



Fulfilling the Vision: European Union Futures?

A joint EU Centres' conference

16 – 18 October 2017, RMIT City Campus, Melbourne, Australia

You are invited to attend an international conference convened jointly by the European Union Centres in Australia and New Zealand.

Students, academics, the business community and policy makers are all welcome. If you have any interest in the future of the European Union, you don't want to miss this conference.

A draft program is available on the conference website: <https://www.rmit.edu.au/events/all-events/conferences/2017/october/fulfilling-the-vision-eu-futures>

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Many observers are professing increasing scepticism about the future of the European Union (EU). The lingering economic malaise, the potential exit of the United Kingdom, and the apparent divisions between western and eastern European Member States appear to undermine the capacity of the EU to offer credible options for addressing the challenges which European citizens experience.

Yet the vision which inspired the formation of the EU is too powerful to dismiss lightly. Despite the current difficulties, many Europeans continue to believe that their future lies in an increasingly integrated Europe. Can this be achieved, despite the challenges? Can European and Member State leaders continue to work together to deliver the expectations that citizens hold?

This conference will include plenary panels and presented papers led by **Heribert Dieter**, **Nico Groenendijk**, **Sang Chul Park**, **Alessandro Rainoldi** and **Lay Hwee Yeo**. Other international speakers have also committed to attending. Tuesday 17 October will feature special sessions with Ambassadors and business and policy representatives.

The conference leads to an associated event in Adelaide: *The Future of the EU Summit*, hosted by the Hawke EU Centre for Mobilities, Migration and Cultural Transformations, featuring **Loukas Tsoukalis**. Further details on the Summit can be found at: <http://www.unisa.edu.au/Business-community/Hawke-Centre/Events-calendar/Does-the-European-Union-have-a-future/>

Register now: <https://www.rmit.edu.au/events/all-events/conferences/2017/october/fulfilling-the-vision-eu-futures>

We look forward to your participation in the conference. This is an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of the European Union Centres program in Australia and New Zealand, and to look forward to the new activities of the Centres from 2018 onwards.

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