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Institute of Student Employers responds to Careers Strategy

Stephen Isherwood, Chief Executive of the [Institute of Student Employers \(ISE\)](#), formerly the Association of Graduate Recruiters, responds to the Department for Education's [Careers Strategy](#) published today (4 December 2017).

“We welcome the government’s Careers Strategy and adoption of the Gatsby Charitable Foundation benchmarks. The benchmarks have the potential to transform outcomes for students and we will be encouraging employers to help schools achieve their goals.

Employers have been frustrated that schools can be difficult to work with and they need a point of contact who will coordinate activities. Funding a careers leader in every school is a significant and positive step forward.

“We know that many employers have worked closely with the Careers & Enterprise Company, so we are pleased to see the enhanced role it has been given in delivering the Careers Strategy.”

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About the Institute of Student Employers

The Institute of Student Employers (ISE), [formerly the Association of Graduate Recruiters \(AGR\)](#), is an independent, not-for-profit member organisation that was established in 1968.

As the UK’s leading independent voice for student employers, the ISE’s vision is that every businesses success is maximised by full access to student talent.

The ISE achieves this by bringing together employers, the education sector and supplier partners, providing leadership and support in all aspects of student recruitment and development.

ISE activities include:

- Promoting excellence and innovation in the resourcing, assessment and development of emerging talent including school leavers, apprentices and graduates
- Providing expert information and insight to ISE member organisations, creating engaged communities for professional networking and sharing of best practice
- Delivering comprehensive research on a range of issues affecting graduate, intern and apprenticeship recruitment and development, including current and future trends and benchmarking data
- Investing in the professional development of members to enhance their skills and knowledge, maximising their career opportunities within the profession
- Influencing key policy areas affecting student employment and the education sector
- Building a strong professional organisation with the right structure and team capabilities to deliver the services and support members require to fulfil their objectives

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