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ABOUTUS

Founded in 1933 from member organisations that date their establishment to the 1920s, the Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA) is Australia's longest-existing private research institute on international issues. The AIIA operate as a federation, with a National Office based in Canberra and branches located across all states and territories.

The AIIA's membership is broad based, ranging from distinguished foreign policy practitioners and academics to interested individuals with no professional or formal scholarly background in the subject. The AIIA is also geographically broad. It is the only institute of its kind with branches in every state and territory in Australia. The AIIA works closely with, but is independent from, Australian government departments, particularly the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. It receives most of its income from membership fees, sponsorship, donations, royalties, and project contracts.



OURMISSION

KNOW, UNDERSTAND, ENGAGE

Our mission is to help Australians know, understand, and engage more in international affairs. It does this through an extremely active nationwide and international agenda, grounded in principles of political neutrality and open debate. While its staff may express opinions of their own, the institute itself is precluded by its constitution from maintaining a political position on international affairs.

The AIIA holds more than 150 events across the country each year, attracting more than 10,000 registrants. Most of these events are now accessible online, both live and as recordings. These events range from intimate discussions and workshops to large lectures, conferences, and seminars which provide forums for debate. Throughout its history, the AIIA has been involved in the key debates of international relations through its publications.

The AIIA currently publishes the Australian Journal of International Affairs, Australia's premier academic journal in the field, and Australia in World Affairs, a series published every five years to assess Australian foreign policy and international relations. It also publishes occasional papers and the Australian Outlook, a popular online publication featuring short articles and a weekly summary of events in Australian foreign policy. Our regular Australia in the World Podcast series also include commentary by Australian and international experts on international current affairs.



OUR PEOPLE



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OUR FELLOWS

In 2008, to celebrate its 75th anniversary, the Australian Institute of International Affairs launched a Fellows program to recognise exceptional contributions to Australia's international relations. The overriding criterion for selection is a person with a strong connection to Australia who has achieved a very high level of distinction in and made a distinguished contribution to, international affairs. Nominations received are assessed in confidence by a selection committee made up of members of AIIA's National Executive and, once appointed, existing Fellows.

2023 FELLOWS



Professor Pal Ahluwalia



Professor Sara Davies



Dr Stephanie Fahey



Professor Meg Keen



Zara Kimption OAM



Richard Maude



Richard McGrego



Professor Rory Medcalf



Fiona Simson



Peter Woolcott AO



2008 - 2022 FELLOWS

2022 FELLOWS

Professor Geremie Barmé
Darren Godwell
Professor Evelyn Goh
Jane Halton AO PSM
Professor Rikki Kersten
Dr Tony Press AO
Morry Schwartz AM
Natasha Stott Despoja AO
Nick Warner AO PSM

2021 FELLOWS

The Honourable Frances Adamson AC
Stan Grant
Dr Meg Gurry
Major General (retd) Duncan Lewis
AO DSC CSC
Dr Heather Smith PSM
The Honourable Warwick Smith AO
Gary Quinlan AO
Professor Jacqui True FASSA

2020 FELLOWS

Professor Nick Bisley
Professor Caitlin Byrne
Peter Grey
Miles Kupa
Professor Bill Maley AM FASSA
Professor Tessa Morris-Suzuki

2019 FELLOWS

Melissa H. Conley Tyler
Professor Stephen Cordner AM
Michael Costello AO
Sir Rod Eddington AO
Andrew Forrest AO
Professor Anthony Milner AM FASSA
Andrew Parker
Professor Shirley Scott

2018 FELLOWS

The Honourable Julie Bishop MP
Emeritus Professor Peter Boyce AO
Sean Dorney
Linda Jakobson
Paul Kelly
Professor Tim Lindsey AO
Murray McLean AO
Helen Szoke AO
Professor Michael Wesley

