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National conference explores regional university issues

Delegates from universities around Australia are in North West Tasmania this week at a conference focussing on the quality of tertiary education in regional areas.

UTAS Director of Cradle Coast campus Professor Janelle Allison says the University of Tasmania is delighted to be hosting the 2011 Regional University Campus Heads Conference national conference in Burnie.

“It is great to be able to get representatives from Australia’s key regional universities around a table to share ideas on how we can best provide regional Australia with quality tertiary education into the future,” Professor Allison said.

“We will be looking at the on the big questions facing smaller campuses such as how to build on participation in tertiary education, and the best ways to cater for the anticipated growth in undergraduate places. It is also an opportunity to share knowledge and ideas on how we can capitalise on new technology and respond to the demands of our students, our university system and all people living in regional Australia.”

The 2011 Regional University Campus Heads Conference will be opened this afternoon by Senator the Hon Christopher Evans, Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Jobs and Workplace Relations.

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