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International Education Expert Joins NISL’s Advisory Board

Washington, DC - The National Center on Education and the Economy (NCEE) is pleased to announce the appointment of Anthony “Tony” Mackay as Senior Advisor to the President and Chairman of the National Institute for School Leadership’s International Advisory Board.

Mackay comes to NCEE following five years as the Chair of the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership and seven years as the Deputy Chair of the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) and its predecessor body. He will continue his role as Chief Executive Officer of the Centre for Strategic Education in Melbourne, Australia.

Mackay’s work focuses on school and system leadership, improvement and innovation, teacher professionalism and curriculum and assessment policy. An expert on high performing education systems around the world, Mackay works closely with education leaders at the national, state and provincial levels including as Co-Director of the Global Education Leaders Partnership, an advisor and facilitator for the Asia Society’s Global Cities Education Network, and as a member of the Advisory Board of the Asia Education Foundation. Mackay consults regularly with the OECD’s Centre for Educational Research and Innovation. Mackay was inaugural Chair and is a current Director of the Innovation Unit in London. He was a founding member of the Governing Council of the National College for School Leadership in England and he chairs the annual International Summit on the Teaching Profession.

In his work with NCEE and its National Institute for School Leadership, Mackay will work with state leaders as they develop plans to implement strategies to lead the world in student performance; help expand the offerings of NCEE’s National Institute for School Leadership to include lessons from top performing nations that can be adapted for use in the United States; and help states learn from NCEE’s international benchmarking research.

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