



Australian Institute of International Affairs
Year in Review 2013—2014

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The [Australian Institute of International Affairs \(AIIA\)](#) plays a unique role in Australian public life as an independent, non-partisan forum for informed debate on international affairs and Australia's engagement in the world.

Established in 1924 and formed as a national body in 1933, the AIIA is a non-profit organisation with more than 1400 members across seven state and territory offices.

The AIIA's mission is to:

- Provide a forum for debate;
- Disseminate ideas;
- Educate on international issues; and
- Collaborate with counterpart organisations worldwide.

The AIIA works as [a knowledge-broker, bringing together experts from diplomacy, policy, business, media, academia and the interested public.](#) It:

- Hosts events featuring a distinguished array of national and international speakers;
- Produces a range of research publications including the internationally-recognised *Australian Journal of International Affairs*;
- Facilitates people-to-people dialogue in conjunction with a variety of government and non-governmental partners;
- Conducts youth and community outreach programs; and
- Offer educational opportunities to deepen Australians' understanding of international issues.

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Events

"[The AIIA] was founded at a time when governments were desperate to find ways to manage power relations between states to reduce the risk of war... Now today in Australia we again face the challenge: how to build an international system which manages the risk of conflict between States. So we have a huge national and international agenda to try and build a new basis for peace and stability in Asia, and the AIIA will continue to play a really important role in that, as it has in the past..."

Hugh White AO FAIIA at the AIIA 80th Anniversary National Conference



The AIIA hosts events on a wide range of topics and issues from around the world, accessible to members and non-members alike.

In 2013-2014 the AIIA organised more than 200 events around Australia. Programmes feature many eminent and expert opinion leaders and decision-makers drawn from national and international politics, diplomacy, academia, media and business.

The AIIA also partnered with academic, business and government counterparts on a number of special events.

For a complete listing of events, [click here](#).

Events

AIIA 80th Anniversary National Conference

In 2013 the AIIA celebrated its 80th Anniversary as a national organisation promoting public debate on international issues. Following the September Federal Election the AIIA held a National Conference in Canberra on the topic of "Foreign Policy Priorities for Australia". The conference aimed to bring together Australian experts in the field of security, economics and global issues and to identify realistic objectives and goals for Australia's foreign policy.



AIIA 80th Anniversary National Conference Highlights

Events

"We can neither buy nor bully our way in the world. Today the global multilateral system is under intense pressure. We need it more than ever, but it is getting hard to find agreement."

Peter Varghese AO, Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, speaking at the 2013 Sir James Plimsoll Lecture conducted in partnership by DFAT, the University of Tasmania, and AIIA Tasmania Branch speaking on the challenges of multilateralism



"Australia's defence strategy should now take account of how major powers such as China and Russia might use conventional force or the threat of conventional force by coercion to challenge territorial sovereignty and impose their will more generally."

Emeritus Professor Paul Dibb, ANU College of Asia and the Pacific, speaking at AIIA ACT Branch on the strategic implications of Russia's actions for the Asia-Pacific

"I think there's a real danger in always throwing in the 'Munich analogy' whenever there's an example of expansionism, I think certainly if Putin was intent on threatening the security of eastern Europe; intervening in Hungary, or Poland, or the Czech Republic, then there would be an absolute case for another Munich and another Hitler on our doorsteps. Look, I think this is Putin being largely defensive."

Tom Switzer, Research Associate at the University of Sydney's United States Studies Centre, presenting at AIIA Queensland Branch on the dangers of U.S-led containment actions in Eastern Europe



Events



"When news of the murder trial of prominent Communist Party leader Bo Xilai's wife reached Western attention, it was apparent that, as with many events in the secretive upper echelons of Chinese politics, there was more to the story. Now, as the Party's 18th National Congress oversees the biggest leadership transition in decades, and installs the Bo family's long-time rival Xi Jinping as president, China's rulers are finding it increasingly difficult to keep their poisonous internal divisions behind closed doors."

