

## GLOBALISM INSTITUTE BULLETIN

Hello & welcome to the first Globalism Institute Bulletin for 2005!

We hope that you had an enjoyable and productive summer break and look forward to meeting with you at events occurring in the year ahead.

For enquiries relating to this mailing list, Globalism Institute events, or to submit items for inclusion the Bulletin, please contact [globalism@rmit.edu.au](mailto:globalism@rmit.edu.au)

*Please remember to format submissions in Arial 10 point and send them as a WORD document.*

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### GLOBALISM INSTITUTE / RMIT RELATED EVENTS (Summary)

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**Date:** Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February

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**RSVP:** No bookings required, all visitors welcome

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**Overview:**

The 'Pathways to Reconciliation and Global Human Rights' conference to be held in Sarajevo is an opportunity to bring together thinkers and practitioners to reflect upon, evaluate and advance the global human-rights agenda. The fourth in the Pathways to reconciliation series, it is also an opportunity to engage the specific locale of Bosnia and Herzegovina in a global context.

The conference will engage participants on the broad themes of: Reconciliation and the Human Rights Discourse; The Context and Strategy for Reconciliation and; Tools for Reconciliation: International Institutions, Networks and Laws.

Submissions are invited for the presentation of papers in Parallel Sessions and the facilitation of Workshops.

Parallel Sessions and Workshops will be held in addition to Keynote Addresses given by speakers including:

- \* Howard Dean, Governor of Vermont and Founder, Democracy for America
- \* Mr Olara Otunnu, Undersecretary General of the United Nations and UN Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict
- \* Benjamin Barber, Gershon and Carol Kekst Professor of Civil Society and Wilson H. Elkins Professor, Maryland School of Public Affairs

Visit the conference website for submission of papers, registration and full conference details:  
[www.sourcesofinsecurity.org/events/PathwaysToReconciliation.html](http://www.sourcesofinsecurity.org/events/PathwaysToReconciliation.html)

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**Overview:**

As part of the Commonwealth Government's initiative following the Bali bombings to bolster Australian-Indonesian relationships and for key Indonesian Muslims to better understand the role of Islam in an Australian multicultural society, three Indonesian visitors, sponsored by Mr. Philip Knight of the Islamic Council of Victoria, will be visiting RMIT's Globalism Institute. This is the eighth of such visits to RMIT, and the emphasis in the delegation this time is on young student leaders.

The dialogue session will be hosted by Professor Des Cahill who will explain Australia's cultural and religious diversity. It will also be an opportunity to examine the reaction within the two countries to the South Asian tsunami and the election of the new Indonesian President. All are welcome to attend.

**Visitors:**

- \* Mr Wardi Taufiq: He is a postgraduate student in political science at the University of Indonesia. As well he is Head of Publications, Press and Journalism of the Central Board of

the Indonesian Muslim Student movement (PC PMII) in Jakarta and is Secretary General of the ASEAN Youth and Student Network

- \* Mr Donny Amir: From Aceh, he is a graduate in Management Transportation from Trisakti University. As well, he is a member of the General Election Department of the Central Board of the Justice and Prosperous Party (PKS) and a member of the Official Central Board Media Centre of PKS. He is a member of two anti-corruption groups and interested in urban transport, economics and politics
- \* Mr Ahmad Imam M. Rais: He is studying for a postgraduate Political Science degree at Padjadjaran University in Bandung and has been the national chairperson of the Muhammadiyah Junior Youth since December 2004. He is a senior member of Ikatan Remaja Muhammadiyah, responsible for policy and advocacy for young people and works on anti violence issues, using paintings on buses in Jakarta to spread the message (particularly during the recent general election). He participated in election education in Indonesia through the Jaringan Pendidikan Pemilih Rakyat.

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#### Overview:

The conference will address a range of critically important themes in the various fields that address the complex and subtle relationships between technology, knowledge and society. Main speakers include some of the leading thinkers in these areas, as well as numerous paper, colloquium and workshop presentations.

