Advancing Europe-Australia cooperation in international education

Outcomes of a Joint IEAA-EAIE Symposium

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2009

Working with the UK

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About IEAA

- The International Education Association of Australia (IEAA) is the peak body for international education professionals in Australia
- Wider role than NAFSA or EAIE
- Over 1,000 members
- Roles in public policy and advocacy, professional development, industry research, consultancy and project management and quality enhancement and support of international education professionals.

About IEAA

- Jointly presents the annual Australian International Education Conference (AIEC) with IDP Education. The AIEC is the third largest international education conference in the world and the largest in the Asia-Pacific region.

- Works closely with other Australian industry peak bodies and with counterpart organisations internationally

Objective

- Identify critical factors for the enhancing and deepening the already successful Australia-Europe education relationship and begin to move the relationship to a new level.
- Develop an acceptable and feasible forward action agenda

Questions

- What role will international education play in meeting the challenges faced by universities in Australia and Europe?
- How can the education relationship between Australia and Europe best be enhanced?
- What innovations in education programs are required?
- How is it best to enhance the engagement of academic staff in international education?

Questions

- What are the most effective forms of partnerships and networking?
- What research is needed to provide the basis for future decisions about the education relationship?
- What leadership skills are needed to achieve the desired outcomes?
- What are the over-arching, public policy issues and how should be should governments respond?

Symposium

- Participants
- Background papers
- Symposium format and program
- Evaluation
- Key success factors

Outcomes 1

Ensure ongoing dialogue

Outcome 2

Undertake joint research in areas of shared interest and priority

Outcome 3

Jointly build leadership skills amongst newer professionals

Outcome 4

Jointly identify and disseminate good practice in international education networks and partnerships

Outcome 5

Jointly identify and disseminate exemplars of best practice in institutional support of academic staff engaged in internationalisation

Outcome 6

Work together to encourage governments to support and expand cooperation between Australia and Europe in education

Outcome 7

Consider establishing Europe/Australia special interest groups within IEAA and EAIE

Outcome 8

Collect and share information about the environmental sustainability of international mobility of students and staff involved in international education

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