John Garnaut, Fairfax Media's Asia Pacific Editor, presenting to AIIA NSW on the evolutions of Chinese leadership



Michael Wesley, Professor and Director of the School of International Political and Strategic Studies at the Australian National University, speaking at AIIA ACT Branch



Somaliland Minister of Development and AIIA Interns, AIIA National Office, Canberra

Events



(Carol Giacomo, *New York Times* Editorial Board member, addressing the AIIA ACT Branch with insights on Obama's second term foreign policy)



Richard Tanter, Professor in the School of Political and Social Studies at the University of Melbourne, and Senior Research Associate at the Nautilus Institute for Security and Sustainability, addressing AIIA VIC



UN Special Representative to the Secretary-General for Cyprus, The Hon. Alexander Downer AC, addressing the University Diplomacy Conference co-hosted by AIIA and UNSW

Events

"More broadly as China re-balances its economy, Australia is well positioned to provide resource, energy, and food security that China needs to drive future growth, and Australia will remain a stable and transparent investment destination for China."

Her Excellency Ms Frances Adamson, Australian Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, addressing AIIA WA on the current state of Australia-China bilateral relations



"Progress to utilise [Pakistan's] resources, human and otherwise in a way in which is possible and was envisaged when the country was created is quite a long and difficult track and it's one where Australia *must* play a role with the rest of the international community."

His Excellency Peter Heyward, Australian High Commissioner to Pakistan, addressing AIIA Tasmania Branch on recent developments in Pakistan

"A revitalised Japan is very much in Australia's national interest. It can only lead to even greater opportunities for engagement between Australia and Japan – opportunities that will likely be seized right here in Queensland, as always on the front line of the Australia-Japan relationship."

His Excellency Mr Bruce Miller, Australian Ambassador to Japan, presenting the fifth annual AIIA Fernberg Lecture at Government House, Brisbane for AIIA QLD Branch.



Events

"How does ASIO carry out its role in a democratic polity based on transparency and openness? How are the tensions between the government's obligation to protect the community and individual liberties balanced and resolved? What might the future look like, not just for the people of Australia but also for the anonymous people of ASIO dedicated to the protection of the national interests and the lives and safety of our citizens while at the same time upholding the rule of law and our national democratic values?"

David Irvine AO, Director-General of ASIO addressing AIIA WA Branch on intelligence and national security in a democratic state



"Vietnam was really Australia's war. [Menzies] was concerned that the Americans might withdraw, as seemed very likely. There was a huge fight going on between the hawks and the doves in Washington over what America should do, and Menzies was very concerned that the doves might win and the Americans might not fight the war, but resort to diplomatic negotiations."

Dr Peter Edwards AM FAIIA, Adjunct Professor Deakin University, addressing AIIA QLD Branch on how Australia goes to war

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Dialogue

The AIIA works with a wide range of partners to facilitate dialogue and strengthen understanding of international issues: from roundtables with high level visitors, specialist workshops and second track dialogue to people-to-people contact with other countries. The AIIA is networked with 116 sister institutes worldwide.

Australia India Dialogue

The Australian Institute of International Affairs along with the Australia India Institute hosted a roundtable dialogue with a visiting delegation from the Indian Council of World Affairs. The roundtable was held in Melbourne at the Australia India Institute on 18 March 2014. The dialogue aimed to promote greater understanding and cooperation between Australia and India by bringing together delegations made up of academics, policymakers, media and practitioners to develop new frameworks to enhance cooperation and collaboration on various forums.



Indian and Australian Delegations, Australia India Institute, 2014

Dialogue

Global Go To Think Tank Index 2013 Australian Launch

The Australian launch of the Index took place at the AIIA Conference Centre on 23 January 2014 and was hosted by the AIIA, the Australian Strategic Policy Institute, the Strategic and Defence Studies Centre at Australian National University and The Australia Institute. The Global Go To Think Tank Index, the most comprehensive ranking of the world's top think tanks, ranked AIIA as the 4th in Southeast Asia and the Pacific overall and 25th globally amongst international economic policy think tanks.



AIIA National Executive Director Melissa Conley Tyler opens the 2013 Global Go To Think Tank Index Launch

Dialogue

Roundtables with the International Confucian Association

The AIIA, along with the University of New South Wales in Sydney and Deakin University in Melbourne, hosted a series of roundtables with a visiting delegation of experts from China, Singapore and Vietnam organised by the Beijing-based International Confucian Association. The roundtables took place in Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne from 2 – 8 September 2013.



