A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTORS

Running the ANU Centre for European Studies (ANUCES) in many ways resembles an extreme sport, and 2017 was no exception. We hosted the usual array of lectures, seminars, roundtables and cultural events. Mr David Ritchie AO delivered the 2017 Schuman Lecture, providing an Australian perspective on current developments in Europe. With our partner centres we hosted a major EU conference in Melbourne in October, and in November we launched the Konrad Adenauer Lecture Series, featuring Professor Dr Norbert Lammert. We once again partnered with the Australian Institute for International Affairs to support their national conference.

In this issue you can read all about our recent news and events, including our important collaborations with EU member states, our funding news and our policy work on the EU–Australia trade agreement, including the launch of our new book, *Australia, the EU and the New Trade Agenda* (ANU Press, 2017).

The end of 2017 is an especially significant time for our ANUCES community as we reflect on the achievements of more than 16 years of European Union Centres funding. At the end of this year our commitments under the 2014–17 EU Centres Grant will be finalised, and we move to a new phase of collaboration with the EU, its member states and stakeholders. We are proud to have partnered with the EU over many years to deliver our wide-ranging program. The many research, education and policy outcomes that owe their origins to these grants go well beyond the lists of obligations to be annually fulfilled, especially as the Centre’s capacity has grown. We thank the European Union, and particularly our colleagues in the Delegation of the European Union to Australia, for these many successful years of collaboration.

The new model consists of specific EU–related projects funded through the Erasmus Plus Jean Monnet initiative. We have been successful in securing four Jean Monnet grants in the 2016 and 2017 rounds — see page 2 for details — and these grants will determine our priorities and research focus in the New Year. It will be an important period of transition for our Centre community.

ANUCES has had many proud moments in 2017. There have been multiple higher degree submissions, many new publications, high level policy work and packed-house lectures. The Centre’s work on Brexit and the EU–Australia trade negotiations was formally honoured in November, with the presentation of the Vice Chancellor’s Award for Public Policy and Outreach. The celebrations provided a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the value of informed analysis of the European Union, and the importance of communicating our research findings beyond the edges of our campus.

Thank you to our partners and supporters for another busy, successful year. We wish all of our readers a safe and peaceful break, and we look forward to your continued support in 2018.
European Union grants success for the ANU Centre for European Studies

The ANU Centre for European Studies (ANUCES) has won three grants from the last round of the Jean Monnet Activities grant scheme, from the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency of the European Commission.

This is a great outcome for the teams that include faculty members from the ANU Fenner School of Environment and Society (Dr Katherine Daniell), the ANU College of Law (Anne McNaughton and Associate Professor Matthew Zagor), and the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences (Dr Laurence Brown).

The three grants include one Network grant and two Project grants. The Network grant, led by ANUCES Executive Director Professor Jacqueline Lo, is entitled ‘Politics, Policy, Culture: EU Migration and Integration’. It is focused on the study of third-country migrant integration in the European Union through the lenses of politics, policy, governance and culture.

A Project grant, also led by Professor Jacqueline Lo, is entitled ‘Europa Policy Labs’. It seeks to boost knowledge of the European Union across Australian government, industry and civil society.

A Project grant, also led by Professor Jacqueline Lo, is entitled ‘Understanding Geographic Indications’. It has several objectives: up-to-date compilation of the empirical evidence of geographical indicators (GIs) for Australia, NZ, and USA; critical assessment of the state of knowledge about GIs; and improve knowledge of GIs for policymaking and trade negotiations.

ANUCES put out a call for a Visiting Fellow to undertake the core work of the geographical indications project, with funds available for a three-month fellowship. The successful applicant will be announced before the end of 2017, with the work to be carried out through to March 2018.

A previous grant is also underway, led by Dr Annmarie Elijah. It is entitled ‘Understanding EU Trade: A Guide for Australian Stakeholders’, and consists of training workshops run in Canberra and other Australian states and territories. The training is designed to support stakeholders who may have little or no familiarity with the EU, giving them access to expertise and accessible materials on EU trade. The project seeks to ensure that Australian debate about the forthcoming trade negotiations is based on a sound understanding of the EU and its core values.

European Union Ambassador

The newly appointed European Union Ambassador to Australia, Dr Michael Pulch, will focus on trade, innovation and education.

Dr Pulch is pleased to come on board at an exciting time in the EU-Australia relationship.

‘We are about to hopefully start negotiating a free trade deal, which will significantly enhance our relationship. We also recently signed a Framework Agreement that upgrades our bilateral political cooperation and held our first EU-Australia Leadership Forum that brought together leaders from all sectors,’ Dr Pulch said.

‘Our interaction is expanding fast, to our mutual benefit. A clear example of this is the growing Australian involvement in the EU’s $A120 billion Horizon 2020 innovation program, where more than 80 Australian researchers are participating in programs worth more than $A300 million.

‘I would also encourage as many Australians as possible to participate in the Erasmus+ education program that has so far seen more than 360 Australians study in Europe since 2015.’

Dr Pulch is looking forward to contributing to bilateral relations and helping Australians engage more with the EU.

ANUCES collaboration with EU member states

Science Diplomacy Roundtable — The Single Market of European Research: Implications for Australia

This roundtable took place at ANUCES on 6 November as part of ‘Air’, the third Australia–Spain Research Forum. The event was hosted by the Association of Spanish Researchers in the Australia–Pacific (SRAP), and included a component called ‘Research Bites’, in which Spanish researchers from the Australia–Pacific region showcased their research.

Workshops — Advancing French–Australian Humanities and Social Sciences

ANU signed a Research Agreement with École des hautes études en sciences sociales (EHESS — School of Advanced Studies in Social Sciences) in 2016. This partnership was given further weight with the ANU–PSL Agreement (Paris Sciences and Letters Research University), of which EHESS is a member. The first series of interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary workshops to identify and develop projects and teams in the humanities and social sciences took place at ANUCES on 20–24 October and were open to all ANU faculty members. Three themes were explored: Networks of Culture, History and People; Temporalities of Political Configurations; and Environment(s): Concepts and Reinterpretations.

