



Australian Institute of International Affairs
National President's Forum
and associated events

Perth, Tuesday 23 August to Thursday 25 August

Schedule

Tuesday 23 August

AIIA Annual General Meeting and Strategic Planning Day 12.00 - 5.30 pm
University of Western Australia, St Catherine's College

AIIA WA Branch/ UWA Event
Lawrence Wilson Art Gallery, University of Western Australia 6.00 - 8.00 pm
Followed by dinner (by invitation) at the University of Western Australia Club

Wednesday 24th August

National President's Forum 8.45 am - 5.15 pm
Legislative Council Chamber, Parliament House

Reception (by invitation) 6.00 for 6.15-7.30 pm
Government House
Transport provided from Parliament House

Thursday 25th August

Business Breakfast 7.00 – 9.00 am
Western Australian Club, 101 St Georges Terrace

August 2011



AIIA (WA) Notice of Event

The Australian Institute of International Affairs and
University of Western Australia

Upcoming events

Tues. 20 September
Samira Nabizadah – a
Refugee's Story
St Catherine's College

Tues. 27 September
International Quiz Night
St Catherine's College.

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AIIA National President's Forum – India 2020 –Open Forum

Date: Tuesday 23rd August 2011

Time: 6:00 for a 6:30pm start

Venue: Lawrence Wilson Art Gallery, University of Western Australia

The meeting is open to AIIA members and guests.

India Now – And What it Means for Australia

India's emergence as a significant political and economic global power has had wide-ranging regional and international repercussions, including on the relationship between Australia and India. AIIA WA President Sue Boyd will moderate an engaging panel session involving leading experts and policy-shapers exploring India's internal dynamics, international relations and the future of the Australia-India relationship.

About the speakers:

Ambassador Lalit Mansingh is the Former Foreign Secretary of India, Ambassador to the United States of America and High Commissioner to the United Kingdom

Professor Amitabh Mattoo is the Director of the Australia-India Institute at the University of Melbourne

Professor Ramesh Thakur is a Professor of International Relations at the Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy, Australian National University

Professor Samina Yasmeen is the Director of the Centre for Muslim States and Societies at the University of Western Australia

Moderator: Dr Sue Boyd is WA President of the Australian Institute of International Affairs

About the AIIA

The AIIA is an independent, non-profit, non-partisan organisation promoting interest in and understanding of international affairs in Australia. We have more than 1600 members across 7 State and Territory Branches. The AIIA provides an excellent opportunity to keep up to date with contemporary events, hear excellent speakers and network with like-minded people of all ages. For more information please see our website: www.wa.aia.asn.au

We are grateful to the University of Western Australia's Centre for Muslim States and Societies and the following for their generous support of this event:



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Australian Institute of International Affairs National President's Forum

Wednesday 24 August
Legislative Council Chamber, Parliament House, Perth

Arrival 8.45-9.00

Welcome 9.00-9.05
The Hon Barry House MLC, President of the Legislative Council, Parliament of Western Australia

Opening Comments 9.05-9.45
Mr John McCarthy AO FAIIA, National President, Australian Institute of International Affairs

HE Mrs Sujatha Singh, Indian High Commissioner to Australia

Session 1: Understanding India's Strategic Environment 9.45-11.00

Chair
Professor Anna George, Vice-President, AIIA WA Branch and Adjunct Professor, Murdoch University School of Law

Speakers
Ambassador Lalit Mansingh, Former Foreign Secretary of India, Ambassador to the United States of America and High Commissioner to the United Kingdom
Richard Smith AO PSM FAIIA, Former Secretary of Defence

Moderator
Professor Samina Yasmeen, Director, Centre for Muslim States and Societies, University of Western Australia

Morning Tea 11.00-11.45
Including announcement of the formation of the WA Parliamentary Friends of India Group

Session 2: India's Internal Dynamics 11.45-1.00

Chair
Simon Johnson, Director, Trade Development, WA Department of Agriculture and Food

Speakers
Professor Robin Jeffrey, Visiting Research Professor, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore

Professor Raghendra Jha, College of Asia and the Pacific, ANU, Executive Director,
Australia South Asia Research Centre

Moderator

Associate Professor Anu Rammohan, Business School, University of Western Australia
Business School

Lunch 1.00-2.00

Session 3: India Towards 2020 2.00-3.15

Chair

Zara Kimpton OAM, National Vice-President, Australian Institute of International Affairs

Speakers

T. N. Ninan, Chairman and Chief Editor, *Business Standard*

Alan Davies, President, International Operations, Rio Tinto Iron Ore

Moderator

Professor Ramesh Thakur, Asia-Pacific College of Diplomacy, Australian National
University

Afternoon Tea 3.15-3.45

Session 4: Implications for Australia 3.45-5.00

Chair

The Hon Elizabeth Lloyd Behjat MLC, Co-Convenor, Parliamentary Friends of India

Speaker

Professor Amitabh Mattoo, Director, Australia-India Institute, University of Melbourne

Rory Medcalf, Program Director for International Security, Lowy Institute for International
Policy and Senior Research Fellow, Indian Strategic Affairs, University of New South Wales

Moderator

Dr Meg Gurry, Research Fellow, La Trobe University and author of *India: Australia's
Neglected Neighbour?*

Concluding Remarks 5.00-5.15

Chair

Dr Sue Boyd, President, WA Branch, Australian Institute of International Affairs

Rapporteur's Report

Professor Garry Rodan, Asia Research Centre, Murdoch University

Closing Remarks

Ms Melissa Conley Tyler, National Executive Director, Australian Institute of International
Affairs

Participants

The Hon Adele Farina MLC, Co-Convenor, Parliamentary Friends of India

James Dalton, Acting Director, India, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka Section, South and Central Asia Branch, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

David MacLennan, State Director, Perth, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

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Dr Ravi Tomar, Senior Researcher, Foreign Affairs, Defence and Security Section, Parliamentary Library

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Professor Hema Sharda, Winthrop Professor and Director, South Asia Relations, University of Western Australia

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Dr Auriol Weigold, Visiting Fellow, University of Canberra

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Dr Noelene Reeves

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Australian Institute of International Affairs presents
India 2020
Business Breakfast

T.N. Ninan, Chairman, *Business Standard* of India

Alan Davies, President of International Operations, Rio Tinto Iron Ore

Thursday August 25, 2011, 7.00am-9.00am
WA Club Perth

The Australian Institute of International Affairs warmly invites you to a business breakfast in conjunction with the Western Australian Club.

This breakfast will feature the expertise and insight of T.N. Ninan, Chairman and Editorial Director of *Business Standard* of India and will provide the opportunity to interact with Australian and international experts visiting Perth for the AIIA National President's Forum.

At the AIIA's National President's Forum 'India 2020' a specially invited group of experts will engage in dynamic discussion of developments in India and their implications for Australia. This dialogue aims to produce a more thorough understanding of the strategic issues and social, political and economic climate in India and a discussion of solutions to current and future challenges. Participants include respected experts from India along with leading Australian government, academic and business figures. Many of the Forum participants will also attend this breakfast.

Date: August 25, 2011, 7.00am – 9.00 am
Location: WA Club, 101 St Georges Terrace, Perth, WA 6000
Cost: \$43.00 per person

This event is open to members of the WA Club, AIIA and Australia India Business Council and friends. To register: call Ana on (08) 9481 7000 or email functions@wclub.com.au

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