



Australian Institute of International Affairs Year in Review 2016—2017

Letter from the National President

This year shows that even a national institution can continue to grow. In its 93rd year, the Australian Institute of International Affairs continued to expand its reach and engagement with the community. Thousands of Australians from all around the country attended both state, territory and national AIIA events to further their understanding of contemporary issues in international affairs. Aided by the redevelopment of the AIIA's website, the *Australian Outlook* blog continued to grow in popularity, with more than 195,000 individual users visiting. In 2017 the *Australian Journal of International Affairs* was ranked among the world's top 50 international relations journals.

The 2016 AIIA National Conference attracted a record 380 attendees, solidifying the event as Australia's leading forum on Australian foreign policy. The AIIA was proud to lead the consortium for the three-year EU-Australia Leadership Forum. This included supporting the organisation of the first senior and emerging leaders' forums in Sydney in June 2017. The AIIA was also pleased to play a leading role in a number of high-level international dialogues including the Indonesia-Australia Dialogue.

The AIIA's profile was once again recognised with the institute being voted the top think tank in Southeast Asia and the Pacific for the third year running in the University of Pennsylvania's Global Go To Think Tank Index.

And, after much effort, the sale of Stephen House was concluded, enabling the AIIA to focus on its core mission.

I would like to thank all the AIIA's members, volunteers, donors and friends all around the country for their commitment to the AIIA's mission. I extend special thanks to the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade for its unwavering support; this allows the AIIA to continue its important work engaging with the Australian community. Finally, I would like to extend a special thanks to the National Executive for their support throughout my term, especially National Vice-President Zara Kimpton OAM and the AIIA's National Executive Director, Melissa Conley Tyler. I would also like to thank outgoing chair of the research committee, Professor Shirley Scott, for her indispensable work with the AIIA's many research publications.

Although it is with sadness that I finish my term as national president, I am delighted that Allan Gyngell AO FAIIA will be taking on the role. I know that he'll benefit from the enormous support of the AIIA's dedicated staff and members of the National Executive.

The Hon Kim Beazley AC FAIIA
National President

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"We can only succeed if Australians generate a broad base of the vigorous foreign policy discussion that has been the hallmark of the Australian Institute of International Affairs for more than eighty years now "

Frances Adamson, Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs, at the AIIA ACT Branch Annual Dinner 2017.

The AIIA in 2016-2017

The Australian Institute of International Affairs is an independent national organisation dedicated to promoting greater understanding of international issues.

Founded in 1924, the AIIA is made up of seven state and territory offices engaging the public in informed discussion of international events and foreign policy. Its membership brings together senior and emerging leaders from diplomacy, policymaking, aid and development organisations, business, law, the media and academia.

As part of its mission, the AIIA is a strong supporter of new research, fosters interest in global affairs through events and publications, and promotes international understanding of Australian foreign policy through roundtables and international dialogue.

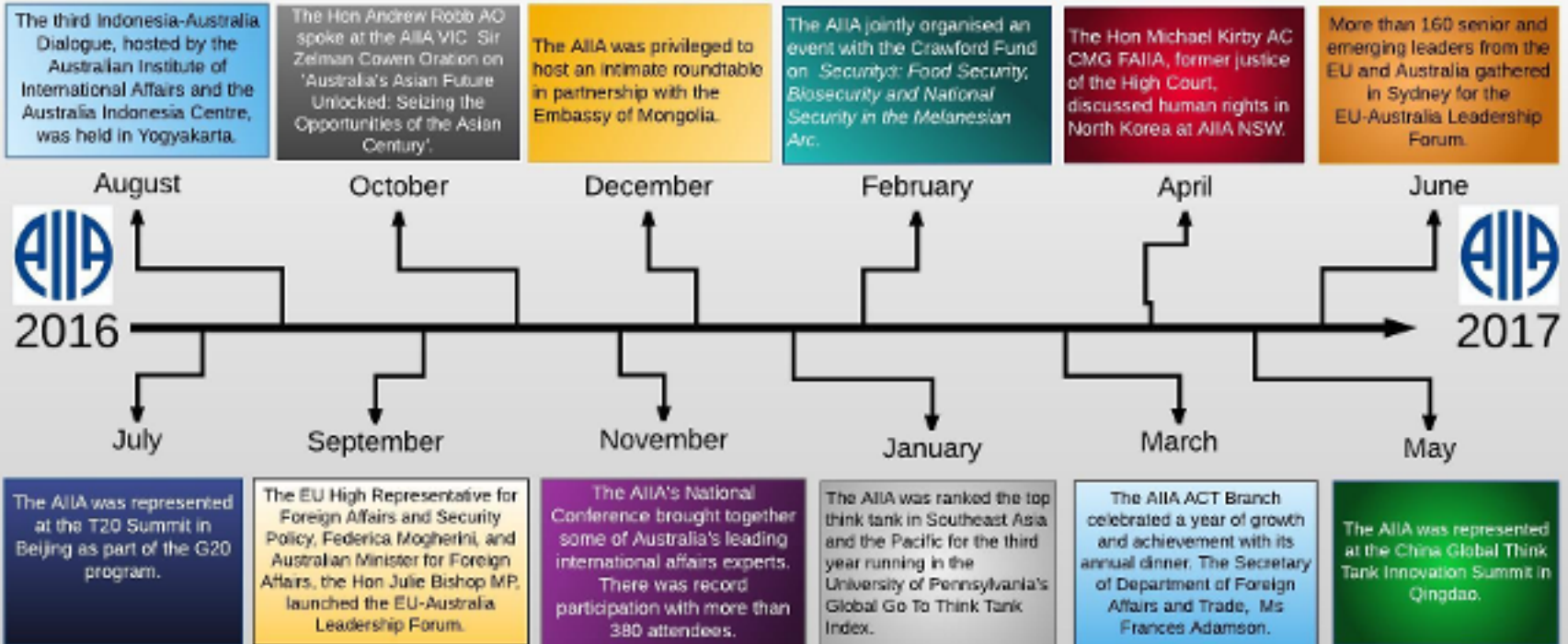
In recognition of its achievements, in 2017 the AIIA was voted the leading think tank in Southeast Asia and the Pacific by the University of Pennsylvania's Global Go To Think Tank Index for the third year running.

