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New UTAS position filled in Launceston

DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR AND PROVOST

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Daryl Le Grew, has announced the appointment of a new Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Provost of the University of Tasmania.

“I am delighted to be able to advise that we have appointed Professor David Rich to the position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Provost,” said Professor Le Grew.

“Professor Rich will be based in Launceston and takes up his appointment with us in July 2007.

“In his role as Provost, David will be managing the operations of the University, in the context of the strategic leadership provided by the Vice-Chancellor.

“David is a great team player and will quickly engage the whole University community in our exciting future.

“A geographer with a PhD from Cambridge, he is currently Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) at the University of New England. He has been a leader in flexible teaching and active nationally in Teaching and Learning through the Carrick Institute.

“It’s wonderful to be able to attract a candidate of such calibre to UTAS.

“David has a great reputation as a senior manager, particularly in the areas of academic planning and innovation in Teaching and Learning. All of these qualities make David Rich an ideal appointment as Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Provost.

“I am also pleased to announce that Professor Rudi Lidl has agreed to stay on at UTAS to assist us in the lead-up to the next quality audit, where he brings immense experience to that area.”

Professor David Rich said he was genuinely delighted to accept the position.

“Clearly, UTAS is a forward thinking institution with an exciting future, and I am looking forward to being a part of that future.

“I am also looking forward to living in Launceston and working within a community that we have already found to be warm and inviting.

Professor Rich said that he was also eager to put his experience in flexible education to good use across the university’s three campuses.

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