2017 FELLOWS

Colin Chapman
John W. H. Denton AO
Dr Helen Durham AO
Helen Evans AO
Bill Farmer AO
John Menadue AO
Professor Ramesh Thakur
Michael Thawley AO

2016 FELLOWS

Dr Sue Boyd AM
Dr Alison Broinowski AM
Clive Hildebrand AM
Martine Letts
Greg Sheridan AO
Professor Russell Trood
Peter Varghese AO
Tony Wheeler AO & Maureen Wheeler AO

2015 FELLOWS

The Honourable Kim Beazley AC
Geraldine Doogue AO
The Honourable Alexander Downer AC
Dr Ken Henry AC
David Irvine AO
The Honourable Michael Kirby AC CMG
Professor John Ravenhill
Elizabeth Reid AO FASSA
The Honourable Penny Wensley AC

2014 FELLOWS

Professor Desmond Ball AO Reverend Tim Costello AO Philip Flood AO Jenny McGregor AM Geoffrey Miller AO Emeritus Professor Gillian Triggs AC

2013 FELLOWS

Professor James Cotton AM
Professor James Crawford AC
Professor Harold Crouch
Rawdon Dalrymple AO
Erika Feller Hugh Morgan AC
Dennis Richardson AC
Tony Walker AM

2012 FELLOWS

Professor Joan Beaumont AM
Rowan Callick OBE
Dr Francis Gurry AO
Professor Stuart Harris AO
Professor John Legge AO
Professor Wang Gungwu AO CBE
Professor Samina Yasmeen AM

2011 FELLOWS

Graeme Dobell
Emeritus Professor Peter
Drysdale AO
Joanna Hewitt AO
The Honourable Professor Robert Hill AC
Professor Neville Meaney
Colleen Ryan
Professor Hugh White AO
Garry Woodard

2010 FELLOWS

Professor Bruce Grant
Allan Gyngell AO
Professor Helen Hughes AO
Dr Janet Hunt
James Ingram AO
Baillieu Myer AC
Ric Smith AO PSM

2009 FELLOWS

Professor Hilary Charlesworth AM
Professor Jocelyn Chey AM
Professor Peter Edwards AO
The Honourable Elizabeth Evatt AC
Owen Harries
John McCarthy AO
Emeritus Professor Nancy Viviani AO
Denis Warner OBE

2008 FELLOWS

Dr Coral Bell AO
The Honourable Gareth Evans AC QC
Dr Stephen FitzGerald AO
Hamish McDonald
Dr Robert O'Neill AO
Lieutenant General John Sanderson AC
James Wolfensohn KBE AO
Richard Woolcott AC





National President

Having served as National President of the Australian Institute of International Affairs since April 2023, it remains a privilege to lead an organisation committed to fostering informed dialogue on global issues. In a world facing continued uncertainty and transformation, our mission is more critical than ever.

Reflecting on the past year, we have navigated significant geopolitical shifts, emerging challenges, and evolving opportunities. The need for informed, respectful, and diverse discussions on global affairs has only grown. We live in an era where the complex interdependence that we have grown used to is breaking down. Meanwhile solutions to climate change, security tensions, technological advancements, and economic shifts still require collaborative and forward-thinking responses. Our role, as an independent and non-partisan institute, is to provide the space and resources for meaningful debate, research, and engagement across sectors.

As we move forward, I am encouraged by the dynamism and dedication of our members, volunteers, and partners. The AIIA's continued efforts—through public programs, research initiatives, and youth engagement—ensure that we remain at the forefront of Australia's international discourse. Strengthening our global connections, fostering informed leadership, and promoting a deeper understanding of international affairs remain key priorities.

I extend my sincere gratitude to all who contribute to our mission. It is through our collective efforts that we can continue to elevate Australia's engagement with the world and make a meaningful impact. I look forward to another year of collaboration, insight, and progress as we navigate the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead.



