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JOBS FOR ECONOMISTS

Economist/Policy Officer at DIISRTE – Canberra
<http://www.ecosoc.org.au/node/629>

Research Assistant - Department of Parliamentary
Services (DPS) Canberra
<http://www.ecosoc.org.au/node/627>

Analyst - Economic Regulation Authority WA
<http://www.ecosoc.org.au/node/623>

Jobs openings are advertised on the Economics Society Central Council website (www.ecosoc.org.au/cc/jobs). If you would like to advertise, free of charge, a job opening in the field of economics with us, please email details of the job to ecosocnsw@ecosoc.org.au

ECONOMICS Q AND A

6th MAY 2013



THE UNIVERSITY OF
SYDNEY

The Economics Society of Australia in conjunction with the School of Economics at the University of Sydney presents an 'Economics Q&A'. This event will be in the style of the ABC's Q&A television program – but with economics-related questions and panellists. You will have the chance to ask our expert panel questions as they debate the upcoming budget and the economic issues of the day.

The panel will be moderated by **Peter Martin** the national economics correspondent for The Age, The Sydney Morning Herald and The Canberra Times.

Panellists:

Bill Evans – Chief Economist at Westpac. Bill is a graduate from the University of Sydney and the London School of Economics. He has worked as a Research Manager for the Reserve Bank of Australia and as Treasurer at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia



Jessica Irvine is National Economics Editor of News Limited's metropolitan daily newspapers. Before that she was economics writer for The Sydney Morning Herald, including a two-year stint in the federal Press Gallery in Canberra. She has an honours degree in Economics. She is also authored "Zombies, bananas and why there are no economists in heaven: The economics of real life".

Miriam Lyons is the Executive Director of the Centre for Policy Development. Formerly the Policy Coordinator of New Matilda, Miriam has a long history of bringing policy ideas to new audiences, as the founding director of the Interface Festival of Ideas in Sydney, and director of the Ideas Program for the Straight Out of Brisbane Festival.



Prof Colm Harmon – Head of the Department of Economics at the University of Sydney. His main research interests are the economics of education, labour economics and applied economics policy. He has previously held visiting appointments at Princeton University, University of Chicago, University College London and the University of Warwick.

Stephen Kirchner is a Research Fellow at the Centre for Independent Studies (CIS). In addition to working at the CIS, Stephen is a Senior Lecturer at the School of Finance and Economics, University of Technology, Sydney. His areas of expertise include monetary and fiscal policy, financial markets, trade and investment and Public Choice.



Economic Society of Australia AGM

WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2013

The Annual General Meeting of the Economic Society of Australia will be held at 6pm on Wednesday, **19 June 2013**, at:

NSW Treasury
Level 24, Governor Macquarie Tower
1 Farrer Place, Sydney
(corner of Bent and Young Streets)

All positions on Council will be declared vacant. To nominate you and your nominators must be financial members, and you must agree to the terms of the Governance Statement, available [here](#), or on the 'Our Council' section of the website.

Under the Constitution's rules, nominations must be received by 5 June. Nominations should be addressed to the Secretary:

- email address: ecosocnsw@ecosoc.org.au
- mail to: PO Box 789, Willoughby NSW 2068
- fax: 02 9882 1142

The nomination form can be downloaded from the Society's website here, or at the following link:

<http://www.ecosocnsw.org.au/Portals/0/NominationsAGM2013-14.pdf>

If there are more nominations than positions, an online ballot will be held for President, while other positions will be voted on at the AGM by members present at the AGM.

For further information, please email ecosocnsw@ecosoc.org.au or call (02) 9417 2775.

Lunchtime Seminar

Speaker: Kevin Yeoh

WEDNESDAY 23RD MAY 2013

Topic: China's property market - an on-the-ground perspective

Time: 12:15 pm for 12.30 pm, Wednesday 23rd of May 2013. Presentations usually conclude by 1.15 pm to 1.30 pm

Venue: Ground Floor East Seminar Room, Reserve Bank of Australia, 65 Martin Place, Sydney

Cost: Free, light refreshments provided

RSVP: Please respond to ecosocnsw@ecosoc.org.au

Much is written about China's property market. What is the "Chinese property market"? How has it developed? Who are China's property developers? How is property sold? What are the risks? How representative is Ordos of the rest of China's property market? Kevin's talk will attempt to provide insight and answer questions on a sector which has previously been labelled the "most important sector in the world."

