

**The Good, the Bad and the Ugly;
Shaping Public Policy in Australia:
Past, Present, Future**

Thursday 13 October

- 8.45 Registration begins
9.15 Welcome and opening by Christine Jennett,
President ISAA
9.30 Margy Burn, Assistant Director-General
Australian Collections & Reader Services,
NLA.
- 9.45 **Session 1**
Speaker 1: Dr Ann Moyal AM (ISAA)
*Changing frameworks: a chief social scientist
in Australia*
Speaker 2: Emeritus Prof Ian Cowan FAA
(ISAA) *Reflections, On Liberty*
- 11.00 Morning tea**
- 11.30 **Session 2**
Speaker 1: Chris Ullmann (ABC) *Fact,
fiction and politics*
Speaker 2: Emeritus Prof John Warhurst AO
(ANU) *Professional lobbying: the good, the
bad and the unacceptable*
- 12.45 Lunch**
- 2.00 **Session 3**
Speaker 1: Dr Wendy Michaels (ISAA)
Lobbying like a lady
Speaker 2: Emeritus Prof Marian Sawyer AO
(ANU) *Who speaks for women in the policy
process?*
- 3.00 Afternoon Tea**
- 3.30 **Session 4** Chair: Dr Susan Steggall
Speaker 1: Speaker 1: Rev Dr John Moses
(ISAA) *Two Sydney professors and two world
wars; George Arnold Wood (1890-1928) and
Stephen Henry Roberts (1928-1938): prophets
and educators*
Speaker 2 Prof Rodney Nillsen (ISAA) *Higher
education policy and cultural change in
universities*
- 4.30 Session ends**

5.30-6.30 ANNUAL LECTURE

Quentin Dempster *The media in Australia -
distorting influences and redeeming efforts*

**7.00 CONFERENCE DINNER
CHONG CO THAI RESTAURANT &
BAR, KINGSTON**

Friday 14 October

- 9.30 Session 5**
Speaker 1: Dr Kerryn Higgs (ISAA) *Policy
versus reality: the growth delusion*
Speaker 2: Glenn Burns (ISAA) *Shaping
public policy in Australia: Why Religion
should have no part in it*
- 10.30 Morning tea**
- 11.00 Session 6**
Speaker 1: Ian Keese (ISAA) *Dissenting
Voices: the Immigration Restriction Act of
1901*
Speaker 2: Dr Bob Davidson (ISAA)
Competition Policy and Human Services.
- 12.00 Lunch**
- 1.30 Session 7**
Speaker 1: Craig Ritchie (AIATSIS) *Towards
'As Aboriginal' Policy: Culture, framing and
social construction in the Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander Policy Enterprise.*
Speaker 2: Rod Little (National Congress)
*Embracing the 'R' challenges in policy
development: 'Reflections, Relations, Respect,
Results'*
- 2.30 ISAA AGM**
- 4.30 Finish**

**Conference papers will be 20 minutes,
followed by 10 minutes' discussion time.**

**Registration
by Friday 30 September 2016**

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| • Non-Member: | \$130* | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| Day 1 | \$75* | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Day 2 | \$75* | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| • Annual lecture only | \$10 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
- *Conference registration includes morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and the Annual Lecture.*
- Conference Dinner:** \$50
Chong Co Thai Restaurant, 31 Eastlake Parade, Kingston
Foreshore. **Tel: 6162 0200.** Registration for the
Conference dinner includes some wine. The restaurant has
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In its broadest sense the term public policy refers to the range of means by which government and public agencies determine or influence how society functions. In shaping and making of any public policy, numerous individuals and groups may interact with government in competitive and collaborative ways to identify problems and influence policymakers to act in a particular way. The shaping of any public policy is rarely uncontested, and is commonly the outcome of the interaction of institutional structures, individuals and groups with differing values and power, economic and social forces, and unfolding events. ISAA acknowledges the support of the National Library of Australia in staging this conference.

Early registration would be appreciated.

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ABOUT ISAA

Independent scholars make a vital contribution to the intellectual and cultural life of Australia.

Yet, by virtue of their isolation, scattered presence and limited resources, the profile of this diverse national talent has been less evident than it ought to be.

Established in 1995 the **Independent Scholars Association of Australia** (ISAA) Inc was incorporated in Canberra in January 1997 as an association for the promotion of scholarship and the encouragement of independent scholars.

ISAA is a network of scholars active in many areas including book and journal publications in the humanities, social science, science, and other disciplines; film and documentary scriptwriting and production, and journalism—work that in sum makes a contribution to national understanding and debate.

ISAA's goals are:

- ◆ To raise the profile of independent scholars in Australia, and increase awareness of their diversity and expertise.
- ◆ To facilitate the wide contribution of independent scholars to the public sphere.
- ◆ To provide community and contact for scholars.
- ◆ To represent the interests of independent scholars in the public arena.
- ◆ To give a voice to dissent and independent opinion based on informed and critical thought and to encourage public dialogue and the exchange of ideas.

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Thursday 13 & Friday 14 October 2016

Fourth Floor Conference Room
National Library of Australia
Canberra

including

ISAA Annual Lecture

5.30 pm, Thursday 13 October 2016

delivered by

Quentin Dempster

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ISAA AGM

2.30 pm, Friday 14 October 2016