"Australia is well-served by this lively and intelligent foreign policy community. And the Australian Institute of International Affairs is one of the leading organisations supporting this community and fostering debate and discussion."

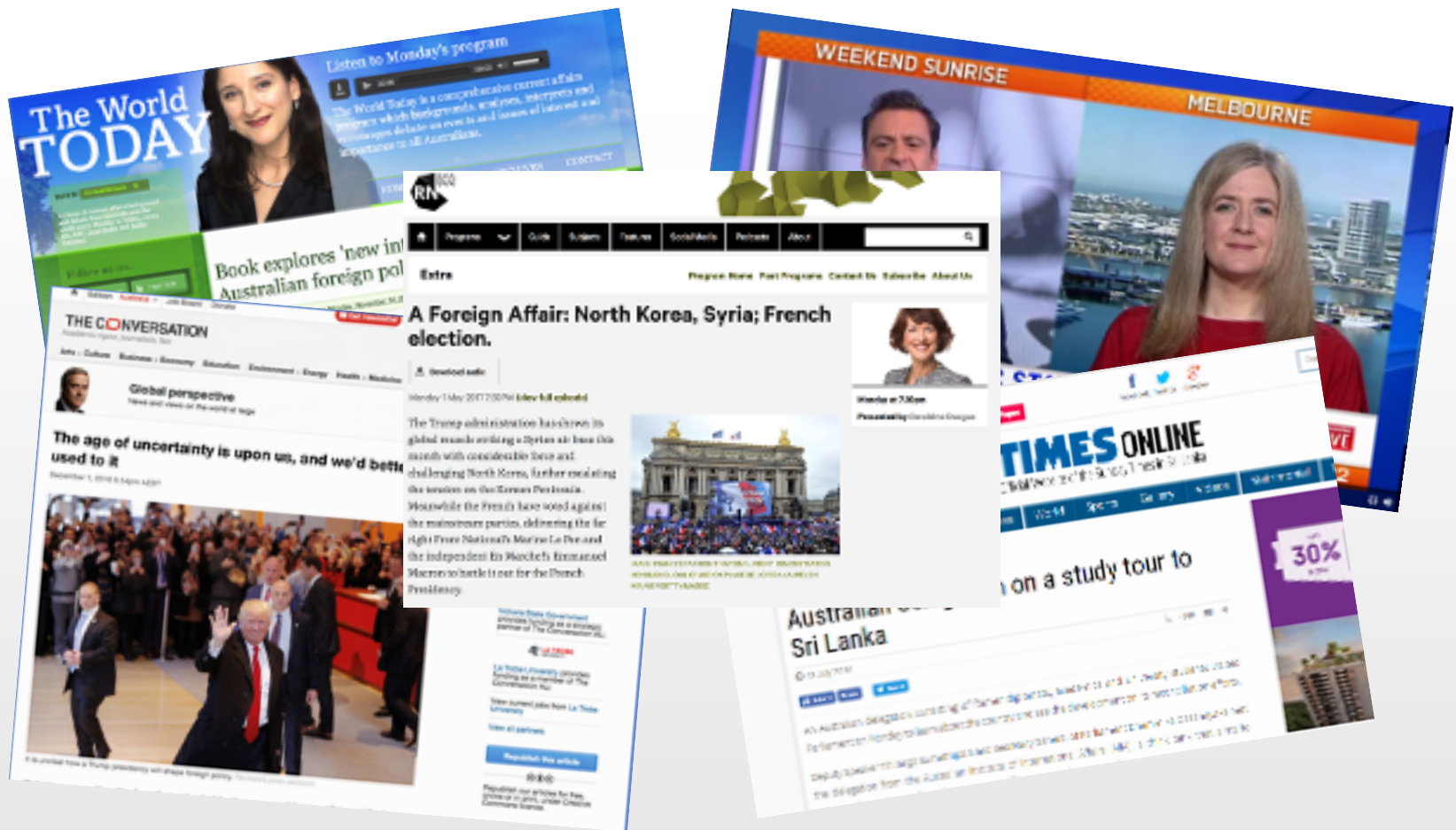
Senator the Hon Penny Wong, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, speaking at the AIIA 2016 National Conference.

- **554,276** page views of *Australian Outlook* blog and website
- **87,636** full-text downloads of the *Australian Journal of International Affairs* (AJIA)
- More than **1500** members
- **380** attendees at the 2016 National Conference
- More than **200** events annually in seven states and territories
- The AJIA now ranks among the world's **top 50** international relations journals.
- **14 languages** spoken in the AIIA National Office

Highlights



AIIA in the Media



Clockwise from left: [The Conversation](#) reported on Peter Varghese AO FAIIA's speech at the 2016 AIIA National Conference. Shahr Hameiri, co-editor of 'Navigating the New International Disorder: Australia in World Affairs', spoke to the ABC's 'The World Today'. National Executive Director Melissa Conley Tyler on [Weekend Sunrise](#) with Andrew O'Keefe. [Sunday Times](#) reported on the positive interactions between the AIIA VIC delegation and representatives from the Sri Lankan government. National Executive Director Melissa spoke as part of [Radio National's](#) Saturday Extra's 'A Foreign Affair' panel.