International Confucian Association Roundtable in Brisbane

Pakistan Delegation Visit

AIIA ACT Branch President Cameron Hawker hosted a National Office-ACT Branch roundtable on 3 December 2013 for a visiting delegation from Pakistan's National Management Course, the nation's most senior policy development course for government officials. The meeting covered a range of issues in the Indo-Pacific region and their implications for Australia and Pakistan.

Soft Power, Smart Power: the Multiplier Effect of Educational and Cultural Exchange

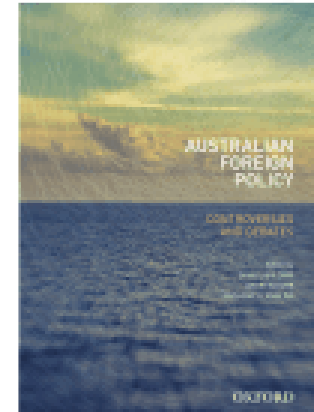
The AIIA in partnership with the Australian-American Fulbright Commission helped facilitate the 2013 Fulbright Symposium: "Soft Power, Smart Power: the Multiplier Effect of Educational and Cultural Exchange" on 21-22 August in Canberra. The Symposium covered topics such as public diplomacy, educational partnerships and intercultural exchange and featured AIIA Director of Communications Peter Macfarlane and AIIA QLD Vice-President Dr Caitlin Byrne.

Research & Publications

Research Committee: Chair's Report

2013-14 continued an active period of research activities.

A highlight of the year for the Research Committee was the publication by Oxford University Press of the recipient of the first publication support grant. *Australian Foreign Policy: Debates and Controversies*, edited by Dr Daniel Baldino, Dr Andrew Carr and Dr Anthony Langlois, was launched at the Oceanic Conference of International Studies in July 2014 and is being promoted through a series of events at AIIA branches. The Committee hopes to be in a position to make the grant a regular one.



The AIIA produced two policy commentaries this year. The first, entitled *Japan's New Trajectory*, looked at Japan's economic and security trajectory and what this means for Australia. It included contributions by Nobuhide Hatasa of the Japan Institute of International Affairs, Dr Tim Harcourt, Dr David Envall and Professor Rikki Kersten.

Two Elections That Matter: India and Indonesia provided an analysis of the Indian and Indonesian elections and their broader implications, and included contributions by Professor Amitabh Mattoo and Nirupama Subramanian, Ambassador Rajiv Bhatia of the Indian Council of World Affairs and Associate Professor Greg Fealy. These two policy commentaries brought to a close what has been a successful series, both for AIIA members and for the broader policy community.

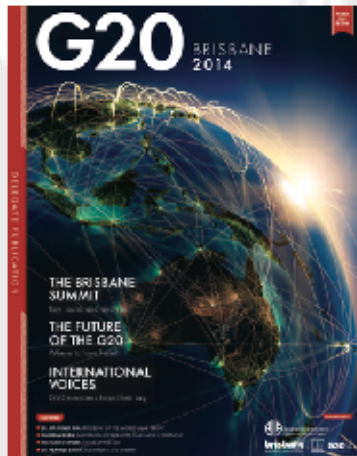
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The Research Committee has and will continue to provide advice and input on the development of the new AIIA website and its potential for strengthening links with the academic community in Australia and around the world.



G20 Words Into Action was produced to be made available in electronic form to the delegates at B20 and around Brisbane during the G20, in November 2014. The book contains contributions from scholars and industry leaders such as Dr Yim Jong Kim, President of the World Bank Group, as well as contributions from 19 sister institutes around the world giving a G20 members' view of the Summit.

The research committee was this year pleased to welcome Dr Sara Davies to its membership.

I would like to thank all members of the Research Committee for their valuable contributions:

Professor Peter Edwards FAIIA, Flinders University; Professor Marcus Haward, University of Tasmania; Professor Tony Milner, ANU; Dr Sara Davies, Queensland University of Technology; Professor Nick Bisley, Editor, *AJIA*; Professor Samina Yasmeen, FAIIA, University of Western Australia; Professor Garry Rodan, Murdoch University; and Melissa Conley Tyler, National Executive Director, AIIA.



