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SkillsTech Australia welcomes federal minister

SkillsTech Australia welcomed Federal Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Science and Research Chris Evans to tour the almost complete $25-million Engineering Training Facility at the Acacia Ridge Training Centre on Wednesday 6 June.

SkillsTech Australia Institute Director Mary Campbell said the minister toured the Engineering Training Facility and $9.4-million Student Resource and Administration Facility which were both near completion at SkillsTech Australia’s Acacia Ridge Training Centre.

“The new 8000-square-metre Engineering Training Facility and administration facility is built by local construction company Northbuild,” Mrs Campbell said.

“During the course of the project, the company has been upskilling existing workers with funding from the $700 million National Workforce Development Fund and a contribution from the company.

“The new facilities will be officially opened later in the year and will complete the Engineering Automotive Precinct at Acacia Ridge offering technology enhanced instruction, simulators and a modern learning environment.

“The buildings also incorporate a number of sustainable design initiatives and the completion of these two buildings marks the end of the $200 million capital works program the State Government committed to SkillsTech Australia’s Acacia Ridge Training Centre.”

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