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Who We Are

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

National President

The Hon Kim Beazley AC FAIA

National Vice-President

Ms Zara Kimpton OAM

National Executive Director

Ms Melissa Conley Tyler

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Ms Kylie Bell

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Professor Shirley Scott
(To December 2016)

Professor Mark Beeson
(From February 2017)

Editor of the *Australian Journal of International Affairs*

Professor Nick Bisley

DFAT Representative

Mr Gary Quinlan AO



The AIIA's National Executive Director **Melissa Conley Tyler** explains why think tanks matter as the AIIA hosts the Australian launch of the University of Pennsylvania's Global Go To Think Tank Index where the AIIA again ranked top in its region.

PATRON AND HONORARY VISITOR

His Excellency General the Honourable Sir
Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd.)

Governor-General of the Commonwealth
of Australia

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South Australia

Associate Professor Felix Patrikeeff

Tasmania

Emeritus Professor Peter Boyce AO

Victoria

Mr Patrick Moore

Western Australia

Mr John R Goodlad

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Events

Overview

During 2016-17, the AIIA hosted more than **200 events** around Australia. The seven AIIA state and territory offices arranged lectures, roundtables and other special events in keeping with the organisation's mission to promote interest in and understanding of international issues.

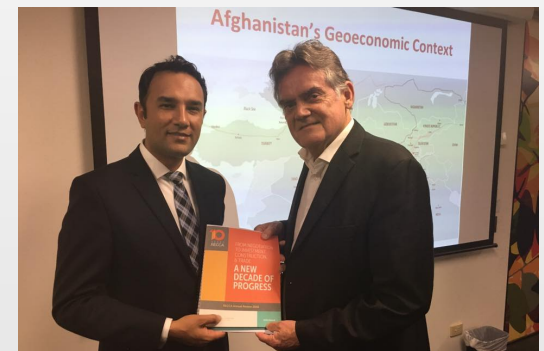
Throughout the year, thousands of AIIA members, as well as members of the public, took part in these events. From the largest- yet National Conference to the launch of the EU-Australia Leadership Forum, annual dinners and addresses by leading diplomats, academics and analysts, 2016-17 was an outstanding year for AIIA events.



AIIA NSW hosted Ross Garnaut AO, former ambassador to China. The event was covered by Sky News.



AIIA Fellow The Hon Dr Penny Wensley AC FAIIA at the 2016 ACT Branch Annual Dinner.



AIIA QLD President Geoffrey Ewing with His Excellency Mr Wahidullah Waissi, Ambassador of Afghanistan.

AIIA 2016 National Conference

Australian Foreign Policy: Navigating the New International Disorder

The 2016 National Conference proved once again to be Australia's leading foreign policy event with more than 380 attending to hear some of Australia's leading international affairs experts discuss Australia's foreign policy objectives and priorities in world affairs. The conference demonstrated a high level of youth engagement with more than 100 students attending and drew significant media coverage across all platforms from television and radio to social media. On the eve of the conference, the popular annual AIIA masterclasses at the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade provided a chance for students to engage in intimate discussion with prominent experts across seven fields.



The Hon Kim Beazley AC FAIIA, AIIA National President



Highlights from the AIIA 2016 National Conference.

Events



The Hon Bob Carr, former Minister for Foreign Affairs and Director of the Australia-China Relations Institute (ACRI) was interviewed on Australia-China relations. Mr Carr and ACRI were also a part of a roundtable discussion with a delegation from the Chinese Association for International Understanding (CAFIU).



Tim Bowden, a distinguished former ABC broadcaster, entertainer, author and oral historian spoke at AIIA Tasmania Branch. Tim reflected on aspects of his career as a foreign correspondent while highlighting the very different conditions which face foreign correspondents in the 21st century.



Tom Switzer, a Senior Fellow at the United States Studies Centre gave an address at a joint AIIA ACT Branch and Benjamin Franklin Club event. He provided insights and predictions on a range of foreign policy issues playing a role in the US Presidential election.

Mr Switzer also presented at AIIA NSW on 'US Foreign Policy after Trump'.

Events



Professor Valerie Hudson

Shortly before Dr Hudson's presentation to the Perth USAsia Centre on 29 May, she sat down with Flavia Zimmermann of AIIA for Western Australia. Professor Valerie Hudson has been named one of the top 100 Most Influential Global Thinkers by *Foreign Policy* magazine for her research showing gender imbalances have global consequences.



Elizabeth Collett

Elizabeth Collett is founding director of the Migration Policy Institute (MPI) Europe, and is senior advisor to the MPI's Transatlantic Council on Migration. She sat down with Cameron Steer, editor of *Australian Outlook*, to discuss migration within an Australia-EU context.



Dr Amy Searight

Dr Amy Searight is the senior adviser and director of the Southeast Asia Program at the Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington DC. She is former US deputy assistant secretary of defense for South and Southeast Asia in the Obama administration. She spoke to the AIIA on the American military, President Trump and the South China Sea.

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Events



High Commissioner of the Republic of Fiji to Australia, His Excellency Mr Yogesh Punja.



His Excellency Mr Navdeep Suri, India's High Commissioner to Australia.



Lunde Purevsuren, foreign policy advisor to the president of Mongolia and former Mongolian minister for foreign affairs.



Ambassador of the Republic of Iraq to Australia and New Zealand, His Excellency Dr Hussain Al-Ameri.

Events



Professor the Hon Stephen Smith, former minister for foreign affairs, trade and defence.



Russian Ambassador to Australia, His Excellency Grigory Logvinov.



Director of Communications, Annabel McGilvray, interviewed former Australian Ambassador to China, Dr Geoff Raby.



Former Japanese Defence Minister Satoshi Morimoto on the US-Japan alliance.