Associate Professor Shirley Scott
Research Committee Chair

Research & Publications

Australian Journal of International Affairs: Editor's Report

In 2013-2014 the *Australian Journal of International Affairs* marked my first year as Editor-in-chief of the journal. I have been fortunate to inherit from Andrew O'Neil a journal in fine standing. During this year the Journal has continued its excellent traditions as Australia's highest-ranked and most-cited international relations journal. The *AJIA* continues to expand its reach with access available in over 12,000 academic libraries worldwide, including 6,000 in developing countries, and full text downloads of articles growing by over 16% to another all time high.



The AIIA's Boyer Prize for the best article published in the Journal in 2013 was awarded to Morten B. Pedersen of UNSW for his paper, 'How to promote human rights in the world's most repressive states: lessons from Myanmar', published in Volume 67, Issue 2, 2013.

In 2014 we launched a new 'Commentary and Provocation' section of the journal. Here we will publish high quality and engaging pieces of commentary, opinion and provocations on topical issues that fall within the editorial remit of the Journal. Its purpose is to fill a gap that exists between the longer scholarly articles that we publish, and which have a long production cycle, and short pieces that appear very quickly in blogs and op-ed pages. These pieces will be shorter than original articles with a word length of between 1,000 and 4,000 words.

Research & Publications

I would particularly like to thank Dr Jasmine Westendorf, who served as Managing Editor from July 2013 to January 2014 and Ms Cait Hamilton of UNSW who has been Managing Editor since February 2014. Their professionalism and dedication have been vital to the Journal's success. The Journal is also fortunate to have an active Editorial Board and my thanks to them for their ongoing support. In particular I would like to thank Professor Hugh White who stood down as a Board Member earlier this year and to welcome Dr Andrew Phillips and Professor Jacqui True who joined us in 2014.



Professor Nick Bisley

Editor-in-chief, *Australian Journal of International Affairs*

Australian Outlook

Australian Outlook is the AIIA's national online showcase for high-quality analysis and comment on international affairs. The aim is to provide an Australian outlook on world events. It provides vibrant, up-to-date blog content on a regular basis. Australian Outlook is made up of five sections: Analysis, The Burning Question, Issues Brief, Fresh Perspectives, Interviews and Reading Room: Book Reviews from the *Australian Journal of International Affairs*.



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Youth engagement is a key part of AIIA's mission statement. Youth outreach includes schools programs, careers fairs, internships and bursaries. AIIA youth networks help inform and foster debate amongst a new generation of leaders. The AIIA also hosts more than 50 interns annually from around Australia and across the globe.

Young Diplomats Program

The AIIA is pleased to collaborate on a Young Diplomats Program sponsored and co-organised by the College of Arts, Society & Education of James Cook University in Townsville. This is a competitive mock diplomatic negotiations for Year 10 students in North Queensland. A topic of concern is selected each year for students to research, prepare their strategy and participate in a Day of Diplomacy, which is then judged. This year the topic was "Enhancing Global Food Security and the Right to Food for All" and the judging panel included Matthew Lamprecht from Austrade in Cairns and representatives from James Cook University.



Winners of the Young Diplomats Program at the United Kingdom High Commission in Canberra

Youth & Community Engagement

Young Professionals Networks

Several AIIA state and territory offices run dedicated programs for young professionals, including New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia.

Youth Engagement Strategy QLD: The internship program at AIIA Queensland continued to move from strength-to-strength. Interns are responsible for a range of tasks, including branch administration, writing content for the branch newsletter, filming events for the AIIA website and organising events around areas of interest to young people. In 2014, the internship team oversaw a complete re-design of the branch newsletter into an e-magazine format. Interns with the AIIA have the opportunity to network with world-class scholars, journalists, and retired civil servants, as well as bolstering their curricula vitae with an internationally recognised organisation. In addition, many of the interns move up the ranks as internship supervisors, and further still, to the AIIA Queensland Executive Council.

We are excited for what 2014-15 will bring for the program.

Intern Evenings NSW: AIIA NSW held sessions on 26 November 2013 and 24 June 2014 for interns to present papers on their research. Topics included democratisation in Indonesia, the peace process in Nepal, Ukrainian foreign policy, state-building in Kosovo, China's illicit cyber activity, China's naval modernisation, drone warfare, West Papua and East Timor in Australian foreign policy and North Korea's nuclear network .

AIIA NSW also held a Youth Event Series launch on Women in War Zones.



