The University of Tasmania, in partnership with the Tasmanian Government, warmly invites you to attend the upcoming international Symposium

The Transformative Nature of Education: Underpinning Social and Economic Transformations

The Symposium will complement the recently launched Peter Underwood Centre for Educational Attainment – a major multidisciplinary centre of excellence that has been jointly established by the University of Tasmania and the Tasmanian Government.

Keynote presentations 15 July

**Theme 1: Global trends in pre-tertiary education**

Henry De Sio, COO of the 2008 Obama Election Campaign:

*Big picture on the world of the future, the skills and knowledge young people will need*

Professor John Polesel, Melbourne Graduate School of Education:

*Comparative education, school-based vocational education and high stakes testing*

**Theme 2: What do the best pre-tertiary education systems look like internationally?**

Professor Ian Menter, Professor of Education, Oxford University and President, British Educational Research Foundation:

*Making connections - research, teacher education and educational improvement*

Andreas Schleicher, Director for Education and Skills, and Special Advisor on Education Policy to the Secretary-General, OECD:

*Features of effective education systems: Learnings from the OECD*

Keynote presentations 16 July

**Theme 3: Strategies for success in raising educational aspirations, participation and attainment**

Tom Bentley, Education Advisor to the Melinda and Bill Gates Foundation:

*Lifting aspirations to critical mass: Lessons from around the world*

Christine Cawsey AM, Principal of Rooty Hill High School, NSW:

*From rhetoric to reality – how schools create cultures of success*

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