Seminar — Horizon 2020: Research Collaboration with the European Union

ANUCES hosted an information seminar on 7 November about the Horizon 2020 research funding program. Horizon 2020 is the biggest EU Research and Innovation program ever, with nearly €80 billion of funding available over seven years (2014–20). The seminar explored long–term research collaboration opportunities with Europe, and the larger benefits of international collaboration, in order to assist ANU researchers to identify and develop research links with Europe. The event was led by Dr Rado Faletić, Director, Projects and Communications, Montroix Pty Ltd. Dr Faletić is Australia’s foremost expert on Horizon 2020. He was joined by Professor Jacqueline Lo, Dr Katherine Daniell and other ANU researchers who have been successful in research schemes funded by EU member states, including Germany and France. For more information about Horizon 2020, visit: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/

Seminar — ‘Meet the Germans’: Study and Research Opportunities in Germany for Australian Students and Researchers

On 4 October ANUCES co–hosted a seminar about research and study opportunities in Germany for Australians, with representatives from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), the world’s largest funding organisation for the international exchange of students and researchers, funding over 100,000 persons per year. Since its foundation in 1925, DAAD has funded the academic mobility of over two million scholars around the globe. For this seminar ANUCES welcomed Professor Dr Joybrato Mukherjee, President of Justus, Liebig University Gießen, and Vice–President of DAAD, and Mr Stefan Bienefeld, Head of Division Development Cooperation and Transregional Programmes, DAAD. After the public seminar, our DAAD guests met with ANU representatives to discuss future collaborations with Germany. For more information about DAAD, visit: https://www.daad.de/en/
European Parliament Committee on International Trade (INTA) Delegation

A roundtable discussion took place at ANUCES on 1 November, attended by a delegation of INTA Members of Parliament. A range of issues were explored, particularly trade policy and the forthcoming trade agreement between Australia and the EU. Ambassador of the EU to Australia HE Dr Michael Pulch and DFAT Special Negotiator for the EU Free Trade Agreement Alison Burrows were in attendance. Members of the International Trade Committee in attendance were Klaus Buchner, Karoline Graswander-Hainz, Emma McClarkin, Adam Szejnfeld and Hannu Taikula. The delegation met with ANU trade experts from ANUCES, the Crawford School of Public Policy, the School of Regulation and Global Governance, and the ANU College of Law.

ANIP Internship Project: Interests of Business and Industry in Relation to the Australia–EU Free Trade Agreement

In November 2015, Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull together with senior officers of the European Union announced that a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between Australia and the EU would be pursued. Formal negotiations for the FTA are expected to begin shortly.

The aim of our research project was to understand the current trade environment between Australian industry and the EU; the extent to which Australian businesses trade with the EU; the barriers that Australian industry faces in this process; and whether or not there is potential for increased trade between the two under the proposed FTA. The project also aimed to find out what Australian businesses would like to have included in the FTA.

The hypothesis of our research project is that Australian businesses experience substantial trade barriers when trading with the EU, which could be alleviated by the looming Australia–EU FTA. We also hypothesise that Australian businesses believe there is greater trade potential in the EU that could be gained by the FTA.

A final hypothesis is that Australian industries wish to have lower tariffs on their imports and exports, an increase in quotas, and an increase in the transparency of FTA information regarding the negotiations.

All hypotheses are soundly informed by Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) stakeholder submissions posted on the DFAT website.

First, we examined the existing literature and DFAT stakeholder submissions on the Australia–EU FTA to be well informed for the second part of the research — the survey.

Second, we designed a qualitative survey that was given to Australian industries — members of the Australian Industry Group, the Export Council of Australia and the Australian Services Roundtable — who either already partake in, or have an interest in trade with the EU. The survey consisted of ten questions and provided the research project with the substance it needed to draw accurate and informed conclusions.

Third, semi-structured interviews were conducted with stakeholders and senior employees of Australian industries to clarify or enhance the survey findings.

The benefits of the research will flow to scholars and policymakers seeking to address the needs of Australian industries in the context of trade with the EU, and to the Australian industry participants who will have a report that outlines their views on the FTA.

View the survey at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8DB5H79

The interim report of this project is published as a Policy Note on the ANUCES website: http://bit.ly/2nvbrVn

Thomas Baker and Ayden O’Neill

EU training for the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

ANUCES delivered European Union training for Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) staff and other Australian Public Service staff working with Europe. The course took place on 30 March, then due to popular demand we ran a second session later in the year on 9 August. The course included presentations entitled ‘What to watch in the EU in 2017’, and ‘The EU–Australia Free Trade Agreement’.
The Australia and New Zealand School of Government (ANZSOG) together with ANUCES published this book, available now through ANU Press. Edited by Dr Annmarie Elijah, Mr Donald Kenyon AM, Professor Karen Hussey and Associate Professor Pierre van der Eng, this publication brings together diverse and deeply practical contributions to the forthcoming policy debate on the Australia–EU FTA, highlighting potential points of difficulty and possible gains from the agreement. Furthermore, it adds to the body of work reappraising the contemporary Australia–EU relationship, and provides a snapshot of current issues in trade policy—the ‘new trade agenda’—which is more complex and politically visible than ever.

The release of this book was first celebrated in Canberra on 23 August, when it was launched by the European Australian Business Council (EABC)’s Chief Executive Officer Jason Collins. The book was celebrated in Melbourne at the joint EU Centres’ conference at RMIT University on 16 October. It was then launched in Brussels on 25 October, marked by a forum discussion about the merits and opportunities of the Australia–EU Free Trade Agreement, hosted by the Australian Embassy and the European Centre for International Political Economy (ECIPE), attended by Mr Donald Kenyon AM and Associate Professor Pierre van der Eng. Mr Kenyon gave a speech at the event, a transcript of which is shown on the next page. The book was also launched in Sydney on 22 November at the EABC’s Annual General Meeting, with special guest the Hon Julie Bishop MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs. ANUCES intern Ayden O’Neill represented our Centre at this event. For more information on the book visit: http://bit.ly/2tmpYhl

New Trade Agenda to Shape Australia–EU Free Trade Agreement

Excerpt of an article by Associate Professor Pierre van der Eng and Mr Donald Kenyon AM on the Australian Institute of International Affairs website, 13 November

Australia and the EU could agree from the outset that the significance of the Australia–EU FTA lies well beyond tariffs and, therefore, could advance a greater good. If so, it would be unlikely that the negotiation process will be side-tracked by Great Britain leaving the EU. In fact, Brexit would increase the urgency of concluding the Australia–EU FTA, because Australian firms can no longer rely on a base in the UK to deliver Australian goods, services and investment into the much larger single market of the EU.

Speech by Mr Donald Kenyon AM given at the Australian Embassy in Brussels, 25 October

This book is the result of academic research that has led the editors to conclude that new opportunities for global trade liberalisation exist, which are best achieved multilaterally but also can be approached through ambitious FTAs, between reform oriented partners, as “stepping stones” to broader multilateral trade liberalisation.

The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) round of multilateral trade negotiations from 1986 to 1993, which ushered in the World Trade Organization (WTO) in 1994, delivered more trade liberalisation than any previous negotiation in the GATT since its inception in 1947.