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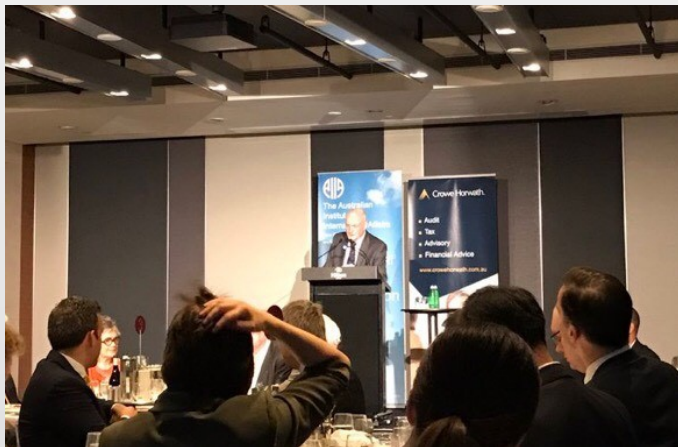
Events



Péter Szijjártó, Hungarian Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, AIIA ACT Branch.



Australian Ambassador to Laos, HE John Williams, speaking at AIIA Tasmania.



The Hon Kim Beazley AC FAIIA gave the oration at the AIIA NSW 2016 Charteris Dinner.



AIIA for WA members at the 2016 Christmas Party.

EU-Australia Leadership Forum

“Sharpen your Perspective: Shared Opportunities and Common Challenges”

More than 160 senior and emerging leaders from the EU and Australia gathered in Sydney from 2 June to 6 June as part of the [EU-Australia Leadership Forum](#). The gathering was a major event in the three-year EU initiative to strengthen EU-Australia relations. The AIIA is part of the international consortium selected to deliver this project. The forum featured a keynote address by the Hon Julie Bishop MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs.



The first publication of the EU-Australia Leadership Forum was released in June to coincide with the inaugural emerging and senior leaders' forums. Edited by AIIA National Executive Director Melissa Conley Tyler and Antonia Mochan, it includes essays by leading figures in Australia and the EU.

International Dialogue

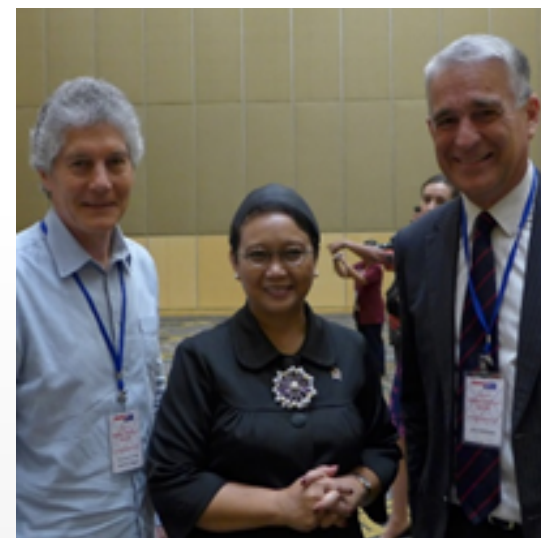
Australia-Indonesia Dialogue

The third Indonesia-Australia Dialogue took place in Yogyakarta in August 2016, organised by the Australian Institute of International Affairs and Indonesian Ministry of Foreign Affairs with the support of the Department of Foreign Affairs and the Australia Indonesia Centre. Jointly announced by leaders during the 2010 visit to Australia by President Yudhoyono, the Dialogue brings together politicians, businesspeople, civil society, media and academic experts to increase understanding and interaction between Australia and Indonesia.

Think Tank Summits and Dialogues

The AIIA was represented at various think tanks summits and international dialogues throughout 2016-17, including:

- Global Think Tank Summit, Montreal
- Think 20 Summit, Beijing
- European Think Tank Summit, London
- W20, Berlin
- Global Think Tank Summit, Yokohama
- China Global Think Tank Innovation Summit, Qingdao
- ASEAN-ANZ Dialogue, Kuala Lumpur
- Konrad Adenauer Foundation Global Strategy Advisory Board meeting, Cadenabbia
- Malaysian Institute of Maritime Affairs Second Track Conference on the South China Sea, Kuala Lumpur



Indonesian Minister for Foreign Affairs Her Excellency Retno Marsudi with Professor the Hon Stephen Smith, former minister for foreign affairs, trade and defence, and the Hon John Anderson AO, former deputy prime minister.



China Global Think Tank Innovation Summit, Qingdao



AIIA-Korea Foundation Next Generation Study Tour

In partnership with the Korea Foundation, the AIIA organised a study tour to South Korea in July 2016 for early to mid-career scholars in international affairs. Led by QLD President Geoffrey Ewing supported by National Operations Manager Rory MacNeil, the schedule included dialogues and four events with senior representatives from government and civil society.



AIIA VIC Sri Lanka Study Tour

AIIA VIC organised a very successful study tour to Sri Lanka in July 2016 for 20 participants led by former High Commissioner to Sri Lanka David Ritchie. The group was given privileged access to leading figures in politics and civil society, including the Lakshman Kadiragamar Institute, and to institutions and sites throughout the country.



AIIA VIC Iran Study Tour

A 25-member delegation from AIIA VIC traveled to Iran in April 2017 to investigate the Islamic Republic and its role in the international community. Led by AIIA VIC President Patrick Moore, the group visited and interacted with a variety of civil society organisations, including the Institute for Political and International Studies (IPIS), and met with the Australian Ambassador to Iran, His Excellency Ian Biggs.

Research & Publications

Research Committee: Chair's Report

During 2016-17 the Australian Institute of International Affairs continued its policy of encouraging new publications in the area of Australian foreign policy and diplomacy.