AIIA QLD Young Professionals event



NSW Intern Evenings event

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International Careers Conference VIC: The International Careers Conference has been hosted by AIIA Victoria annually since 2005. It was created to provide inspiration and career advice for undergraduate and postgraduate students, as well as those seeking a mid-career change. The 2013 conference was held at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology and attracted more than 200 participants. The ICC is hosted by major universities in Melbourne on a rotational basis. The ICC gives students a chance to engage with highly regarded professionals from diverse international careers. The conference is divided into three streams: international business, government and international agencies. The streams provide attendees with insight into the broad range of industries which have an international focus or require global awareness.

Careers Without Borders and Developing Young Scholars WA: The Young Professionals Network of AIIA WA Branch organised the well-attended annual "Careers without Borders" event that included several practitioners and networking organizations, and a "Developing Young Scholars" event for students contemplating honours and postgraduate work. The "Young Superstars of WA" spoke on 29 October 2013. The YPN Convenor also successfully negotiated with American Chamber of Commerce and Committee for the Economic Development of Australia to provide special member access to their public meetings with international relevance.



Careers Without Borders event, WA

Youth & Community Engagement

Awards and Prizes

The AIIA runs a number of international relations-focused competitions as part of its youth outreach.

Nygh Internship

The Peter Nygh Hague Conference Internship supports a postgraduate student or graduate of an Australian law school to undertake an internship with the Hague Conference on Private International Law. The internship, offered by the AIIA in partnership with the International Law Association (Australian Branch), provides funds to cover the cost of travel to the Netherlands together with a contribution towards living expenses. The AIIA congratulates this year's winner, Mr Brody Warren.



Melissa Conley Tyler, National Executive Director, AIIA; HE Annemieke Ruigrok, Ambassador of The Netherlands to Australia; Brody Warren; Christopher Ward, President, International Law Association (Australia Branch); Nicola Nygh; David Bennett AC QC



Euan Crone Asian Awareness Scholarship

In 2013, Euan Crone, a member of AIIA VIC, decided to establish a charitable endowment fund giving grants up to \$5,000 per person to deepen awareness of Asia among young Australians. Scholarships are open to young Australian members of the AIIA in any Australian State or Territory at the time of application. The inaugural recipients of the Euan Crone Asian Awareness Scholarship were announced on 11 December 2013: Mr Andrew Gannon from the University of Western Australia for work on Chinese law and literature; Ms Kimberley Layton of the University of New South Wales Canberra for fieldwork on nationalism in India; and Mr Scott Lennard of Monash University for work on microfinance in Vietnam.

Youth & Community Engagement

WA Bursary for Studies in Asia

The AIIA WA Branch has continued to encourage and support Australian students at Western Australian Universities to undertake study in Asia via a yearly scholarship program.

A new bursary was launched in December 2011, in line with the organisation's mission of promoting understanding and interest in international affairs. The WA Branch provides two \$2,000 bursaries annually to support such educational activity. The bursary is advertised on the AIIA website and through the five Western Australian Universities in February each year. The 2014 winners are:

Anton Lucanus from UWA. Anton is studying a Bachelor of Science (Majoring in Indonesian and Human Biology). He is travelling to Jakarta to participate in a language course from 03/08/14 to 15/08/14. He will also be studying at the Gadjah Mada University in Yogyakarta, Indonesia for all of Semester Two 2014.

Zain Awan from ECU (WAAPA). Zain is a studying a Bachelor of Music (Contemporary Music). Zain is traveling to Japan in June and will be focusing on cross-cultural dialogue surrounding advocacy of human rights and health rights of the LGBTIQ community (including youth and people living with HIV) in Japan. His trip will begin with a meeting at the Asia Pacific Human Rights Information Centre in Osaka.

2013 Student Essay Competition ACT

The ACT Branch of the Australian Institute of International Affairs held a Student Essay Competition which aimed to promote a greater interest among students enrolled at ACT universities in international affairs. The AIIA congratulates winners and thanks all the volunteers involved for their contributions.

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In 2008, the **AIIA** launched a **Fellows program** to recognise exceptional contributions to Australia's international relations.

The AIIA congratulates the following Fellows of the Australian Institute of International Affairs (FAIIA) for 2014:



Professor Desmond Ball AO, for his distinguished contribution to academia and the understanding of strategic and defence studies.