It also recognised the emergence of a ‘New Trade Agenda’ (the subject of this book) that would lead to future international trade negotiations being increasingly focused on non-tariff barriers — especially arising from regulatory divergences — rather than on tariffs, as it was in the past.

These initial WTO negotiations recognised the increasing importance of the new trade agenda through the negotiation of a new set of trade rules for liberalising trade in services and with new agreements on technical barriers to trade and sanitary and phytosanitary measures.

Now Australia and the EU are to negotiate an FTA, in which dealing with non-tariff barriers will be an important element, if this trade agreement is to be genuinely liberalising.

The concluding chapter of this book, which will be my focus for the remainder of these remarks, picks up the trade reform challenge of the new trade agenda, in particular by focusing on mutual recognition as a mechanism for liberalising non-tariff barriers.

Mutual recognition plays its role as a liberalising mechanism for non-tariff barriers by recognising that differing regulatory requirements can be equivalent in circumstances:

a. where there is a shared high level of regulatory intent between partners,

b. where regulatory standards are at an equally high level and,

c. where high levels of trust between regulatory authorities exist.

As partners in the OECD, Australia and the EU share high regulatory standards, high equivalence of regulatory intent and trust in each other’s regulatory capacities.

Furthermore, mutual recognition is a liberalising mechanism already encompassed in the WTO agreements aimed at solving new trade agenda problems. In addition, mutual recognition is a liberalising tool that both the EU and Australia have positive experience with:

a. the EU in building the ‘single market’ through 1980s and 1990s,

b. Australia with its Mutual Recognition Agreement (1992) between the Australian States, which enables ‘goods sold lawfully in one Australian jurisdiction to be sold in other jurisdictions without having to meet additional requirements’ and,

c. extension of this agreement to New Zealand in the form of the Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Act in 1997.

An international agreement based on mutual recognition as a tool for liberalising non-tariff barriers, therefore, already exists between Australia and New Zealand.

The EU has developed a concept aimed at reinforcing mutual recognition as a liberalising mechanism. The concept of mutual evaluation was developed as an integral element of the EU Services Directive (2006), and requires individual member states to demonstrate that their regulatory requirements in the services sector will be ‘non-discriminatory’, ‘no more burdensome than necessary’ and ‘proportional’ to the attainment of a legitimate objective.

This ‘peer review/transparency’ process of mutual evaluation is designed to build trust and confidence and act as a ‘prior step’ to mutual recognition and a mechanism for dealing with the trade restrictive effect of regulatory divergences.

A detailed consideration of the mutual evaluation concept and the way it works to reinforce use of the mutual recognition
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mechanism to liberalise services within the EU single market is provided in the chapter by Anne McNaughton and Jacqueline Lo in this volume. The chapter also concludes that the mutual evaluation concept could have an application beyond services — to reinforce in effect mutual recognition as a mechanism for dealing with the trade restrictive effect of regulatory divergences in general.

Therefore, mutual recognition together with the mutual evaluation process, should provide effective mechanisms in Australia–EU FTA negotiations for neutralising the trade restrictive impacts of a wide range of regulatory divergences, e.g. manufacturing standards, food standards, veterinary and phytosanitary regulations, packaging and labelling standards, and sustainable production and environmental standards.

In services, mutual recognition should be capable of dealing with non-tariff barriers on a wide range of business and professional standards, including differing licencing, certification and professional qualifications requirements. Also, it is worth mentioning here that the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) includes a mutual recognition agreement on professional qualifications.

The argument of this book is that negotiating trade between the EU and Australia is an opportunity for developed countries, with positive experiences of mutual recognition, to seriously tackle all aspects of the new trade agenda: not only to seek zero tariffs and further agricultural trade liberalisation, but also to liberalise a wide range of non-tariff barriers arising from regulatory divergences on goods and services trade.

The resulting FTA could be a ‘gold standard’ agreement that would not only greatly expand bilateral trade flows between the EU and Australia, but would also break new ground with mutual recognition solutions to regulatory divergences on both goods and services, and enable the EU and Australia between them to demonstrate that such agreements can be ‘stepping stones’ to strengthening rules in the WTO.

It is a great pleasure for me to be launching this book today in the Australian Mission to the EU. I commend it to you all — policy enthusiasts and negotiators alike.

Donald Kenyon, 25 October 2017
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**Inaugural oration of the Konrad Adenauer Lecture Series**

*Germany and Europe in a New Era of Global Challenges, 28 November*

On 28 November 2017, ANUCES together with the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) hosted the inaugural Konrad Adenauer Lecture by Professor Dr Norbert Lammert, Former President of the German Federal Parliament and Deputy Chairman of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung.

This event took place in the Gandel Hall at the National Gallery of Australia, Canberra, and was attended by 170 guests, including representatives from government, the diplomatic community, academia, think tanks, the private sector, and the media.

The establishment of the annual Konrad Adenauer Lecture Series is the culmination of an ongoing collaboration between ANUCES and KAS. Over a number of years ANUCES and KAS have worked to bring together researchers and policymakers on issues of critical importance in both Europe and Australia. Our collaborative events and publications have promoted dialogue among scholars and practitioners to address common problems and identify shared interests.

The opening of the KAS office in Canberra in 2017 provided an opportunity to work further together, and we are absolutely delighted to formalise our partnership with this commitment to an annual, high-profile lecture focused on enhancing understanding of Germany and Europe in Australia and the wider region.

The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung is a political foundation, closely associated with the Christian Democratic Union of Germany (CDU). Freedom, justice and solidarity are the basic principles underlying the work of KAS. As co-founder of the CDU and the first Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, Konrad Adenauer (1876–1967) united Christian social, conservative and liberal traditions. His name is synonymous with the democratic reconstruction of Germany, the firm alignment of foreign policy with the trans-Atlantic community of values, the vision of a unified Europe and Germany’s orientation towards a social market economy. His intellectual heritage continues to serve both as our aim as well as our obligation today. More than 100 KAS offices around the world are in charge of organising national and international conferences, conducting research, offering civic education and political training, and cultivating international understanding. Through its international activities and projects carried out in collaboration with local partners in over 120 countries, KAS makes a substantial contribution to international cooperation and to ensuring that Germany lives up to its growing responsibility in the world.

The inaugural Konrad Adenauer lecture will be published online as a paper, audio recording and video.
Visit our website for details: [http://ces.anu.edu.au](http://ces.anu.edu.au)
Last Lecture of 2017

The Future of European Studies at ANU, 14 December

This event marked the end of 2017 and gave us the opportunity to celebrate our many proud moments from the year, and hear ANUCES Executive Director, Professor Jacqueline Lo, talk about the future of European Studies at ANU.