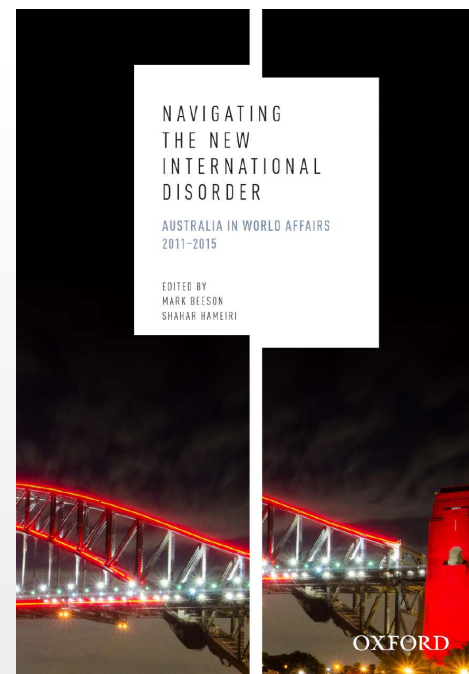
I'm delighted to report that a new edition of the AIIA's flagship publication – *Navigating the New International Disorder: Australia in World Affairs 2011-2015* – appeared in 2016, on this occasion edited by myself and Associate Professor Shahar Hameiri of the University of Queensland. As ever, it contains an impressive line-up of scholars who analyse the most important issues in contemporary Australian foreign policy.

Equally noteworthy was the publication of the 3rd edition of *International Law in Australia* in 2017. Edited by Professor Donald Rothwell and Dr Emily Crawford, this is a landmark series that has tracked the development and significance of international law for Australia since 1965.

Two other achievements merit mention. First, Dr Joanne Wallis, the winner of the AIIA's Publication Support Grant in 2015, is just about to publish her book *Pacific Power? Australia's strategy in the Pacific Islands*.

Second, the AIIA's online publication *Australian Outlook* continues to go from strength to strength. Covering topical issues in current affairs as well as more general essays on foreign policy issues, *Australian Outlook* attracts contributions from both academics and policymakers, something that helps to account for its growing readership.

Lastly, I would like to thank Professor Shirley Scott for all of her work as previous Chair of the Research Committee.



Professor Mark Beeson,
Chair, Research Committee

Australian Institute of International Affairs Research Committee

Research Chair:

Professor Mark Beeson, University of Western Australia (from 2017)

Professor Shirley Scott, University of New South Wales (to 2016)

Research Committee:

Professor Nick Bisley, La Trobe University

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

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Professor Samina Yasmeen AM FAIIA, University of Western Australia



Australian Journal of International Affairs: Editor's Report

I am very pleased to report that the *Australian Journal of International Affairs* has had another very positive year. The journal has continued to increase its readership, the quality of submissions is high and the broader scholarly impact continues to grow.

In 2016 the Journal's Impact Factor – the industry standard measure that indicates the quality and broader impact of the work published in the journal – was 0.859. This is the highest ever achieved in the journal's history and ranks us 50th in the world in international relations journals.

The download rate of articles also increased by 3.7% with nearly 90,000 unique article downloads. Early figures in 2017 indicate a significant growth in downloads this year. Given the highly competitive nature of academic publishing the AJIA should be very pleased with this performance.

The winner of the 2016 Boyer Prize for the best original article published in the AJIA was **Dr Daniel Bray** from La Trobe University for his article 'The geopolitics of Antarctic governance: sovereignty and strategic denial in Australia's Antarctic policy'. In 2016 we published two special issues: 'Beyond Bandung: The 1955 Asian-African Conference and its Legacies for International Order' guest edited by **Associate Professor Andrew Phillips** and 'Australian Diplomacy Today' guest edited by **Professor Caitlin Byrne, Melissa Conley Tyler and Associate Professor Susan Harris Rimmer**.



Professor Nick Bisley
Editor-in-Chief, *Australian Journal of International Affairs*

I am extremely grateful for the strong support the journal receives from our excellent editorial board and would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their dedication and hard

"A lot of academics covet being published in the Australian Journal of International Affairs. It's read by policymakers – which is not something you can say about every journal out there."

Professor Andrew O'Neil, former editor of the AJIA.

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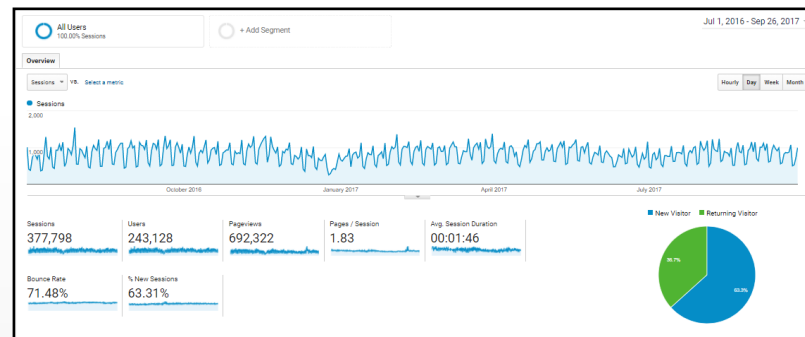
Australian Outlook

Australian Outlook is the AIIA's national online showcase for high-quality analysis and comment on international issues. It provides an Australian perspective on world events to generate further understanding among Australians of global politics.

Over 2016-17 the total number of online views for the AIIA website and *Australian Outlook* came to 554,276. Articles were widely distributed via social media on Facebook and Twitter, as well as via an email digest to subscribers every Friday.

The growing popularity of the blog was due to the strength of the contributions. It was a credit to the standing of the AIIA and the blog, as well as the work of the *Australian Outlook* editors, that so many high-profile authors were happy to share their insights and opinions.

In addition to publishing *Australian Outlook*, the AIIA continued to republish leading commentary and analysis from international partner institutions as part of *Global Wire*.



Some of the most popular authors for 2016-17 were:

The Hon Andrew Robb AO, former minister for trade and investment.

