

HETAC Statement of Mission

HETAC adopted an inaugural mission statement in 2002. This was reviewed as the transition period came to an end and a new statement of mission, vision and values was published in January 2006. The mission statement reads as follows:

HETAC is a public body, accountable to the Irish government and the Oireachtas, which exists to benefit learners and potential learners by:

- *Setting standards, accrediting programmes and awarding qualifications at all levels of higher education and training*
- *Providing assurance to the public that programmes of higher education and training are above an acceptable threshold level of quality and that objective quality assurance processes are in place to meet the expectations of Irish Society and the International Community*
- *Delivering a quality improvement service to accredited educational providers so as to contribute to raising standards to increasingly higher levels*

Source: HETAC Self-Evaluation Report (March 2006), page 19