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Group of Eight Farewells University of Adelaide Vice Chancellor

The Group of Eight wishes retiring University of Adelaide Vice Chancellor, Professor Warren Bebbington well in his retirement early next year.

Go8 Chief Executive, Vicki Thomson said Professor Bebbington has been a tireless advocate for a university sector where able students can always enter and succeed, whatever their economic circumstances.

“This in part has been driven by Professor Bebbington’s own experiences, which he wrote about recently for the Group of Eight.”

Describing his first visit to a university as a child, he noted that *‘As a child from a labourer’s family with no background of university study, it made an indelible impression on me, and sowed in my mind the first seed of awareness of what a university symbolised.’*

“It was this early experience which has shaped the reform agenda that Professor Bebbington has overseen at the University of Adelaide and that he has advocated for on the national stage through the Group of Eight and in his role as a Board member of Universities Australia,” Ms Thomson said.

The University of Adelaide Council has appointed Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) Professor Mike Brooks as Interim Vice-Chancellor from 1 May 2017.

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