Mr Philip Flood AO, for his distinguished contribution to Australia's foreign policy through roles including Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and High Commissioner to the United Kingdom.



Emeritus Professor Gillian Triggs, for her distinguished contribution to international law and through her role as President of the Australian Human Rights Commission.



Reverend Tim Costello AO, for his distinguished contribution to social justice through his role as the Chief Executive of World Vision Australia.



Ms Jenny McGregor, for her distinguished contribution to Australia-Asia cooperation through her role as founding CEO of Asialink.



Mr Geoffrey Miller AO, for his distinguished contribution as a leader in Australia's foreign affairs and diplomacy.

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Professor James Cotton FAIIA, Ms Erika Feller FAIIA and Tony Walker FAIIA receiving their awards from Tasmania Emeritus Professor Peter Boyce AO

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As Treasurer I have to be stable and conservative, but that can be rather boring. What I have to report however is difficult to portray in an exciting manner. As always, (or so it seems) it's a good news/bad news report. The last financial year was a difficult one, with our total equity decreasing by \$28K. However most of this consists of our major asset, the building known as Stephen House.

Having survived the "Global Financial Crisis", an Australian election and continuing economic uncertainty, we can point to good management of resources and "belt tightening" which have carried us through. Efforts to fill the vacant office space have been successful and contributed to a slightly higher income.

The AIIA is still in a difficult financial situation in that a considerable proportion of our income is neither guaranteed nor entirely predictable. We rely on the generosity of donations, bequests and a small government grant.

Specifically the AIIA's income is, and continues to be, derived from four main sources (in order of magnitude):

- royalties from publications such as the *Australian Journal of International Affairs*
- an annual grant from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- donations and bequests
- rental revenue from our headquarters building, Stephen House

Cash reserves have been largely reduced by unexpected and long term vacancies in the recent past. Much effort has been put into options regarding Stephen House including a lengthy and expensive deconcessionalisation process.

Astute and careful management of resources by our dynamic National Executive Director, Melissa Conley Tyler, and her trusty Deputy National Executive Director John Robbins under the guidance of National President, and

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former Australian diplomat John Mc Carthy AO and the excellent assistance by the interns who have brought with them a variety of specialist skills have all contributed to the slightly improved financial situation this year.

At the risk of embarrassing our generous Zara Kimpton (the National Vice President and Patron of the Friends of the AIIA), let me say that she is an amazing role model for current and future donors. Zara, who had previously very generously donated \$10,000 per year for each of five years (from 2008) to the National Office has not only increased that pledge to eight years but has given a lump sum of \$40, 000 the year before last, making a total of \$110,000!!. AIIA VIC has also benefited from Zara's generosity over the years to the tune of \$50,000. Thank you again, Zara.

All donations are tax deductible as the AIIA has DGR status, which means the AIIA is a registered gift charity for fundraising purposes and has income tax exemption. Donated funds are distributed to the state branches in accordance with the national Executive's decisions, whilst taking into account the donor's wishes.

The state and territory offices continue to ensure that the Australia wide membership (in excess of 1400) is well served and that they remain focused on the primary aim of the AIIA, that is: promoting an interest in, and a knowledge of, foreign relations.

Apart from donations, branches are supported primarily by membership and events income. Online tax-deductible donations can be made via the AIIA website - www.internationalaffairs.org.au/youth-community/friends-of-the-aiaa/

The organisation's ongoing expenditure is mainly associated with the previously mentioned income streams, such as maintaining Stephen House, the Institute's publishing activities and DFAT grant activities. Salary expenditure is very low for such a high profile organisation as AIIA with the National Executive Director and the Deputy Director being the only two paid staff. In 2013-14, we were grateful that DFAT seconded Peter Macfarlane to fulfill the role of AIIA Director of Communications. We are indeed fortunate to benefit from the broad ranging voluntary assistance of interns from both Australia and overseas.

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The AIIA also manages the Nygh Fund which sponsors an internship with the Hague Conference for Private International Law. Large gifts from the Nygh family and the Attorney General's Department generate the income for this scholarship (which is usually \$11,000). This year the AIIA was delighted to present (on behalf of the Nygh Fund) the award to Brody Warren. Our congratulations go to Brody.

The Executive will be confronted by some very difficult decisions over the next year or so to ensure the long term future of the organization.



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Honorary National Treasurer

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