Jacqueline discussed how the end of 2017 is an especially significant time for the ANUCES community, as we reflect on the achievements of more than 16 years of European Union Centres funding.

Roundtable discussion with HE Mr Paul Wojciechowski, 6 December

ANUCES representatives, together with members of Australian government and agencies, welcomed HE Mr Paul Wojciechowski for a roundtable discussion. HE Mr Wojciechowski is Ambassador of Australia to Poland, with non-resident accreditation to the Czech Republic and Lithuania. He previously served overseas as Counsellor at the Australian Embassy and Permanent Mission to the EU in Brussels, with earlier postings in Jakarta and Seoul.

Burkinis, Slippery Slope and Euroscepticism: Islamophobia in Post-communist Europe, 20 November

ANUCES together with the ANU Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies co-hosted this seminar by Dr Karel Čada. Dr Čada is a researcher at the Charles University in Prague and former ANUCES Erasmus Mundus Fellow, with expertise in public policy. He participates in the Counter-Islamophobia Kit (CIK) research project (https://cik.leeds.ac.uk), funded by the European Commission. His ANU talk focused on Islamophobic narratives in Central and Eastern Europe, in comparison with other European countries.

Annmarie Elijah, Loukas Tsoukalas and Jenny Corbett

The Constitutionality of the Catalan Referendum and the Potential Impact of Secession on the EU, 26 October

Professor Nicolas de Sadeleer explored the constitutionality of the Catalan Referendum in this lecture, co-presented with the ANU Centre for International and Public Law in the ANU College of Law, and the University of Canberra’s Faculty of Business, Government and Law. The presentation was live streamed to the ANU College of Law Facebook page:


What Kind of Reform for the EU? 25 October

Distinguished Professor Loukas Tsoukalas, President of the Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP), gave this lecture on European Union reform. Thank you to Distinguished Professor Jenny Corbett from the Crawford School of Public Policy in the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific for chairing this event. We welcomed Austrian Ambassador HE Dr Bernhard Zimburg, Greece Deputy Head of Mission Mr Ioannis Ferentinos, Cyprus Deputy Head of Mission Mr Vakis Zisimos, and Hungary Deputy Head of Mission Dr Ferenc Toth. Listen to the audio recording on ANU Soundcloud: http://bit.ly/2ioJnxF
ANUCES is a proud sponsor of the Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA) National Conference, Australia’s premier event on Australian foreign policy.

This year’s conference featured sessions on global issues, prosperity, and security, and brought together some of Australia’s leading international affairs experts, including the Hon Julie Bishop MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs; Senator the Hon Penny Wong, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs; and the Hon Kim Beazley AC FAIIA, AIIA National President.

Thank you to our interns Tom Baker and Ayden O’Neill, and Europa Fellow Dr Emma Vines, for representing ANUCES at the AIIA National Conference and Masterclasses on 15–16 October. For more information visit: http://bit.ly/2w4DKJg

Global Politics in an Era of National Populism, 10 October

Pricewaterhouse Coopers (PwC) in partnership with ANUCES co–hosted this public lecture by Lord Jack McConnell, former First Minister of Scotland. Listen to the audio recording on ANU Soundcloud: http://bit.ly/2Aj7x9m

Distinguished Lecture — Brexit and the (Possible) Break–up of the UK: A Study in Failed Federalism, 21 September

ANUCES together with the Australian Centre for Federalism presented this lecture by Professor Iain McLean, who discussed federal models that might have prevented or mitigated the issues experienced by the UK’s 2016 referendum, with reference to Australia and Canada. Professor McLean is Director of the Gwilym Gibbon Centre for Public Policy at the University of Oxford. Listen to the audio recording on ANU Soundcloud: http://bit.ly/2AX3L3U

EuroScience at Questacon, 25–30 September

ANUCES was part of EuroScience at Questacon again this year, together with the Delegation of the European Union to Australia. EuroScience explored ground–breaking scientific achievements and collaborations between Europe and Australia during a six–day program. A number of ANU academics were involved in the delivery of demonstrations, talks and workshops.

The program included a special event for VIP guests at which ANU Vice–Chancellor Professor Brian Schmidt spoke about the strong links between Australian and European science research. European Union Ambassador Dr Michael Pulch also gave an address, and Questacon Excited Particles Coordinator Patrick Helean together with Questacon Mind in Residence Professor Hans Bachor entertained the audience with science demonstrations. For more information visit: http://bit.ly/2zq6SOz

Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA) National Conference 2017 — Foreign Policy in an Uncertain World, 16 October


Patrick Helean and Hans Bachor

Kate Driver, HE Dr Michael Pulch and Brian Schmidt

Iain McLean

Jack McConnell
Exhibiting Biskra: Art, Photography and Tourism in an Algerian Oasis, 20 September

This lecture was co-hosted by ANUCES and the Humanities Research Centre, in the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences. It was delivered by Professor Roger Benjamin, Curator, and Professor of Art History at the University of Sydney. Professor Benjamin curated ‘Biskra: Visions of an Oasis’ for the Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, supported by the Algerian Ministry of Culture. In October 2017 the exhibition moved to Musée Matisse, Nice. Listen to the audio recording on ANU Soundcloud: http://bit.ly/2BMKflh

Distinguished Lecture — Addressing God in European Languages: Different Meanings, Different Cultural Attitudes, 19 September

This lecture was presented by Emeritus Professor Anna Wierzbicka, Professor of Linguistics in the School of Literature, Languages and Linguistics. Using the Natural Semantic Metalanguage (NSM) as a common measure, Professor Wierzbicka explored how speakers of different European languages address God. Listen to the audio recording on ANU Soundcloud: http://bit.ly/2iUncmQ

Art and Europe

NGA Birthday Lecture, 12 October

‘They sacrificed their lives for their immortality’ said contemporary British artist Marc Quinn of the frozen flowers in his artwork ‘Garden’, which was just one of the many pieces of work discussed at the National Gallery of Australia (NGA)’s birthday lecture, featuring Marc Quinn in conversation with the NGA’s Deputy Director Kirsten Paisley. We welcomed to the occasion Russian Ambassador HE Mr Grigory Logvinov and his wife Mrs Irina Logvinova. For more information visit: https://nga.gov.au/

NGA Floor Talk — In Conversation: Angelica Mesiti, Making Work in Contemporary Europe, 9 September

Senior Curator Jaklyn Babington hosted a floor talk with Australian born, Paris-based video artist Angelica Mesiti, exploring her creative practice and works on view at the NGA. Angelica gave the audience a window into the stories, inspiration and characters behind her work.

