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The WSET (Wine & Spirit Education Trust) are pleased to announce that Antony Moss AIWS has joined its Senior Management Group in the role of Research & Development Director.

WSET's Chief Executive Ian Harris said, "This promotion reflects the additional strategic emphasis on the development of new programmes for WSET, and gives the R&D function an independent, company-wide role, detached from the WSET's London Wine & Spirit School and WSET Awards".

The first task for Antony will be the analysis of the recent research project undertaken by Wine Intelligence for the WSET, the results of which were initially presented at the London International Wine Fair on May 20th

Antony completed the WSET's Diploma in 2003 whilst at Sainsbury's before going on to join the WSET in 2004. Antony is currently working on the dissertation element of the Masters of Wine qualification after successfully passing the practical and theory exams at his first attempt

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## Editors Notes:

### Antony Moss, AIWS – Brief Resumé:

- Joined WSET in April 2004
- Worked for Sainsbury's, Thresher and S.H Jones before that.
- Joined wine trade in 1999, having previously worked as a research Physicist.
- Gained WSET Diploma while working for Sainsbury's (2003)
- Started on MW Program in 2006, passed Practical and Theory exams at first attempt in 2008
- Now working on MW dissertation, evaluating the provision of Sommelier training in the UK.

While at WSET,

- First projects:
- Update and redesign new Advanced Certificate textbook (2004)
- Conduct research exercise with employers, tutors and students (2004)

Later:

- Restructured and updated the WSET Intermediate certificate (2005)
- Wrote textbook and study materials for WSET intermediate certificate (2005)
- Main role is to liaise with the wine and spirits industry to ensure that the WSET products meet their training needs at every level

### WSET:

WSET is the largest global provider of education in wines and spirits and is approved by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority. WSET has been developing the trade professional for over 39 years, and in academic year 2006/2007 over 21,000 candidates sat a WSET examination. WSET currently has qualifications available in 41 countries and in 11 languages. Find out more about WSET at [www.wsetglobal.com](http://www.wsetglobal.com)

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