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Examining future directions of the Tasmanian Integrity Commission

The establishment of the Integrity Commission in Tasmania marks a major milestone for the State's legal history.

Barbara Etter APM, Chief Executive Officer of the Tasmanian Integrity Commission will talk about the challenges and future direction of the organisation at a free public lecture at UTAS tomorrow night (Wednesday 13 October 2010).

The event is presented by the Tasmanian Institute of Law Enforcement Studies (TILES), at the University of Tasmania.

TILES Director Professor Jenny Fleming said following several high profile incidents and the report of the Joint Select Committee on Ethical Conduct in 2009, there was a demonstrated need for an independent body with a complaint handling and investigative role.

"In the long term it was recognised that there was a need for a strong preventative, educative and advisory role," Prof. Fleming said.

"In the lecture, Barbara Etter will talk about the challenges in setting up an integrity agency, the issues the organisation is likely to face and the key aspects of the Tasmanian model.

"She will also outline her views on possible future directions for the Integrity Commission, an organisation which will have a critical role in ensuring ongoing trust and confidence in the Tasmanian system of democracy."

What: *A Conversation with Barbara Etter, Chief Executive Officer, Tasmanian Integrity Commission*

Public Lecture presented by TILES

Date: Wednesday, 13 October 2010

Time: 18:00 - 19:30

Venue: Stanley Burbury Theatre, University of Tasmania, Churchill Avenue, Sandy Bay

*Barbara Etter is available for interview on Wednesday on (03) 6216 4447
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