Dr Heather Smith PSM FAIIA



Chief Executive Officer

I am delighted to present the Annual Review for the Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA) for the fiscal year 2023-24. This year has been marked by continued growth, engagement, and impact, reinforcing our dedication to strengthening Australia's role in global affairs.

A standout moment was our highly successful National Conference, which built upon the momentum of previous gatherings. With record attendance, the event facilitated robust discussions on pressing global issues. The gala dinner at the National Arboretum, featuring a keynote address by former Japanese Prime Minister Aso Taro, underscored the AIIA's commitment to fostering meaningful conversations on global diplomacy and policy.

Our international engagement has expanded significantly. Collaborations with esteemed institutions such as the Japan Foundation and the Korea Foundation have continued to drive impactful research and dialogue on Indo-Pacific security. Additionally, study tours to key regional partners, including Japan and Taiwan, have provided emerging leaders in foreign affairs with invaluable firsthand experiences.

The AIIA's global presence has been further strengthened through strategic prospects with key international partners. From India to the United States, Germany to the Pacific, these engagements have reinforced vital connections that will drive new initiatives and collaborations in the coming year.

Over the 2023-24 fiscal year, the AIIA has remained dedicated to nurturing the next generation of international affairs professionals through our Internship Program. Interns at the AIIA engage in a wide range of activities, including research assistance, event coordination, and media monitoring. We take pride in the contributions of our interns and look forward to welcoming new cohorts as we continue to expand the program.

As we look ahead, we warmly welcome new team members, including Emily Mosley, our new National Operations Manager. We also extend our immense gratitude to the branches of the AIIA, whose dedicated staff and volunteers organize the majority of the 160 AIIA events held nationwide each year. Their unwavering commitment is the backbone of our success, and we deeply appreciate their hard work and dedication.

Thank you for your continued support. Together, we look forward to achieving even greater milestones in the years to come.



Dr Bryce Wakefield

(I) AIIA IN THE MEDIA

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Email 25K+

15K LinkedIn Followers

X (Twitter) 406K Impressions

Facebook Followers

Facebook Page likes 5.2K

YouTube

• **572,800** Views

Hours watched **151,100**

14.2K

Subscribers



AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS





Professor Joanne Wallis & Dr Tim Legrand Editors in Chief

The Australian Journal of International Affairs (AJIA) is moving from strength to strength. Our contributors' articles are reaching a wider audience than ever, with an increase in readership of more than 50% over the last year. This is reflected in our international reputation, and we are delighted that the journal has risen to Q1 on the Scimago Journal & Country Rank, which is the major platform used by universities to assess the impact and quality of academic journals.

The return to Q1 ranking has made the AJIA a more desirable destination for scholars. We have seen a substantial increase in the quality and quantity of our article submissions, rising from 151 submissions in 2022 to 265 in 2024. The increase in the quality of submissions has contributed to a major increase in downloads of AJIA articles, rising from 146,535 in 2022 to 212,866 in 2024.

The notable increase in downloads has also been assisted by the efforts of our Managing Editor Dr Adela Alfonsi to advertise the AJIA across relevant social media platforms. Adela manages AJIA accounts on X [Twitter] and Bluesky. The account on X has thousands of followers, and the Bluesky account is rapidly catching-up. There is significant engagement with journal content on both sites. We are also pleased to see more of our authors publishing op-eds in *Australian Outlook*, and there has been some good engagement with our authors on other media sites.

AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Our Q1 ranking has also made the AJIA a more attractive target for scholars seeking to publish special issues. In 2024 we published a special issue (issue 2) on 'Anticipating the Future of War: AI, Automated Systems, and Resort-to-Force Decision Making' guest edited by Prof Toni Erskine (ANU) and Steven E. Miller (Harvard); a special section about the Australia-New Zealand alliance (issue 5) guest edited by Joanne Wallis (Adelaide) and Anna Powles (Massey); and in issue 6 we will publish a special issue on 'Minilateralism Renaissance: Theoretical Ambitions and Empirical Realties' guest edited by Jagannath Panda (Warsaw) and Daewon Ohn (Hankuk).

