the AITSL Board will be held on 27 May 2015.