#### Speakers:

- \* William Dutton, University of Oxford, United Kingdom
- \* Telle Whitney, Anita Borg Institute for Women and Technology, USA
- \* Darin Barney, Department of Art History and Communication Studies, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
- \* Michel Laguerre, Berkeley Center for Globalization and Information Technology, USA
- \* Tim Luke, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, USA

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### **Speakers:**

- \* Manfred Steger, Professor of Politics and Government at Illinois State University, and Academic Director of the Globalism Institute at RMIT University in Melbourne, Australia (designate, beginning July 2005)
- \* Helena Norberg-Hodge, Founder and Director of the International Society for Ecology and Culture (ISEC)
- \* Lyuba Zarsky, Globalism Institute, RMIT, Australia, and Global Development and Environment Institute, Tufts University, United States
- \* Jon Hawkes, Author, The Fourth Pillar of Sustainability
- \* Walter Jamieson, University of Hawaii School of Travel Industry Management, Hawaii

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#### **Overview:**

The Two Fires Festival is a fantastic new event for Braidwood. A festival of national significance it will bring together artists, writers, filmmakers, poets, activists and environmental thinkers from all over Australia.

Inspired by the legacy of the great Australian poet, conservationist and reconciliation activist Judith Wright, the festival will celebrate and nurture Society's two fires: Arts and Activism

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#### **Overview:**

The objective of the conference is to create a congenial and safe environment within which academics; policy makers; foreign affairs, legal, defence and security professionals; NGO representatives from humanitarian and peace-building organisations, as well as graduate students with an interest in sustainable peace in the Asia Pacific region, can meet and discuss ways in which peace, justice and reconciliation can be advanced in the region at community, national and regional levels.

The conference is being convened by The Australian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies University of Queensland

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**Overview:**

As they sprawl across the face of the earth, cities are busy chewing up our raw materials and spitting out deadly emissions, taking their toll on our environment. Can cities ever be truly sustainable? Share your view with guests of the ECOEDGE conference, including leading writers, designers, planners and policy makers.

**Speakers:**

- \* MC - Phillip Adams - Broadcaster, Writer and Film Maker
- \* Alan Atkinson - Writer, Consultant and Sustainability Advocate
- \* David Engwicht - Writer and Transport and Urban Design Consultant
- \* Enrique Penalosa - Writer and former Mayor of Bogota, Columbia
- \* Wendy Sarkissian - Social Planner
- \* Prof. Emeritus David Yencken - Convenor Australian Collaboration

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**Overview:**

'Window on Economics' is for people working in advocacy roles in Australian social service not-for-profit organisations, specifically those who:

- \* Are involved in policy debates where economics is used;
- \* Do not have a background in economics; and
- \* Cannot easily access specialist economics advice.

The program will be limited to approximately 60 participants to ensure that participants can ask questions and discuss concepts.

Presenters from Monash University, University of Melbourne, Melbourne Institute and ACIL Tasman will provide information on economic theory and practice in a range of areas including:

- \* Government budgets and taxation
- \* The effects of privatisation
- \* Evaluating health outcomes

- \* Unemployment and the labour market
- \* Economics and the environment

Participants from outside Melbourne also have access to financial support for travel and accommodation.

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#### Overview:

Historically, transnational corporations (TNCs) from the countries of colonial powers have had a major impact on economic and political life in the Pacific islands. Today, TNCs operating in the Pacific dominate key sectors of the economy from oil, banking and finance to mining, logging and fisheries.

Beyond longstanding exploitation of natural resources, TNCs are increasing their investments in new sectors such as services. Pacific Island nations are considering 'free' trade agreements such as PICTA and PACER, at a time when there is increasing foreign investment in education and health, in providing public utilities like water and electricity, and even in national security.

**Professor Jane Kelsey and Nic Maclellan** will discuss how the Australian and New Zealand governments are pushing free trade agreements onto Pacific Island communities, before these communities have a chance to consider the costs and benefits to their societies and environments. They have both conducted recent research with the Pacific Network on Globalisation ( <http://www.pang.org.fj> ) to assist local communities in their efforts to mobilise around these issues.

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#### Overview:

Public Forum and Drinks hosted by the Australian Conservation Foundation and Future Leaders.

#### Speakers:

- \* Louise Sylvan, Deputy Chair of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission
- \* Clive Hamilton, Executive Director of the Australia Institute
- \* Mike Krockenburger, Strategies Director of the Australian Conservation Foundation