Listen to our event recordings on ANU Soundcloud: https://soundcloud.com/experience_anu/tracks
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Schuman Lecture

Schuman’s Vision in the Age of Disarray: Whither Europe and the West? 28 August

We were delighted to have former Australian Ambassador to Germany, Mr David Ritchie AO deliver the 2017 Schuman Lecture. Mr Ritchie gave an important Australian perspective on the future of EU integration in this lecture. The event attracted guests made up of the diplomatic community, government, colleagues and friends. Thank you to all who attended, including Mr Ivano Casella from the Delegation of the European Union to Australia, and HE Dr Anna Prinz, German Ambassador to Australia. This event was featured in the Politico Brussels Playbook: ‘As Seen from Down Under’. See the article here: http://politi.co/2xji7te

Challenges of Political Party Regulation in the EU: Corruption, Hate Crime and Corporate Liability, 6 September

ANUCES and the Centre for International and Public Law co-presented this lecture by Dr Aleksandar Marsavelski, ANUCES Europa Visiting Fellow, and Professor in the Zagreb Law Faculty (Chair of Criminal Law) at the University of Zagreb in Croatia.

Alfred Reichert, Beatrice Gorawantschy, Brendan Nelson, Anne McNaughton, Jenelle Bonnor, David Ritchie, Jacqueline Lo, Andrew Todd, HE Anna Prinz, and Annmarie Elijah

EU Attitudes Towards Former Warsaw Pact States and Former Soviet Republics, 9 August

This lecture was presented by President of the Ukrainian World Congress, Mr Eugene Czolij. We welcomed to the event Ambassador of Ukraine HE Dr Mykola Kulinich, Ambassador of Georgia HE Mr George Dolidze, and Ambassador of Estonia HE Mr Andres Unga. Listen to the audio recording on ANU Soundcloud: http://bit.ly/2w6NeYH

Segue 2017: Where Australia Meets Europe, 27 August – 3 September

We were proud to support Segue again this year at The Street Theatre, Canberra, a festival offering contemporary performance with a European dimension. Segue 2017 welcomed Artist-in-Residence Mikey Weinkove from The People Speak, and featured a variety of events looking at visualising the collective imagination, and experimental approaches to collective decision making. For more information visit: http://thestreet.org.au

Read the Briefing Paper from this event on our website: http://bit.ly/2vZTFx

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Joint EU Centres’ Conference

Fulfilling the Vision: European Union Futures? 16–18 October

This international conference jointly convened by the European Union Centres in Australia and New Zealand took place at RMIT, Melbourne, and was a great success, attracting over 120 registrations. The event ran over three days with parallel sessions exploring the increasing scepticism about the future of the EU, looking at the way the lingering economic malaise, exit of the UK and divisions between EU member states seem to undermine the EU’s capacity to offer credible options for addressing the challenges that European citizens experience. Plenary panels featured a number of Australian and international speakers, including Professors Heribert Dieter, Nico Groenendijk, Sang Chul Park, Alessandro Rainoldi and Lay Hwee Yeo. A special panel took place featuring insights from Austrian Ambassador HE Dr Bernhard Zimburg, Danish Ambassador HE Mr Tom Helge Nørring, and Polish Chargé D’Affaires Mr Piotr Buszta. Thank you to the Ambassador to the European Union in Australia HE Dr Michael Pulch for giving the introductory address, and thank you to all speakers, participants and organisers, in particular the conference convener, Professor Bruce Wilson, Director of the EU Centre at RMIT.

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ANUCES team receives Vice-Chancellor’s Award for Public Policy and Outreach

ANUCES received the Vice-Chancellor’s Staff Excellence Award for Public Policy and Outreach, presented at the Staff Excellence Awards ceremony at University House, 22 November.

The team was made up of ANUCES representatives from across the University: James Cameron, Nicholas Simoes da Silva, Dr Annmarie Elijah, Paul Gretton, Mr Donald Kenyon AM, Professor Jacqueline Lo and Associate Professor Hazel Moir (College of Arts and Social Sciences); Professor Carsten Daugbjerg (College of Asia and the Pacific); Associate Professor Pierre van der Eng (College of Business and Economics); Anne McNaughton (College of Law); and Professor Karen Hussey and Carl Tidemann (College of Science).

This award recognises the team’s consistent high level performance in informing policymakers and the general public on the European Union and its member states, and the significance of European issues for Australia, in particular, the Brexit referendum and formal moves towards an Australia–EU trade agreement. Great work, ANUCES team!

Jacqueline Lo at the Australian Society for French Studies conference, Canberra

ANUCES Executive Director Professor Jacqueline Lo gave a speech at the reception of the Australian Society for French Studies (ASFS) conference at the Embassy of France on 13 December. The conference took place on 12–15 December at ANU and was entitled ‘Truth and Representation / Vérité et Représentation’. ASFS exists principally to unite and represent the interests of those researchers, scholars, higher degree students and teachers working within a French Programme in the Australian Higher Education Sector. For more information visit: https://australiansoocietyforfrenchstudies.com/

Katherine Daniell hosts Australian–French Association for Research and Innovation Forum, Canberra

ANUCES Associate Dr Katherine Daniell is President of the Australian–French Association for Research and Innovation (AFRAN), an organisation promoting the development of cooperation between France and Australia in research and innovation. AFRAN held its annual forum on 7–8 December at ANUCES, featuring an inaugural keynote speech on marine science and coral reef protection by Professor Ian Chubb AC, former Chief Scientist and ANU Vice-Chancellor. For more information on AFRAN visit: http://afran.org.au/
Ivana Damjanovic gives Thesis Proposal Review presentation

ANUCES PhD student Ivana Damjanovic gave her Thesis Proposal Review (TPR) presentation to academics from the School of Politics and International Relations on 22 November. The TPR presentation is an important milestone for ANU PhD students, and the Centre congratulates Ivana on this achievement.

‘I know there is still so much to do before the end, but having such a supportive working environment indeed helps in overcoming the inevitable challenges of a PhD journey.’ said Ivana.

Ivana’s research is interdisciplinary, encompassing issues of law and politics in the area of investor–State dispute settlement (ISDS) within the context of the European Union.

Anne McNaughton presents at European Union Academic Programme conference, Macau

ANUCES Deputy Director Anne McNaughton presented on Australia–EU relations at the European Union Academic Programme biannual conference entitled ‘60 Years After the Treaties of Rome: What is the Future of the European Union?’. The conference was held on 27–28 November at the University of Macau.