In 2024 we refreshed and expanded the AJIA Editorial Board to ensure that it was more inclusive and reflective of the scholars who contribute to the AJIA. Our Board now has an almost even gender split, and almost half of the members are from diverse cultural backgrounds from the region and Australia. While we tried to include First Nations scholars on our Board, each of the potential members we approached declined due to their existing commitments. However, we will continue our efforts.

While the recent introduction of artificial intelligence in Taylor & Francis production processes constitutes a major new challenge for authors and editors, we are otherwise looking forward to 2025.



AUSTRALIAN OUTLOOK

Between 1 July 2023 and 30 June 2024, Australian Outlook has continued to serve as a critical platform for debate and discussion on foreign affairs, significantly contributing to the discourse on international relations through a variety of publications.

This year also brought to light the importance of addressing complex global issues such as North Korean abductions, the sudden death of Iran's president, and advancing Australia's leadership in Pacific and climate discussions at the G20 summit.

As we move into the next financial year, Australian Outlook is committed to further expanding our scope of analysis, enhancing our engagement with global and domestic audiences, and continuing to provide a platform for informed and respectful discourse on foreign policy.

ARTICLES378

• BOOK REVIEWS 50

THIS WEEK IN AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN AFFAIRS 48

TOTAL PUBLICATIONS 476



Dr Adam Bartley Editor in Chief



AUSTRALIAN OUTLOOK KEY TOPICS OF FOCUS



- High-profile political events including the US Presidential debates and elections in France, the UK, the US, Russia, and Portugal.
- Detailed coverage of ongoing international conflicts and strategic alliances, such as the Ukraine war, AUKUS submarine developments, and the implications of Sweden's NATO membership.
- Insightful analysis on the dynamics of global power, particularly examining the US-China relations, Russian disinformation campaigns, and the geopolitical implications of relationships between China and Russia.
- Critical social and political issues including the impact of the Taliban's rule in Afghanistan, Myanmar's coup, modern slavery, and the influence of big tech on disinformation.
- Regional developments in Southeast Asia, focusing on authoritarianism, Vietnam's Barbie ban, and the RCEP trade agreement.

CONTRIBUTORS

Over 75 professors, alongside numerous experts and practitioners, enriching our content with diverse academic and professional insights.

FRESH PERSPECTIVES We have broadened Australia's diversity with 52 fresh perspectives in the field, highlighting emerging scholars and practitioners.





NATIONAL OFFICE EVENTS

In 2023-2024, the AIIA National Office continued to lead meaningful discussions on global issues, organizing diverse events in Australia and overseas. Highlights included the launch of the "Indo-Pacific Cooperation Network" in partnership with the Japan Foundation, fostering collaboration among next-generation professionals on disaster resilience, and hosting flagship events like the Korea Forum.

Themed "Navigating the Perfect Storm: Australian Foreign Policy and the Polycrisis", the AIIA 2023 National Conference brought together some of Australia's most prominent international affairs experts examining new developments in international affairs and the place of Australian foreign policy within them. In 2024, the AIIA celebrated its 100 years of leadership in international affairs.



NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2023

"The AIIA National Conference has been a part of [the national] conversation, providing an opportunity for a cross section of the foreign policy community to come together and to share perspectives on the challenges and opportunities that we have faced as a nation."

-Then Foreign Minister Senator the Honourable Marise Payne, 2018.

The AIIA National Conference is Australia's leading event on Australian foreign policy. Themed "Navigating the Perfect Storm: Australian Foreign Policy and the Polycrisis", the 2023 conference hosted around 400 attendees, including distinguished guests who shape the nation's policies including ministers, academics, top government officials and industry leaders.

Speakers for the 2023 conference included ASŌ Tarō, former Prime Minister of Japan, Egils Levits, president of Latvia (2019-2023), Tim Watts, assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs in Australia, Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, Leader of the Opposition in the Senate.

