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G20'S POLICY CHALLENGES  
FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

11-12 MARCH 2014

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## Asia and the Pacific Policy Society Conference 2014 program

**Time:** 11-12 March 2014

**Venue:** Molonglo Theatre, JG Crawford Building 132, ANU

**Host:** Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU College of Asia and the Pacific

**Partner:** Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

This year's conference focuses on the G20 agenda to support the Australian government and its hosting of the G20 leaders' meeting later in 2014. The Asia and the Pacific Policy Society Conference (APPS) 2014 brings together some of the world's leading scholars and practitioners from a diverse range of research fields for two days of dialogue to propose solutions to some of the region's and the world's most pressing policy challenges.

Over 20 internationally renowned scholars and practitioners will share research and insights in a program of public roundtables on critical issues including development policy; tax and transfer policy and social policy; energy policy; climate change and food policy.

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# APPS 2014 program

## DAY ONE - TUESDAY 11 MARCH

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- 8.30am            *Registration and coffee*
- 9am                **Welcome**  
**Professor Tom Kompas**  
Director, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU; President, Asia and the Pacific Policy Society;  
Editor-in-Chief, *Asia and the Pacific Policy Studies*
- 9.10am            **Keynote address (TBA)**
- 9.45am            **Pacific issues in the G20 agenda**  
**Sir Mekere Morauta (TBC)**  
Former Prime Minister, Government of Papua New Guinea
- 10.15am           *Discussion*
- 10.45am           *Morning tea*
- Development policy**
- 11.15am           **Energy subsidies and infrastructure reform**  
Chair: Professor Stephen Howes, Director, Development Policy Centre, Crawford School of  
Public Policy, ANU
- Topic one**  
**Dr Michael Carnahan**  
Chief Economist, Australian Aid, DFAT
- Energy subsidy reform: Lessons and implications**  
**Dr David Coady**  
Deputy Division Chief, Expenditure Policy Division, Fiscal Affairs Department, International  
Monetary Fund
- The Asian experience with power sector subsidies and reform**  
**Dr Shikha Jha**  
Principal Economist, Economics and Research Department, Asian Development Bank
- 12.45pm           *Lunch*

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## DAY ONE CONTINUED

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### Tax and transfer policy

2pm

#### Taxation reform and policy

Chair: Dr Ken Henry, Chair, ANU Public Policy Fellows program

##### **Topic one**

#### **Professor Patricia Apps**

Professor of Public Economics, University of Sydney

##### **Topic two**

#### **Dr John Hewson**

Former Leader of the Federal Opposition, Australia

##### **Topic three**

#### **Professor Miranda Stewart**

Professor, Tax Law and Policy, University of Melbourne

3.30pm

*Afternoon tea*

### Social policy

4pm

#### **Social policy in Asia and the Pacific: Facing the challenges of ageing, family change and inequality**

Chair: Professor Peter Whiteford, Director, Social Policy Institute, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU

##### **Topic one**

#### **Professor John Piggott**

Director of the ARC Centre of Excellence in Population Ageing Research (CEPAR), Australian School of Business, University of New South Wales

##### **What is the role of social pensions in Asia?**

#### **Professor Armando Barrientos**

Research Director, Brooks World Poverty Institute, The University of Manchester

##### **Population ageing and fertility and the challenges that demographic ageing pose for Singapore and the East Asian region**

#### **Professor Angelique Wei Ming Chan**

Department of Sociology, National University of Singapore

5.30pm

*Close*

7pm

*Welcome dinner (for speakers and chairs) - Venue TBC*

# APPS 2014 program

## DAY TWO - WEDNESDAY 12 MARCH

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9 am **Australia, G20 and the Asian Century**

### Energy policy

9.30am **Energy security challenges in Asia and the Pacific**

Chair: Professor Quentin Grafton, Executive Director, Australian National Institute of Public Policy, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU

#### **Energy security in North Asia**

**Masakazu Toyoda**

Chairman and CEO, The Institute of Energy Economics

#### **Global energy security: Prospects for the 21st century**

**Professor Aleh Cherp**

Department of Environmental Sciences and Policy, Central European University

#### **Energy security and the smart grid: Best practices and lessons for Australia and Asia**

**Jeannie Oliver**

Senior LLM Fellow, Institute for Energy and the Environment, Vermont Law School, US

**Dr Benjamin Sovacool**

Visiting Associate Professor, Senior Researcher for Energy Security and Justice, Institute for Energy and the Environment, Vermont Law School, US

11am *Morning tea*

### Climate change policy

11.30am **Reducing carbon emissions: Policy approaches and targets**

Chair: Associate Professor Frank Jotzo, Director, Centre for Climate Economics and Policy, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU

#### **Topic one**

**Anthea Harris**

Chief Executive Officer, Climate Change Authority, Australia

#### **Energy and climate policy in China: An assessment of critical issues**

**Professor Zhongxiang Zhang**

Distinguished Professor and Chairman, Department of Public Economics, Fudan University, China

#### **Topic three**

**Professor Daniel Murdiyarto**

Principal Scientist, Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR), Indonesia

1pm *Lunch*

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### Food policy

2pm

#### **Food challenges in the 21st century**

Chair: Professor Quentin Grafton, Executive Director, Australian National Institute of Public Policy, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU

#### **Topic one**

##### **Professor Charles Godfray**

Director, Oxford Martin Programme on the Future of Food, Oxford Martin School

#### **Meeting the Asian food security challenge**

##### **Julian Cribb**

Science writer, Julian Cribb and Associates

#### **Topic three**

##### **Assistant Professor Sudha Narayanan**

Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (IGIDR)

3pm

*Afternoon tea and close*



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