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### AITSL welcomes release of TEMAG report

The Australian Government has released the report of the Teacher Education Ministerial Advisory Group (TEMAG) and the Government's response.

AITSL has been asked by Minister Pyne to assume responsibility for significant elements of the *Action Now: Classroom Ready Teachers* report.

<http://www.studentsfirst.gov.au/teacher-education-ministerial-advisory-group>

AITSL's role in taking action on major parts of the government's response to the report will focus on stronger quality assurance of teacher education courses, and especially ensuring that all graduates are classroom ready.

Professor John Hattie, the Chair of AITSL, said, "This is a pivotal moment in education and I look forward to working with colleagues across the educational spectrum to maximise impact for the benefit of Australian students, who deserve the best quality education that can be delivered by well-prepared, inspiring and inspired teachers.

"The Advisory Group's report gives us a strong direction for improving teacher education in Australia. What stands out for me is its focus on teacher education institutions providing evidence of the impact of graduate teachers on student learning in schools. This is a major improvement over the current focus on teacher education course content and structure. Now is our chance to make sure the excellent preparation many Australian teachers already receive becomes the norm."

View the video by Professor John Hattie, AITSL Chair: <http://www.aitsl.edu.au/media-newsroom/latest-news/2015/temag-announcement>

Read the blog by Margery Evans, AITSL Chief Executive Officer:  
<http://www.ceo.aitsl.edu.au/blog/inspiring-and-inspired>

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