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THE-ICE 9th IPoE (International Panel of Experts) Forum 2015

Panel 4: Chair

Mr Guy Bentley

Director & Immediate Past Chair, THE-ICE Board of Directors
CEO, Glion Institute of Higher Education Worldwide, Switzerland



Mr Guy Bentley has been recently appointed CEO of Glion Institute of Higher Education (GIHE) Worldwide, with two campuses in Switzerland and one in London, England. At the end of 2015, he will wind up his 11-year term as CEO of the Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School (BMIHMS), Australia, a sister school of GIHE.

Guy is a member of the BMIHMS Higher Education Board, a Director of Torrens University Australia (TUA) Governing Board, and a Member of the Senior Executive Group for Laureate Hospitality and Culinary, which are part of the Laureate International University (LIU) Network. Following his election to THE-ICE Board of Directors in 2008, Guy served as Chair from 2011 – 2013 and is currently serving a subsequent term in office as Director.

Guy is committed to the growing of a trusted quality higher education business that is customer-focused. He uses a mentoring leadership style to assist his executive team to operate effectively within a complex regulatory and corporate global environment. He has extensive experience as a director of business in the general education, workplace training, outdoor recreation, hospitality, and tourism sectors. Guy publishes academic & industry papers and regularly presents at conferences.

He has been highly recognised for many years for his outstanding contributions to the tourism/ training industry in Australia and has received the National Training Legend Award in 2006, the National Tourism Platinum Award in 2004 and 2009, the Accommodation Association of Australia's Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award in 2011, and – most recently – the Ashley Spencer Service to the Industry Award at the 2015 HM Awards for Hotel & Accommodation Excellence.