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ACPET welcomes call for National Skills Summit

The Australian Council for Private Education and Training (ACPET) has welcomed today's commitment by the Leader of the Opposition to a National Skills Summit.

ACPET CEO Rod Camm said Labor's intention to engage with employers, providers and the broader industry to develop a strategic plan for skills development was very positive.

"Australia's vocational education and training and higher education sectors are in need of a strategic reset," he said.

Mr Camm said it was time to review current tertiary education sector governance and funding arrangements to ensure they are fit for purpose and that they deliver for Australia.

"A commitment to quality and removing unnecessary complexity and bureaucracy is paramount, as is the need to ensure that the Commonwealth and States and Territories work together," he said.

"We welcome the opportunity to sit down with all stakeholders to develop a national skills plan that ensures Australia's future workforce is highly skilled, flexible and able to respond to emerging economic opportunities."

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Rod Camm is available for interview. Please phone the SAS Group on 07 3221 9222, or directly on 0409 484 051.