Through thought-provoking discussions and expert insights, the conference reinforced its reputation as a cornerstone event in fostering informed dialogue on Australia's position in an increasingly complex global environment.





INDO-PACIFIC COOPERATION NETWORK 2023-2024

In 2023, in partnership with the Japan Foundation, the National Office pioneered the 'Indo-Pacific Cooperation Network', a network of **next** generation professionals focused on 'Disaster Resilience' issues in the Indo-Pacific region.

The yearlong program consisted of three main components: a study tour and research sessions in Japan in September 2023, participation in masterclasses and the Australian Institute of International Affairs National Conference in Canberra in November 2023, and a study tour to Fiji and Tonga in March 2024. Study tours focused on each nation's disaster resilience measures, with visits to sites affected by disasters and meetings with key figures in government, academia, media and civil society focused on disaster mitigation and response.

Over the course of the program, participants have developed their research during a series of tours and meetings across Japan, Australia and the South Pacific to connect with fellow future leaders, and to produce a final publication and/or policy recommendations toward regional cooperation. During the program, participants worked in small groups to conduct their own research activities and exchange ideas online. The activities of the network were covered in Japanese and Australian newspapers, and on Fiji's major television news program.

AllA Chief Executive Officer Dr Bryce Wakefield believes the group has real momentum. He says: "Network members have shown that they have created bonds of friendship and professionalism that will last a lifetime. Members of the network, who did not know each other before, are already collaborating on projects that are outside of the bounds of the original project." He thinks the network has real "staying power" and is looking forward to facilitating lasting connections of the network in the future.





KOREA FORUMS

In partnership with the Korea Foundation, the AIIA National Office hosts the annual Korea Forums, fostering critical discussions on South Korea's evolving role in the Indo-Pacific.

The **2023 Korea Forum** at Queensland Parliament highlighted South Korea's position amidst potential great power conflicts, covering regional security, Japan-Korea relations, foreign policy, and the impact of gender policies and pop culture. Building on this, the **2024 Korea Forum** explored the implications of South Korea's Indo-Pacific Strategy for Australia, focusing on its alignment with frameworks like the Quad, AUKUS, and the Australia-Japan-US trilateral arrangement.

Through expert contributions from South Korea, Australia, and beyond, the Forums offered valuable perspectives on South Korea's foreign policy within the Indo-Pacific context. These Forums are a testament to AIIA's commitment to fostering informed dialogue on global affairs and creating spaces for meaningful exchange between experts, academics, and future leaders.





NextGen Study Tour Taiwan

The National Office hosted a study tour to Taiwan as part of the NextGen network. This immersive program offered a unique opportunity to explore Taiwan's political landscape, cultural heritage, and societal values at a critical moment leading up to its impending elections.

The delegation engaged with Taiwan's three major political parties, discussing policy shifts and future strategies. Think tanks and organizations provided key insights into their research efforts, resilience-building, and their contributions to strengthening Taiwan's democratic foundations. These discussions highlighted the shared values between Taiwan and Australia, particularly regarding democracy and societal priorities.

The tour combined formal commitments, counterpart visits, cultural immersion, and leisure activities, creating a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Such initiatives by AIIA continue to inspire the next generation of leaders, fostering deep connections and understanding within the Indo-Pacific region.



Branch Events

The National Office supports the branches of the AIIA by advertising all their events across the country each week following as the list of events that the branches held, and national office advertised.

