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### Panel 4 Chair: Learning Through Industry Experience and Engagement

#### Mr Anthony Mitri

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Mr Anthony Mitri is the Director of Innovation, Industry and Employability at Torrens University, and was formerly the Head of Academic Studies at William Blue College of Hospitality Management.

Anthony's qualifications include a Masters of Business Administration, Bachelor of Business (Hospitality Management), and Diploma of Vocational Education and Training. While attending university, Anthony was awarded the prestigious Corporate Management Traineeship with IHG (InterContinental Hotels Group), which he completed at the Holiday Inn Sydney Airport with a focus on Front Office

Management. Upon graduation, Anthony ventured into the world of hospitality by working in hotel operations with Accor and IHG.

In 2006, Anthony moved into the education arena with a range of international colleges in Sydney and was quickly promoted to management posts within the academic field. As the Head of Academic Studies for Hospitality programmes at William Blue, Anthony was in a unique position of having current, high-quality industry experience, industry qualifications, and academic experience which he combined to develop and deliver vocational and higher education of the highest quality to students.

Now as the Director of Innovation, Industry, and Employability (IIE), he acts as the catalyst for innovation and leads the development of the Hospitality Faculty's industry-relevant courses at Torrens University Australia. In addition, he is responsible for ensuring students achieve their employability goals by aligning industry engagement and overseeing the continual progression of curriculum as trends in the industry change.

Anthony was elected to THE-ICE Board of Directors in 2017.