

MEDIA RELEASE

Energy security: a matter of national importance

The Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA) and Australian Homeland Security Research Centre are jointly hosting a symposium on Energy Security and its implications for national security and international relations on 6 May 2009 in Canberra.

This symposium aims to update energy, national security, international relations and emergency service practitioners on developments which affect the continuity of energy supply domestically and internationally.

Topics being covered include how the global financial crisis will affect energy security, an outline of why energy security is a national security priority and Australian Government energy security initiatives.

“The Energy Security symposium aims to develop cross-industry networks which will result in a greater access to and sharing of information about this important issue. We also look forward to hearing from key experts on this issue such as... **(Insert some here)**” says Australian Homeland Security’s Director, Athol Yates.

Energy Security is a relevant topic for everyone who has an interest in:

- National Security
- International Affairs
- Energy Policy
- Energy Industry
- Development agencies
- Emergency and disaster management
- Critical infrastructure protection

Registrations for the event are being taken at <http://www.energysecurity.org.au/>

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