The Hon Dr Wayne Mapp, former New Zealand Minister of Defence.

Anne-Marie Balbi, Department of Social Sciences and Security Studies, Curtin University.

Adjunct Professor James Brown, Adjunct Professor, US Studies Centre, University of Sydney.

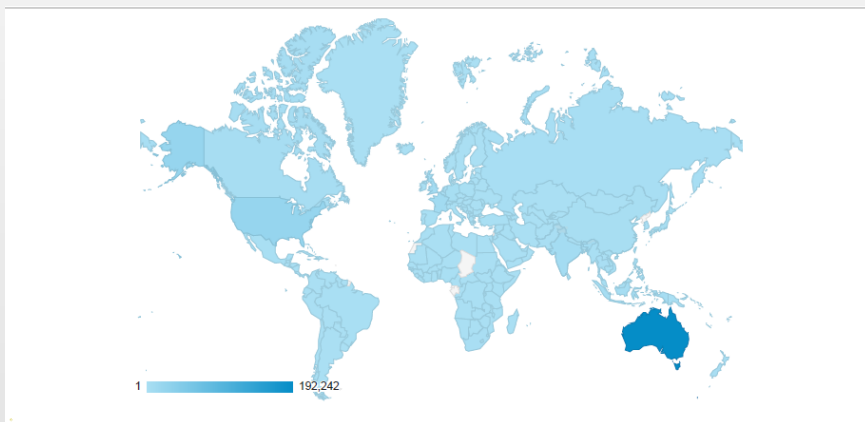
Professor Ramesh Thakur, former United Nations Assistant Secretary-General, ANU.

Australian Outlook

Australian Outlook and the AIIA website has a truly international reach, with users from a staggering 213 countries around the world visiting the website.

The top 10 destinations were as follows:

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Australia: 192,242 | 6. Indonesia 4,924 |
| 2. United States: 23,497 | 7. Canada 3,837 |
| 3. France: 9,488 | 8. Germany 3018 |
| 4. United Kingdom: 8,243 | 9. Singapore 2,787 |
| 5. India: 6,492 | 10. China: 2,700 |



The AIIA thanks the *Australian Outlook* editors for 2016-17:

Rashi Yadav	Steven Warwick
Ante Malenica	Cameron Steer



Youth & Community Engagement

Youth engagement is a key part of the AIIA's mission. Youth outreach activities include schools programs, careers fairs, internships and bursaries. AIIA youth networks help inform and facilitate debate amongst a new generation of leaders. The AIIA also hosts more than 90 interns annually, from various backgrounds and disciplines and from across Australia and around the globe.

Peter Nygh Hague Conference Internship

The Nygh Internship award supports a postgraduate student or graduate of an Australian law school to undertake an internship with The Hague Conference on Private International Law in the Netherlands in conjunction with the Australian Branch of the International Law Association.

The 2016 winner was Reyna Ge, making her the 10th recipient of the award.



Reyna Ge receiving her award from The Hon Michael Kirby AC CMG FAIA

Young Diplomats Program

In 2016 the AIIA continued its long-term partnership with James Cook University to run a diplomacy competition for Year 10 students from the Townsville region in North Queensland. Winners were given the opportunity to attend the AIIA National Conference.



Euan Crone Asian Awareness Scholarship

The Euan Crone Asian Awareness Scholarship was initiated in 2013 with the goal of deepening young Australians' awareness of countries in Asia and issues associated with the Asian region. In 2016, grants were awarded to the following young AIIA members:

- **Emily Boyd** (QLD) for research on farming practices across Java and Bali
- **Thomas Brown** (SA) for research on early childhood education in Jakarta with the World Bank
- **Susannah Scaturchio** (NT) for studies in traditional art and craft techniques
- **Ben Archer** (ACT) for a course on business and entrepreneurship in Bhutan



2016 recipient Thomas Brown in West Timor, one of Indonesia's poorest regions.

WA Bursary for Studies in Asia Program

The AIIA for WA offers two bursaries annually to support students from Western Australian universities to undertake educational activity in countries within Asia. In March 2017, after working through a record number of applications, the judging panel and the bursary committee announced that the following two recipients of the 2017 Bursary to study in Asia would receive \$2,000 to put towards their educational endeavours:

- **Kingsley Nguyen** attended the 8th University Scholars Leadership Symposium at the United Nations in Bangkok
- **Emma O'Hara** from Murdoch University travelled to Indonesia with ACICIS Study Indonesia

AIIA Queensland Recognition

AIIA Queensland continued its two annual presentations to foster and reward excellence in international affairs. The AIIA Queensland Award is intended to recognise a Queensland resident who has made significant achievements in international affairs, while the AIIA Queensland Asia-Pacific Scholarship encourages Queensland university students to engage with the region through study abroad programs, internship placements or field work to enhance understanding of the Asia Pacific and improve Australia's standing in the region.

AIIA Queensland Award 2016

The Queensland Award 2016 was awarded in November to the Chair of the Australia Indonesia Business Council, **Dr Kathleen Turner**, for her work as an advocate for the enhancement of the bilateral relationship between Australia and Indonesia in Queensland.

AIIA Queensland Asia-Pacific Scholarship 2016

In November 2016, the AIIA Queensland Asia-Pacific Scholarship was awarded to Griffith University student **Elizabeth Dowrie**. Ms Dowrie used it to further her studies of legal and gender issues in Asia. In addition to spending a semester at the China University of Political Science and Law, she completed an internship with an organisation specialising in women's legal issues to equip her with skills to empower individuals and groups to tackle gender-based violence.



Dr Kathleen Turner and Elizabeth Dowrie recognised in 2016 by AIIA Queensland President Geoffrey Ewing and Governor of Queensland, His Excellency Paul de Jersey AC.

