

GOVERNMENT POLICY REFORM



New Social Policy Approaches for Sharing Risk

Innovative uses of income contingent loans for sharing risk in a range of policy areas

Launch by Professor Andrew Leigh, ANU

Thursday 22 April

5.30 - 7.00pm

Drinks and light refreshments will be served

Springbank Room

The (new) Crawford Building [adjoined to Old Canberra House]

Lennox Crossing, Acton Peninsula

Australian National University

About the Project



Australian Government

Australian Research Council

www.incomecontingentloans.org

The Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia recently received funding from the Australian Research Council for a research project titled 'New social policy approaches for sharing risk.'

Featuring contributions from some of Australia's foremost and emerging influential social scientists, including: **Bruce Chapman, Linda Botterill, Amanda Denniss, Bob Gregory, Tim Higgins, Boyd Hunter, Dehne Taylor, Glenn Withers and Meng Yuan.**

The project explains the use of an exciting new financial instrument for governments, known as income contingent loans to significantly improve the provision of paid parental leave, drought relief, R & D funding and mature aged training income support, among others.

This event marks the launch of the project's findings which are published on a website and contained in a special 2009 issue of the *Australian Journal of Labour Economics* (vol. 12, no. 2). Copies of the journal will be available at the launch .

The website includes videos from the project's researchers outlining their findings, and a lecture from Harvard Business School Professor, David Moss, which introduces the idea of government as risk manager. The special issue of the journal provides detailed information with the complete outcomes of the project.

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