Katarzyna Williams is keynote speaker for ‘Redefining Australia and New Zealand’ conference, Poland

ANUCES Academic Coordinator Dr Katarzyna Williams was the keynote speaker for an international conference entitled ‘Redefining Australia and New Zealand: Historical Heritage and Contemporary Perspectives in Language, Culture and Literature’.

The conference took place on 24–25 November at the University of Opole, Poland. Katarzyna talked about ‘Transnational Literary Cultures in Australia’. The opening keynote address, ‘Writing Uncertain Seasons’, was delivered by ANUCES Associate, Professor Libby Robin.

One of the aims of the conference was to establish and hold the first general meeting of the Polish Association for Studies of Australasia.

Christina Petterson at the Society of Biblical Literature and American Academy of Religion’s Annual Meeting, USA


Ehsan Nabavi nearing PhD completion

Ehsan Nabavi presented his PhD thesis entitled ‘What Is A Water Conflict?’ on 3 November. Ehsan’s research focuses on understanding water conflict formation, evolution, and transformation against the backdrop of Anthropocene, particularly in the Middle East and Central Asia. His research interests span three broad areas: water resources system sustainability and governance; Science and Technology Studies (STS) with a particular interest in Actor–Network Theory (ANT); and conflict theories. Congratulations, Ehsan!
ANUCES at the Asia–Pacific Regional Conference, Perth

Professor Jacqueline Lo and ANU Vice-Chancellor Professor Brian Schmidt attended the Asia–Pacific Regional Conference held in Perth on 3–5 November, focused on strengthening EU and Germany ties with Australia and the wider Asia–Pacific region. The conference was opened by Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull and President of the Federal Republic of Germany Frank–Walter Steinmeier. The team from Konrad–Adenauer–Stiftung Australia and Pacific led by Dr Beatrice Gorawantschy were also in attendance.

Kyle Wilson at the Australian Institute of International Affairs events, Perth

The Australian Institute of International Affairs Western Australia held two events in Perth featuring Kyle Wilson, ANUCES Visiting Fellow and former intelligence analyst and diplomat. On 24 October Kyle gave a talk at St Catherine’s College entitled ‘Getting Russia Right: Reflections from an Intelligence Analyst’. On 25 October Kyle was a guest speaker for City Breakfast in an event called ‘On Top of the World and Upside Down: Some Aspects of Russian and Australian Ties’.

Address by Brendan Nelson at the National Press Club of Australia

ANUCES Distinguished Research Fellow and Director of the Australian War Memorial, the Hon Dr Brendan Nelson AO, gave this reflective and insightful address at the National Press Club of Australia, Canberra, on 19 September, entitled ‘1917: A Time of Tragedy and Triumph’. Attendees included Ambassador of Belgium HE Mr Marc Mullie, Mr David Ritchie AO, ANUCES Executive Director Professor Jacqueline Lo, ANU Professor Patrick Dumont, Nikki–Lynne Hunter from the Delegation of the European Union, ANU Professor Toni Makkai, and ANU Professor Bruce Scates.

Katarzyna Williams presents for Sholem Asch — Writer, Publicist and Social Activist, Poland

ANUCES Academic Coordinator Dr Katarzyna Williams gave a presentation for this international conference held in Lodz, Poland, 14–16 September. The conference brought together scholars of Jewish, cultural and political studies. Katarzyna talked about ‘The Reception of Sholem Asch in Australia’, and was invited to contribute to the Digital Yiddish Theatre Project, a research consortium combining digital humanities and the study of Yiddish theatre and drama. For more information visit: https://yiddishstage.org

Diana Davis presents at the Southeast Asia Music Education Exchange, Malaysia

ANUCES Research Fellow Diana Davis presented the paper ‘The Music of Traditional Public Festivals in ASEAN and Their Actual/Potential Role in Community Integration and Education’ at the Southeast Asia Music Education Exchange in Kuala Lumpur, 8–10 September.
PEOPLE

Elizabeth Buchanan and Stefan Markowski win NATO Defense College Fellowship

ANUCES scholars Elizabeth Buchanan and Associate Professor Stefan Markowski each secured a 2017 NATO Defense College Fellowship in Rome.

Elizabeth is one of the youngest ever recipients of this Fellowship. She studied the military alliance’s Arctic strategy during her NATO semester, building on her doctorate, which examined Russia’s Arctic energy strategy.

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Annmarie Elijah and Ivana Damjanovic lecture at the University of the Third Age, Canberra

ANUCES Associate Director Annmarie Elijah and ANUCES PhD student Ivana Damjanovic gave a lecture at the University of the Third Age in Canberra on 6 September. The lecture covered 2017 European elections and a Brexit update, and was very well received.

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Anne McNaughton attends ELI Annual Conference and General Assembly, Austria

ANUCES Deputy Director Anne McNaughton attended the European Law Institute’s (ELI) 2017 Annual Conference and General Assembly in Vienna, Austria, 6–8 September. Various panel sessions provided ELI Members and external participants with the opportunity to discuss topical legal issues on the European legal landscape.

Muhammad Takdir presents at international conference, Indonesia

ANUCES intern Muhammad Takdir presented his paper entitled ‘Indonesia—Australia Islamic Deradicalisation and Counterterrorism’ at the International Conference on Strategic and Global Studies (ICSGS) at the University of Indonesia on 30 November. Takdir’s research investigates the challenges and opportunities for security cooperation in counter-terrorism between Indonesia and Australia. Takdir’s work was undertaken as part of a joint internship with the Belgian Embassy in Canberra, ANUCES, and the Australian National Internships Program (ANIP), headed by ANUCES Associate Dr Laurence Brown.

Jacqueline Lo and Katarzyna Williams present at migration symposium, Melbourne

Professor Jacqueline Lo and Dr Katarzyna Williams presented papers at ‘Translating Worlds: Migration, Memory and Culture’, a symposium held at Monash University, 17–18 August. Jacqueline’s paper was entitled ‘Becoming Unhomely: The Art of John Young’, and Katarzyna’s paper was entitled ‘The Mother’s Tongue: Language and Memory in Cross-Cultural Autobiography’. This symposium was co-hosted by the University of South Australia’s Hawke EU Centre for Mobilities, Migrations and Cultural Transformations, and the Monash-Warwick Migration, Identity and Translation Network.

Jacqueline Lo at the Asia–Europe conference, Malaysia

ANUCES Executive Director Professor Jacqueline Lo attended this conference at the Asia–Europe Institute (AEI), 3–4 August in Kuala Lumpur, where she chaired the session ‘Regional Institutions Handling Current Challenges: Learning From One Another’. Speakers from both Asia and Europe discussed opportunities for re-invigorating the Asia–Europe relationship.