Youth & Community Engagement



AIIA VIC's 12th International Careers Conference in Melbourne.



AIIA for WA's Careers Without Borders, an annual event that introduces students to career opportunities in international affairs.



AIIA Tasmania Branch's Young Professionals' Forum held a Professional Development & Networking Evening



One of the many AIIA VIC young professionals' events throughout 2016-17.

Australian Institute of International Affairs

Fellows of the AIIA

Each year, the AIIA is pleased to honour individuals who have made a distinguished contribution to Australia's international affairs as Fellows of the AIIA. Nominations can be made by AIIA members at any time.

In 2016, the Australian Institute of International Affairs was delighted to honour the following:

Dr Sue Boyd

Dr Alison Broinowski

Clive Hildebrand AM

Martine Letts

Greg Sheridan AO

Professor Russell Trood

Peter Varghese AO

Tony Wheeler AO &

Maureen Wheeler AO



Peter Varghese AO FAIIA spoke at the AIIA National Conference 2016

"In fluid times such as these, the best policy response is anchored in a clear-eyed view of our national interests, an unsentimental understanding of shifts in economic and strategic weight, a steady commitment to the core values which define our nation, and the diplomatic heft to advance our key relationships and to contribute to the strengthening of effective regional and global institutions. "

Australian Institute of International Affairs

Fellows of the AIIA



AIIA Fellow David Irvine AO FAIIA presented at the AIIA ACT Branch on 'Australia in the Cyber Century'.



Dr Ken Henry AC FASSA FAIIA receiving his Fellow award from AIIA NSW President Richard Broinowski.



AIIA National Vice President Zara Kimpton OAM presenting Dr Francis Gurry FAIIA with his Fellow award in 2016.



The Hon Michael Kirby AC CMG FAIIA receiving his Fellow award from National Executive Director Melissa Conley Tyler in 2016.

Interns & Volunteers

AllIA national, state and territory offices were supported in 2016-17 by **97 interns** from around Australia and across the globe. Together with other volunteers, they play a significant role in the life and work of the AllIA nationwide.

National Office

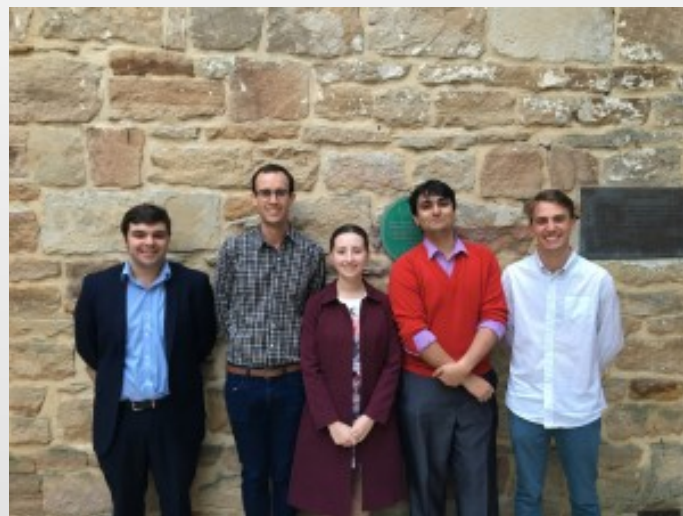
Rashi Yadav, Tarisa Yasin, Fionn McGorry, Jeremy Huai-che Chiang, Michelle Menendez, Rhea Matthews, Alison McMaster, James Atkinson, Emma Brockhurst, Tingting Luo, Ella Pyman, Steven Warwick, Brendan Martin, Pauliina Parviainen, Claire Wong, Zoe Glasson, Madeleine Durand, Neal Redden, Emily Sunderland, Susan Kim, Lisa Green, Will McEniry, Ante Malenica, Caroline Karavoulas, Roberta Rusciano, Nelson Harris, Avalon Carnall, Claudia Russo, Bobby Wen, Cameron Steer, Evan Keeble, Edwina Blackburn, Amelia Tan, Trevor Alexander, Jim Medew, Simon Harris, Dylan Aikens, Kristen Dennard, Yidan Qu, Hamish Whittle, Karan Dhamija.

ACT

Amy Prosser, Vibhore Singh, Sarah Barrie.

New South Wales

Ben Robbins, Harrison Howard, Hugh Piper, Natalie Kutcher, Zia Khan, Charlotte Zu, Farah Al Majed, James Levy, Phillip Alphonse, Toby Findlay-Williams.



Some of the hardworking AllIA NSW interns for 2016-17.

Interns & Volunteers

Queensland

Kate Barrett, Freya Bliss, Natalie McIntosh, Grace Kent, Charlotte Emily, Isabella Fredheim, Chris Boyle, Sean Goodwin, Georgia Brown, Lilly Gibson-Dougall, Alice Sinclair, Dominic Bailey, Kate Pedley, Ini Akinsanmi, Jordan Lee, Amelia Dunn, Shine Haidley, Lauren Branden, Theia Gabtan.

Western Australia

Sam Vinicombe , Flavia Zimmerman , Joel Lim , Helen Clark , Louise Clunies-Ross , Chris Doyle , Sara Lailey, Cat Slack.

Victoria

Ames Choucair, James Elmer, Melissa Liberatore, David Morris, Emily Ebbott, Will McEniry, Christina Brickle, Ainsley Carter, Angus Crawford, Lucy Vanderstelt-Gu, Rhenette Cabanero, Amelia McNair, Christopher Girardi, Stephanie Pepprell, Queena Jian, Wen Du.



Life Members

National

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Western Australia

Professor Richard HIGGOTT

Mrs Mary O'HARA

Mr John O'MAHONY

The Hon Kim BEAZLEY AC FAIIA

Professor Samina YASMEEN AM FAIIA



Life member Professor Samina Yasmeen AM FAIIA was interviewed by the AIIA on 'Women in Extremist Jihad'.