2023-2024

July 2023

• Critical Minerals as Tools of Economic Statecraft, Namali Mackay

• Views of and from the Pacific Neighbourhood, Dame Meg Taylor, and Stefan Armbruster

QLD

• Empowering Women as Peace Advocates against Political Violence, Dr. Kiriloi M. Ingram

• Film Screening – 'A Rising Fury' Documentary

- CommunicAsian: How Asia's Rise Is Shaping the Future of Communications, and How to Plan for It, Oliver Stelling
- South Asia Conference 2023 Trade and Security
- Shifty Shades of Grey: the Dark Fleet Shipping Sanctioned Oil around the World, Michelle Wiese Bockmann

VIC

- Thunder from the Silent Zone: Rethinking China, Dr Paul Monk
- Revealing Secrets: An Unofficial History of Australian Signals Intelligence and the Advent of Cyber, Professor John Blaxland FAIIA, Clare Birgin, and Professor the Hon Gareth Evans AC KC FASSA FAIIA
- Meet the Ambassador Cuba, HE Mrs Tanieris Dieguez la O, and Professor Adrian Hearn





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WA	 Young Professional Network: Simulating Future Crises in the Indo-Pacific -The Shadow of Chinese Nationalism, Dr Andrew Chubb China's Western Indian Ocean Step Up, Dr Kate O'Shaughnessy
SA	 Muslims, Politics and Interfaith Relations, Mohammad Abdalla AM Stronger together: Working with the Nordics on the great challenges of our times, Kerin Ayyalaraju
NSW	 The importance of cultural industries and soft power diplomacy: Canada's experience, André François Giroux, and Jerome de Baecque A global trading system fit for purpose: can law and diplomacy work together?, Weihuan Zhou "The Palestine Laboratory", Antony Loewenstein

August 2023		
QLD	 'Forgotten Warriors' A History of Women on the Front Line, Associate Professor Sarah Percy Growth Among Neighbours: Queensland as Australia's Pacific State, Leata Alaimoana 	
	 A Strategic Analysis of the Russo-Ukraine War: An Update, Richard Iron CMG OBE Border Crossings: My Journey as an Outsider, Mohammad 	
VIC	 Chowdhury, and the Hon. Jaala Pulford The Myanmar Conflict and its Implications in the Indo-Pacific's Strategic Competition Landscape, Dr Miemie Winn Byrd, Lt. Col. U.S. Army (Ret.) 	
	 The Besieging of an Open City: Where is Hong Kong Heading? Rowan Callick OBE FAIIA, Kevin Yam 	



WA	 National security in a disrupted world, Dr Carolyn Bull Australia's key international issues in 2023 : a conversation with the Honourable Tony Abbott AC
ACT Branch	 Latin American perspectives on the Asia-Pacific, HE Arturo Cabrera-Hidalgo, HE Jaime Chomali, and Diana Carvajal Toscano Bangladesh in the Asia Pacific Region, H.E. M. Allama Siddiki
SA	 Modern Slavery: Why It's Every Australian's Business, Dr Katherine Christ Mastermind Shinzo Abe: Contribution and Legacy, Purnendra Jain
NSW	 Careers Evening 2023, Alex Goddard, Grace Stanhope, and Alex Volk Is India Turning Authoritarian? Professor Rahul Mukherji Managing Past, Present and Future Pandemics, Raina McIntyre
TAS	 Antarctic and Southern Ocean ecosystems: a conversation with David Agnew, Dr David Agnew, and Harriet Baillie
September 2023	
QLD	Seafaring Diplomacy: The Politics of Large Marine Protected Areas in the Pacific, Dr. Mélodie Ruwet
VIC	 Japan-Australia Security and Defence Cooperation, Lieutenant General (Ret.) ISOBE Koichi Australia's Relations with the Middle East, Roland Jabbour OAM, Professor Sally Totman, Dr Rodger Shanahan, James Bryan, Professor Shahram Akbarzadeh International Careers Conference 2023, Mick Ryan



