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**Independent Schools
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ISCA Congratulates New Ministers

The Independent Schools Council of Australia (ISCA) has welcomed the appointments of Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham as Minister for Education and Training, the Hon Luke Hartsuyker MP as Minister for Vocational Education and Skills and Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck as Minister for Tourism and International Education.

ISCA Acting Executive Director, Colette Colman said that she looked forward to working with Senator Birmingham, Mr Hartsuyker and Senator Colbeck on a wide range of education related issues, particularly those that will affect the Independent schools sector.

Ms Colman said, “During his time as Assistant Minister for Education and Training Mr Birmingham has demonstrated his strong credentials in the education sector, and we look forward to continuing our positive relationship with the Minister’s office, including ongoing negotiations to secure predictable and stable funding arrangements for Independent schools into the future.”

“The Independent schools sector remains committed to working with the Commonwealth Government to support the implementation of their policies to provide quality education to all Australian school students,” concluded Ms Colman.

Ms Colman also thanked former Minister for Education and Training, the Hon Christopher Pyne MP for his service to the portfolio and wished him well in his new portfolio as Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science.

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