Director Engagement Group

Dr Karen Treloar is an expert in economics, quality assurance and project management. For the past 10 years Karen has held director positions including Audit Director at the former Australian Universities Quality Agency (AUQA), RMIT University and TEQSA. In 2011, Dr Treloar completed a PhD in the innovation economy at Monash University. This followed the successful completion of Bachelor Degrees, Masters Degrees and post graduate qualifications in industrial relations, librarianship, economics and teaching and learning. Dr Treloar has strong leadership, strategy and collaboration skills. Her roles at TEQSA have varied, her work has recently involved the establishment of an Engagement Group and this has included coordinating all elements of international partnerships and overseeing partnerships with Australia's peak professional bodies such as NEAS, English Australia and international quality assurance agencies. Prior to this Karen ran a large team undertaking risk-based regulatory assessments across a range of Australian providers.

Further, Dr Treloar has strong skills in both in academic and corporate governance, developed through working with University and other Higher Education Providers over many years. Dr Treloar has also completed formal governance training through the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Finally, in 2016 Dr Treloar was responsible for an international project for APEC on the Quality Assurance of Online Learning and worked with many international colleagues to successfully complete this project for APEC member countries on behalf of the Australian Government.

I bring to the INQAAHE Board many skills including the ability to collaborate, build networks with stakeholders and work across jurisdictions. I have strong project management skills, understand governance and both vocation and higher education. I am also results oriented and pragmatic. I am fascinated by the many changing approaches to higher education globally and the need to consider evolving approaches to quality that flow on from these changing paradigms.