Life member Geoffrey Miller AO FAIIA presented a National Conference masterclass on [Diplomacy & Intelligence](#).

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The Hon Gareth Evans AC QC FAIIA was interviewed by National Executive Director Melissa Conley Tyler at the EU-Australia Leadership Forum.



WA President John Goodlad with Chair of the Research Committee, Professor Mark Beeson, at the AIIA for WA Christmas party.

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The Australian Institute of International Affairs would like to acknowledge the following individuals who sadly passed away during the year 2016-17 for their contribution to the AIIA.

Euan Crone

We were deeply saddened by the death on 8 April 2017 of one of the AIIA's great benefactors, Euan John Dalrymple Crone. A long-time member of AIIA VIC, Euan supported the Institute generously for many years. According to AIIA National Vice-President Zara Kimpton OAM:

"We will all miss him both as a friend and as a wonderful and generous supporter of the AIIA and mentor to so many of our young members."

The Euan Crone scholarship will continue to contribute to a deepening awareness of Asia among young Australians in his name.

Russell Trood

The AIIA was saddened that former AIIA Queensland President and AIIA Fellow, Professor Russell Trood, passed away on 9 January. According to AIIA National President The Hon Kim Beazley AC FAIIA:

"Russell was a contributor to the national discourse on foreign policy and national security matters of great substance. Politician, academic, writer, commentator he was a mentor to many. A humble man of quiet achievement. On behalf of the AIIA we express our sincerest condolences to his family and friends."

In his will Russell endowed the Russell Trood Internship to support a high-achieving student or recent graduate to gain valuable experience editing the AIIA's popular international affairs blog, *Australian Outlook*.



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Robert J White AO

The AIIA was saddened to learn of the death of Robert J. White. He was a past president of the AIIA from 1988–1991 and was made a national life member in recognition of his extensive contributions. Bob led a life of many achievements. He was a former CEO of Westpac and oversaw the merger between the Bank of New South Wales and Commercial Bank of Australia in 1982.



Professor Desmond Ball AO FAIIA

Des Ball was highly respected academic with a record of significant accomplishments across a number of fields, including nuclear deterrence, defence policy, regional security issues, security culture and intelligence.

As well as producing a prodigious volume of published material, Des was generous with his time, mentoring many students and junior academics. AIIA NSW held an event reflecting on his contributions. He will be missed greatly.



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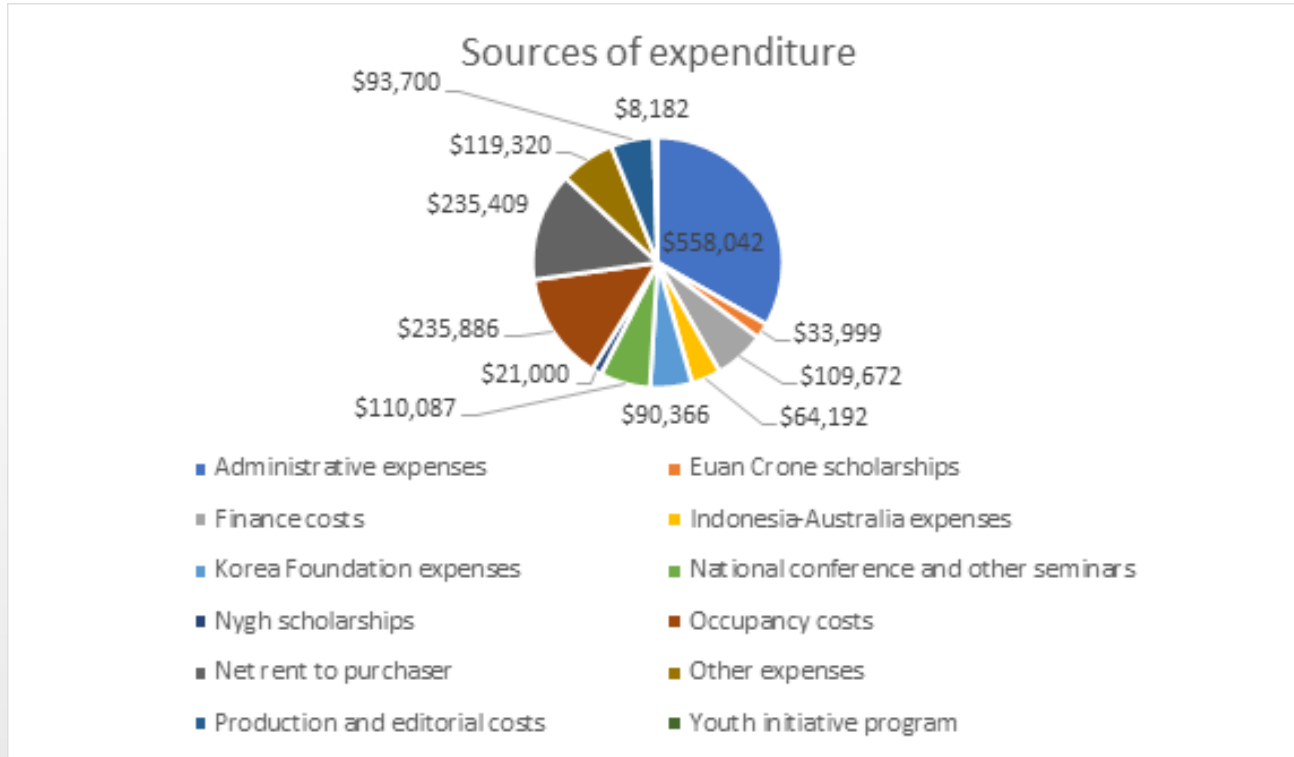


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