AllA ACT Branch 2023 Annual General Meeting, Professor Michele Acuto **ACT Branch** • Mongolia's Foreign Policy: Northeast Asia, FM Battsetseg Matmunkh **NSW** • Intern Debate: "That Australia is a suitable host for COP31" • The Green Climate Fund as a Mechanism for Climate Action **TAS** and Justice, Dr Ruth Adler GAICD October 2023 • Climate Overshoot and the Path to COP28, Jonathan Symons **NSW** Alla NSW AGM • Russia and the Ukraine War, Graeme Gill · AIIA Qld Annual Dinner with Senator Murray Watt QLD AIIA Queensland AGM 2023 Young Professionals Networking Night, Bardie Barclay-Sutton, and Domenica Moreno (Dommi) • Young Professionals Career Fundamentals Masterclass Series 2023, Mohammad Chowdhury, Richard Iron CMG OBE, and Josh Rose • The Echidna Strategy: Australia's Search for Power and Peace, Sam Roggeveen VIC • Russia's War Against Ukraine: The Whole Story. Professor Mark Edele Young Professionals - Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Peoples in Latin America, Dr Erin Watson, Dr Mirella C Gavidia, Dr Carol Hullin, and Dr Raul Sanchez Urribarri The Island Whose Fate Determines Australia's: Taiwan, Rowan Callick OBE FAIIA

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	ACT Branch	 Talking up the Bush Capital Abroad: How the ACT Engages Internationally, Brendan Smyth
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	November 2023	
	ACT Branch	 Multilateral Processes and Great Power Influence in Australia's Region with the Shanghai Institutes of International Studies
	NSW	 After stabilisation: Future challenges in Australia-China bilateral relations, Yun Jiang An Evening with the Interns Thailand: Moving forward?, Aim Sinpeng
1	QLD	Divided Isles: Solomon Islands and the China Switch, Ed Cavanough

VIC

- AIIA Victoria 2023 Annual General Meeting
- Chinese Style Modernisation: Promoting Chinese Morality and Civilisation as Alternatives to Western Liberalism
- Conference on Post-Putin Russia
- Young Professionals Study Tour Canberra 2023



WA	 Mongolia's Foreign Policy and Policy towards North East Asia, HE Davaasuren Damdinsuren Canada's engagement with the Indo-Pacific, HE Mark
	Glauser
ACT Branch	 The Middle East Outlook and its implications for Australia, Dr. Bob Bowker
	Emergent Track Networking Mixer
SA	 Foreign Policy and Trade Outlook, Patricia Holmes, and Professor Peter Draper
NSW	 The Middle East - has anything really changed?, Professor the Hon Bob Carr
	Islamisation trend in Malaysia, Dr Zatul Himmah Adnan
TAS	 Antarctic Geopolitics: Past, Present and Future, Professor Shirley Scott, Dr Lyn Goldsworthy AM, Adjunct Professor Marcus Haward, Dr Indi Hodgson-Johnson, Associate Professor Jeffrey McGee, and Adjunct Professor Tony Press AO

December 2023	
NSW	 Space activities: challenges to safety and security, Professor Steven Freeland
QLD	 AIIA Queensland - Trivia Night What is China's View? A conversation with Dr Ruan Zongze
ACT Branch	The Risk of Major War Between China and the United States + Christmas Party, Dr Ross Babbage
VIC	 Young Professionals End of Year Trivia Night The Russian Pacific Fleet 2023-2030 - Implications for Australia's National Security and Defence, Dr Alexey D. Muraviev



January 2024

QLD

• Where Will Taiwan's New Team Take the Island – and the Indo-Pacific?