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Visiting Fellows 2017

**Professor Michael Bruter**  
*Europa Visiting Fellow*  
*Professor, London School of Economics*  
‘The Age of Fractious Electoral Politics: Polarisation and Hostility in Europe and Australia’

**Denise Fisher**  
*Europa Visiting Fellow*  
‘France in the South Pacific’

**Dr Maria Garcia**  
*Europa Visiting Fellow*  
*Senior Lecturer, University of Bath*  
‘Mediating Market Powers: USA and TPP’s Impact on Australia’s Trade Negotiations with the EU’

**Camilla Ioli**  
*Visiting Fellow*  
*Student, University of Bologna*  
‘Negotiating the Refugee Crisis in Italy: The “Hotspot” Approach’

**Dr Sarah Harrison**  
*Europa Visiting Fellow*  
*Associate Professorial Research Fellow, London School of Economics*  
‘Motivated by Frustration? The Source and Nature of Democratic Frustration Amongst Young People in the UK, Australia and Singapore’

**Professor Vladimir Kuznetsov**  
*Visiting Fellow*  
*Professor of International Relations and World Economy, Far–Eastern State University*  
‘Update on US–Russia relations’

**Dr Aleksandar Marsavelski**  
*Europa Visiting Fellow*  
*Professor, University of Zagreb*  
‘Political Parties’ Compliance: Regulatory Policy to Improve Governance and Citizens’ Welfare in Europe’

**Dr Ellen Martus**  
*Visiting Fellow*  
*University of New South Wales*  
‘Russian Environmental Politics: Political Leadership and Environmental Groups in the Policy Process’

**Dr Sonia Mycak**  
*Ukrainian Studies Foundation of Australia Research Fellow*  
‘Ukrainian Migrant Writing in Australia’

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Dr Rita Parker  
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University of New South Wales  
‘The European Liberal Democratic Model in the Asia-Pacific’

Dr Christina Petterson  
Gerda Henkel Research Fellow  
‘Balancing Economy and Christ: The Brüdergemeinde in Greenland and Australia’

Dr Ottavio Quirico  
Visiting Fellow  
Senior Lecturer, University of New England  
‘Normative Relations in International Law and EU Law’

Dr Richard Reid  
Europa Visiting Fellow  
Research Assistant, The Australian National University  
‘Scotland, Brexit and the Future of the United Kingdom’

Professor Alan Swinbank  
Europa Visiting Fellow  
Professor Emeritus, University of Reading  
‘Australia’s Possible Farm Trade Relations with a Post–Brexit UK, and a Smaller EU’

Dr Emma Vines  
Europa Visiting Fellow  
Tutor, The Australian National University  
‘Examining Brexit through the Lens of Populist Politics’

Jason Ji Xianbai  
Visiting Fellow  
PhD Candidate, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Nanyang Technological University  
‘Spreading Mega–Regional Trade Agreements — An Economic Explanation Using Theory of Moves’

Interns 2017

We were fortunate to host wonderful Interns throughout the year working on a range of activities while undertaking their own research projects.

**Tom Baker:** ‘The Interests of the Australian Agricultural Industry in Relation to the Australia–EU Free Trade Agreement’

**Selin Gül Mutlucan:** ‘The EU–Turkey Customs Union’

**Harriet Kesby:** ‘Managing Multilingualism in the European Union: The Case of South Tyrol’

**Tanya Ma:** ‘The Rise of the National Front: Understanding Le Pen’s Success in the 2017 Presidential Election’

**Ayden O’Neill:** ‘The Future of European Cars in Australia: Opportunities and Challenges in an Australia–European Union Free Trade Agreement’

**Muhammad Takdir:** ‘Indonesia–Australia Islamic Deradicalisation and Counterterrorism’
Books, book chapters, articles and op-eds

**Multi-level Governance. Conceptual Challenges and Case Studies from Australia. Edited by Katherine Daniell and Adrian Kay (ANU Press, 2017)**

ANUCES Associate Dr Katherine Daniell edited this book, together with Adrian Kay, as part of the Australia and New Zealand School of Government (ANZSOG) series.

Published by ANU Press in November 2017, this book explores how important policy problems rarely fit neatly within existing territorial boundaries. It explains that individual governments or government departments rarely enjoy the power, resources and governance structures required to respond effectively to policy challenges under their responsibility. These dilemmas impose the requirement to work with others from the public, private, non-governmental organisation (NGO) or community spheres, and across a range of administrative levels and sectors. But how?

This book investigates the challenges — both conceptual and practical — of multi-level governance processes. It draws on a range of cases from Australian public policy, with comparisons to multi-level governance systems abroad, to understand factors behind the effective coordination and management of multi-level governance processes in different policy areas over the short and longer term. Issues such as accountability, politics and cultures of governance are investigated through policy areas including social, environmental and spatial planning policy.

The authors of the volume are a range of academics and past public servants from different jurisdictions. The diversity of contributors allows previously hidden stories and processes of multi-level governance in Australia across different periods of government to be revealed and analysed for the first time.

This book is available to download free from the ANU Press website: [http://bit.ly/2i4VDmR](http://bit.ly/2i4VDmR)

**Between Utopia and Autobiography, in Migrant Nation, Katarzyna Williams (Anthem Press, 2017)**

ANUCES Academic Coordinator Dr Katarzyna Williams contributed the chapter ‘Between Utopia and Autobiography: Migrant Narratives in Australia’ to the book *Migrant Nation*, edited by Professor Paul Longley Arthur, former ANUCES Deputy Director.

The book explores the gap between Australian image and experience, focusing on particular historical blind spots by telling stories of individuals and groups that did not fit the favoured identity mould and can therefore offer fresh insights into the other side of identity construction. For more information visit: [http://www.anthempress.com/migrant-nation](http://www.anthempress.com/migrant-nation)

**HRT Vijesti Croatian Radiotelevision, 21 September, Annmarie Elijah and Alan Swinbank**

ANUCES Associate Director Annmarie Elijah and ANUCES Visiting Fellow Alan Swinbank from the University of Reading were interviewed by reporter Dragan Nikolic from HRT Vijesti Croatian Radiotelevision. Alan commented on agricultural trade and Annmarie commented on the Free Trade Agreement post-Brexit.

