

Industry Training Federation welcomes new Minister

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The Industry Training Federation has welcomed the appointment of Steven Joyce to the role of Minister for Tertiary Education.

“Tertiary education, and particularly Industry Training, is closely linked to economic development and Mr Joyce has considerable experience in this area, which will be invaluable in his new role,” Federation Executive Director Jeremy Baker.

“His pragmatic and practical approach to issues aligns with the way the industry training sector operates. We work closely with industries and individual workplaces to ensure the government’s investment in vocational education and training supports workforce development and improved productivity.”

Mr Baker said the Federation looked forward to continuing to work with Education Minister Anne Tolley on the important issue of ensuring the secondary school sector provided good pathways into the workforce for young people.

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The Industry Training Federation is a voluntary membership organisation representing New Zealand’s 39 Industry Training Organisations. More than 35,000 businesses and 180,000 apprentices and trainees are involved in industry training every year.