VIC

• The Backstage of Ukraine's Democratisation Progress, Viktoriya Bryndza

February 2024	
NSW	The Middle East - has anything really changed?, Hattie Shane
QLD	 Ukraine: A Rebounding Economy Under Fire, Roman Waschuk Engaging China for a Sustainable Asia - Strategic Issues for 2024, Dr. Christoph Nedopil
VIC	 16th Sir Zelman Cowen Oration and Dinner, Professor Sharon Lewin AO, FRACP, PhD, FAHMS Ukraine – A View from Poland and the Baltic States, Dr Paul Monk Democracy in Decline?, Emeritus Professor Damien Kingsbury

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March 2024	
	 Climate Politics in Oceania: Renewing Australia-Pacific Relations in a Warming World, Caitlin Byrne, and Susan Harris Rimmer
	Climate Politics in Oceania, Wesley Morgan
QLD	 Locked-up Country: Learning the Lessons from Australia's COVID-19 Response, Shahar Hameiri
	 The 2024 Indonesian Election: What a Prabowo Presidency Means for Indonesia's Domestic and Foreign Policy, Dr. Greta Nabbs-Keller, Dr. Ahmad Umar and Benjamin Seumahu
	The Assassination of Alexei Navalny, Dr Robert Horvath, and Petr Kuzmin
VIC	 Indonesia's Election, Professor Tim Lindsey AO FAIIA, and Rowan Callick OBE FAIIA
	 Young Professionals IWD Networking Night, Maddie Crothers, and Megan Kaiser
WA	From Ideas to Impact: A Discussion with Michael Sheldrick
ACT Branch	 Australia's Naval Expansion: Strategies and Capabilities, Jennifer Parker APEC Peru 2024: Empowerment, Inclusion and Growth in the Pacific HE Vitaliana Callardo Valencia
	Pacific, HE Vitaliano Gallardo Valencia
SA	 Legal Education in China and Xi Jinping Thought, Roderick O'Brien Navigating Multilateralism as a Young Professional, Ching Wei
	Sooi
NSW	 Miscarriages of justice and judicial corruption in Indonesia, Simon Butt
TAS	 Dying to Tell the Story; Why frontline journalism has never been more important, Peter Greste



April 2024 Building Australia's China Expertise: How to Fix the Generational Pipeline, Anne Mclaren **NSW** • Korea: the next hotspot? Duyeon Kim, Richard Broinowski ΑO • A Blossoming Alliance: Australian and Japanese Foreign Relations, Dr. Michael Vaughan • Security, Defence and the New Lithuanian Geopolitical QLD Reality: The 20th Anniversary of NATO Membership, Darius Degutis Six Issues to Unlock Asia-Pacific's Global Leadership in Sustainable Development • Young Professionals Trivia and Networking Night Exploring Nigeria-Australia Bilateral Relations Opportunities • Delivering Justice for War Crimes in Ukraine, Tirana Hassan, Mohammad Chowdhury • Meet the Ambassador - Fiji · An Evening with Richard Fontaine CEO, Center for a New American Security, Richard Fontaine • The Geopolitical Landscape in 2024, Richard Fontaine, Richard Iron CMG OBE VIC • Feminist Foreign Policy vs Militarisation • Professor Alessio Patalano, Dept. of War Studies, King's College London, Professor Alessio Patalano, Richard Iron CMG OBE • Young Professionals - Gender and the Global Climate Crisis, Tevvi Bullock, Pruya Dhanani, and Samanthi J. Gunawardana

Eldon, Dale Heinken



• Is Victoria's Defence Manufacturing Sector ready for AUKUS?, Mohammad Chowdhury, Regina Crameri, Liam

• Australia-Philippines Bilateral Relations, Her Excellency HK

May 2024

ACT Branch

- Historians at the Memorial, Dr Karl James
- Housing the Pacific: challenges and solutions, Dr Bernadette Pinnell

NSW

- Ukraine, NATO expansion and a new cold war, Tom Switzer
- "China's Galaxy Empire", John Keane

- Middle Powers in a Contested Space: The Netherlands and Australia as Logical Partners, H.E.
 Ardi Stoios- Braken
- From Genocide to One of the Fastest Growing Economies: Dissecting Rwanda's Post-Genocide Recovery, H.E. Jean de Dieu Uwihanganye

QLD

- Virtual Peace: The Effects of Digital Technologies on Women's Participation in Peace Processes, Dr. Outi Donovan
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