**The clock is ticking: could the UK leave the EU without an exit deal? Law Society Journal, Issue 39, Volume 4, p.77, November 2017, Anne McNaughton, Annmarie Elijah, James Cameron and Ben Wellings**

ANUCES Deputy Director Anne McNaughton and ANUCES Associate Director Dr Annmarie Elijah, together with ANUCES Associates James Cameron and Dr Ben Wellings, authored this Brexit article in the Law Society Journal. Login required to view the article: [https://www.lawsociety.com.au/resources/journal/index.htm](https://www.lawsociety.com.au/resources/journal/index.htm)
PUBLICATIONS

Financial costs associated with monopolies on biologic medicines in Australia, Australian Health Review, 9 November, Deborah Gleeson, Belinda Townsend, Ruth Lopert, Joel Lexchin and Hazel Moir

ANUCES Adjunct Associate Professor Hazel Moir co-authored a study in the Australian Health Review on the financial costs associated with monopolies on biologic medicines in Australia: http://bit.ly/2m8q6W0

This study was mentioned in a Sydney Morning Herald article, ‘Reborn Trans Pacific Partnership could see vital subsidised drugs cost more’: http://bit.ly/2AuoYiv

Time for costly medicine monopolies to go from TPP trade talks, The Conversation, 9 November, Deborah Gleeson, Belinda Townsend, Ruth Lopert, Joel Lexchin and Hazel Moir

ANUCES Adjunct Associate Professor Hazel Moir co-authored this article related to their study on costs associated with biologic medicines, and the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement: http://bit.ly/2yMXGXs

The attempt to replenish Lake Chad’s water may fail again. Here’s why. The Conversation, 6 October, Katherine Daniell and Adegboyega Adeniran

ANUCES Associate Dr Katherine Daniell and PhD student Adegboyega Adeniran discuss the Transaqua Project, an ambition initiative to replenish the waters of Lake Chad in Central Africa: http://bit.ly/2AwCTo5

Australia’s trade and investment relationship with the United Kingdom, Hansard, 5 July, Annmarie Elijah and Ben Wellings

ANUCES Associate Director Dr Annmarie Elijah and ANUCES Associate Dr Ben Wellings gave evidence on Australia’s trade and investment relationship with the UK, at the Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade. It was published in Hansard, the report of the proceedings of the Australian parliament and its committees.

ANUCES Visiting Fellow Kyle Wilson

Russia’s anti-corruption campaigner Alexei Navalny, ABC’s Radio National: Saturday Extra, 14 October

Kyle was interviewed about Alexei Navalny, who captured the attention of Russians through his YouTube channel of biting political commentary and exposure of corruption: http://ab.co/2zzLdTU

Pax Russica–Sinica: making the world safe for authoritarians, The Australian Strategic Policy Institute’s The Strategist, 16 August

Kyle wrote this article about the July meeting of Xi and Putin, two of the planet’s three most powerful leaders: http://bit.ly/2v0bAyz

Russia defends slashing US diplomats as hope fades of better ties, SBS News, 31 July

Kyle comments on Putin’s decision to ask the US to cut 755 of its diplomatic staff in Russia after Moscow struck back against new sanctions passed by the US Congress: http://bit.ly/2vd5OCo
ANUCES Visiting Fellow Denise Fisher

New Caledonia prepares for upcoming independence vote, ABC News: Pacific Beat, 8 November

The committee of signatories to the Noumea Accord met with the French Prime Minister Edouard Philippe, and agreed on who will be allowed to vote, polling station locations and the presence of UN observers. Denise says that the latest meeting sent an important signal about the process of the referendum, the outcome of which is likely to be very close: http://ab.co/2m7j6bF

The two faces crucial to New Caledonia’s final referendum, The Lowy Institute of Public Policy’s The Interpreter, 31 October

Denise comments on the upcoming New Caledonia independence referendum: http://bit.ly/2hNZpBt


Denise discusses the depth of France’s commitment to the Asia–Pacific region: http://bit.ly/2zoQRuc

Divisions and deadlines in New Caledonia, Australian Strategic Policy Institute’s The Strategist, 30 August

Denise shares her insights into the New Caledonia referendum: http://bit.ly/2wmZQax

Policy Notes and Briefing Papers

Policy Note — ANUCES–Ai Group Survey: Australia–European Union Free Trade Agreement
Published December 2017 / Authors: Thomas Baker and Ayden O’Neill / Full content URL: http://bit.ly/2nvbrVn

This Policy Note is an interim report on a survey conducted with 59 Australian industry representatives interested in the forthcoming Australia–EU Free Trade Agreement. The survey was conducted in conjunction with the Australian Industry Group (Ai Group).

Briefing Paper — Schuman Lecture Series — Schuman’s Vision in the Age of Disarray
Published August 2017 / Author: David Ritchie AO / Full content URL: http://bit.ly/2yPXx1c

The Robert Schuman Lecture series celebrates the remarkable achievements of European integration since its modest beginnings in the European Coal and Steel Community in 1951, announced in a declaration by French Foreign Minister Schuman. ANU has recognised this achievement and foresight by coordinating the annual Schuman Lecture since 1996. The first lecture was delivered by Lord Leon Brittan, the then Vice President of the European Commission. This Briefing Paper is the latest contribution to the ANU Centre for European Studies Schuman Lecture Series, and was delivered by David Ritchie AO at ANU on 28 August 2017.

Briefing Paper — Is the Australian Offshore Processing System a Model for Europe?
Published November 2017 / Author: Camilla Ioli / Full content URL: http://bit.ly/2yQ8UGu

Camilla Ioli was a Visiting Fellow at ANUCES 2017, exploring comparison response of the European Union and Australia to the arrival of asylum seekers by sea. Camilla graduated mid–2017 from the University of Bologna, Italy, with summa cum laude.

Briefing Paper — Big Ideas from Europe: Magna Carta at 800

This Briefing Paper is a transcript of the ABC Radio National Big Ideas from Europe broadcast of 25 June 2015 to mark the 800th anniversary of Magna Carta, a medieval document sealed by King John of England. This document has established that no one stands above the common law — not even kings. To the present day, Magna Carta is evoked whenever basic freedoms come under threat.
Muhammad Takdir (right) presents at the University of Indonesia

Tanya Ma and Nicholas Simoes da Silva present for Europe Day

Participants of Global Migration roundtable with Christian Leffler

Pastéis De Nata made by Embassy of Portugal for Portuguese Language Day

Lecture by Matthias Ruete

Richard Rigby presents the first Russia Rigby Lecture

EU Flicker Fest with former EU Ambassador HE Sem Fabrizi (right)

Brendan Nelson receives Honorary Doctorate at ANU graduation ceremony

Lecture by Michael Bruter (second left) and Sarah Harrison (second right)

Bruce Wilson gives closing remarks at joint centres’ conference, Melbourne

Farewell to HE Pawel Milewski

Lecture by Lee Bygrave (second right)

Hugo’s 1st birthday

Rigby Lecture by Bobo Lo (left)
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