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## Welcome to the first Newsletter of 2014

Welcome to 2014! This year, the ESA is looking forward to hosting some great events. Professor Richard Zeckhauser from Harvard recently presented a great seminar on 'Decisions, Ignorance and Public Policy'. We'll have more lunchtime seminars to announce as the year progresses. The Emerging Economist Seminar Series continues this year, with the next event including a Q&A with Michael Stutchbury of the AFR. We'll also be announcing details of the 2014/15 Seminar Series in the next few months. These lunches are a great development opportunity for early-career economists. In July, Hobart will host the first joint ESAM/ACE, and registration will open soon. Unfortunately, we open the newsletter with the announcement that Steve Dowrick and Paul Miller recently passed away. Having taken Paul's microeconomics class, I can confirm he was an excellent teacher.

Kevin Lane, Secretary, ESA (NSW Branch)



### Paul Miller and Steve Dowrick

Unfortunately, Australia lost two great economists late last year: Paul Miller (pictured) and Steve Dowrick. Paul was editor of the Economic Record from 2006 and in 2011 was awarded an honorary fellowship of the Society. He was a prolific researcher and an excellent teacher. Steve was also recognised as an inspiring teacher and supervisor, who was a former head of the ANU's faculty of economics and commerce.

Andrew Leigh recently spoke fondly of Paul and Steve in parliament and his speech is available [here](http://www.andrewleigh.com/blog/?p=5335) or <http://www.andrewleigh.com/blog/?p=5335>



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### Emerging Economist Series

2013/14 Program

The next EES luncheon will be held on 13th February and we are delighted that Michael Stutchbury, Editor in Chief of the Australian Financial Review will be our guest speaker at this event. Registration for this year's EES program has now closed but if you'd like to receive details of the 2014/15 program please contact Di Litherland by email:

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Michael Stutchbury has been writing and editing on business, economics and politics for national newspapers in Australia for the past three decades. He has a First Class Honours Degree in Economics, worked for the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet in the early 1980s and was editor of The Australian from 2001 to 2006. He is a regular commentator on TV and radio, including ABC TV's 'Insider' program and a media delegate to the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland.

## ESAM/ACE 2014

Hobart, 1-4 July 2014



It's now only 6 months till the conference in Hobart and there's plenty to do!

1. Submit your abstract by 14 March
2. Start planning a wonderful trip to Tasmania – perhaps you can slip in a few extra days to play tourist!
3. Register to attend the conference – registration opens late January
4. Visit the website for all conference news and updates
5. For all enquiries, contact the conference organisers on 03 6234 7844 or [kate@leishman-associates.com.au](mailto:kate@leishman-associates.com.au)

## ESA Partner Events

Australian Business Economists

Mr Mike Callaghan AM, PSM, Director, G20 Studies Centre, Lowy Institute for International Policy

Are international economic summits all talk and no go?

Wednesday 12 February 2014

The Brisbane G20 Summit in November 2014 is said to be the most important international meeting Australia has ever hosted. But there is growing criticism that the G20 has failed to deliver the new age of international economic governance that was hoped shortly after the crisis. The G20 was expected to be the global economic steering committee. What will it take for Australia's turn as G20 chair to be considered a success?

To book on-line, please click [here](http://register.eventarc.com/20238/mr-mike-callaghan-am-psm-director-g20-studies-centre-lowy-institute-for-international-policy) or <https://register.eventarc.com/20238/mr-mike-callaghan-am-psm-director-g20-studies-centre-lowy-institute-for-international-policy>

## Call for Papers - SSRC

3-5 December, Malaysia

The 2nd International Conference on Social Security 2014  
"Social Dimensions of Economic Development and Productivity:  
Lessons, Challenges, and Opportunities for South East Asia"

3rd – 5th December 2014, Pullman Bangsar Kuala Lumpur, MALAYSIA

The Social Security Research Centre (SSRC) in collaboration with the Department of Development Studies and Institutions and Economics Journal (IE), Faculty of Economics & Administration, University of Malaya will be organizing the 2nd International Conference on Social Security 2014 titled "Social dimensions of economic development and productivity: Lessons, challenges, and opportunities for South East Asia" which will be held on 3rd–5th December 2014 in Pullman Bangsar Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Click [here](#) or <http://esacentral.org.au/event/intl-conference-on-social-security-2014/> for more.

## Call for Papers - ISS

27-30 July, Germany

The 15th Conference of the International Joseph A. Schumpeter Society  
"Foundations of Economic Change – Behaviour, Interaction and Aggregate Outcomes"

27 – 30 July 2014, Jena, GERMANY

The International Schumpeter Society Conference is open to submissions that deal with theoretical, methodological, empirical and policy issues with a broad Evolutionary or Neo-Schumpeterian focus. Submissions in the following areas are encouraged: Evolutionary and Behavioural Foundations of Economic Change; Innovation and Entrepreneurship in Context; Structural Change, Creative Destruction and Inequality; Evolution of Innovation Systems and Networks; Industrial Dynamics and Macro Regularities; Smart Policies in an Evolutionary Context. The deadline for submission of extended abstracts is 28 February 2014. [Click here](#) or <http://www.schumpeter-conference.de/> for more information.

## Seminars at Universities

University of Sydney

14 February, 3:30pm, Merewether Room 498  
Speaker: Ted Bergstrom, UC Santa Barbara

25 February, 4:00pm, Merewether Room 498  
Speaker: David Cooper, Florida State University

27 February, 4:00pm, Merewether Room 498  
Speaker: Carol Propper, Imperial College, London

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Closing Date: Wednesday, 19th February