Kevin Yeoh was a founding member of AMP Capital's Asian Equities team and helped to manage a portfolio of AUD 1 billion dollars across pan-Asian equities and the Chinese A-share market. As a fund manager, Kevin travelled extensively throughout China and pan-Asia (Mongolia, Hong Kong, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia) and invested in a broad range of industries. Kevin has worked and studied in China on 3 occasions. This has given him a unique perspective on China's incredible development. He lived in South-Western China in the mid-1990's, just as the housing market was opening up and in Beijing in 2004, when the city was in the midst of a massive construction boom in preparation for the Olympics. Most recently Kevin was based in Beijing for 4 years, where he experienced an entire Chinese business cycle and saw first-hand the positive and negative policy results of China's massive 4 trillion dollar stimulus package, from Chongqing's mind-blowing housing construction explosion, to the multi-million dollar implosion of China's fraud-cap companies

Journal of the Economics and Business Educators New South Wales

The Economics and Business Educators (NSW) is interested in publishing articles from our members in their journal (Journal of the Economics and Business Educators New South Wales). The journal is targeted at economics teachers and students, so the articles would be most suitable if they related to sections of the HSC economics syllabus. These could include areas of global economics, trade and protection, exchange rates, monetary and fiscal policy, industry policy, environmental policy and issues, wages and labour market policies, income and wealth inequality and policies for growth. Case studies relating to any of

these areas would also be beneficial.

Articles should be sent to admin@ebe.nsw.edu.au for consideration. Please contact Dr Tony Stokes (Tony.Stokes@acu.edu.au) to obtain sample articles from a past journal.

Australian Conference of Economists

CALL FOR PAPERS CLOSING 15 MAY 2013

The Economic Society of Australia (ESA), in conjunction with Murdoch University, invites you to participate in Australia's largest annual conference of economists.

When: Sunday, July 7, 2013 - Wednesday, July 10, 2013

Researchers are invited to submit original papers that examine factors that influence "Beyond the Frontiers: New Directions in Economics". We welcome the submission of papers that further develop this theme. We believe the theme offers considerable flexibility and could be used to report research findings or discuss issues related to areas such as:

GFC / Euro / Banking Crisis
Resources Boom (Energy Crisis)
Federal / State Financial Relations
Chinese Economy and Impact on WA / Australia
Experimental and Behavioural Economics
Climate Change / Environment
Monetary Policy / World Bank

The organisers would welcome papers on other subjects. Please contact Professor David Butler, Conference Chair, on +61 (0)8 9360 2078 or ACE2013@murdoch.edu.au should you have any questions.

Submit your paper here:
<https://editorialexpress.com/conference/ACE2013>

New Administrator

The Council would like to announce that we have appointed a new administrator for the society Diane Litherland. We'd like to thank Fiona McClosky for her all her hard work as administrator and wish her well for her next endeavour.

Seminars at Universities

These seminars are subject to change. Please check the links provided to confirm.

[University of New South Wales](#)

Date	Time	Place	Speaker	Topic
3 May	4.00 pm	Quad 032	Catherine Forbes, Monash University	TBC
8 May	12.00 pm	ASB 115	Joep Sonnemans University of Amsterdam	TBC
10 May	3.30 pm	ASB 115	Nico Voigtlaender, UCLA Anderson School of Management	TBC

For seminars/speakers with TBA topics, please see their [website](#) (www.asb.unsw.edu.au).

[University of Sydney](#)

Date	Time	Place	Speaker	Topic
9 May	4:00pm	Merewether room 498	Ippei Fujiwara, ANU	TBC
23 May	4:00pm	Merewether room 498	Toru Suzuki, UTS	TBC

For seminars/speakers with TBA topics, please see their [website](#)

[University of Technology, Sydney](#)

Date	Time	Place	Speaker	Topic
15 May	4:00pm	Room D301	Diego Moreno (University Carlos III of Madrid)	TBC

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Macquarie University. For TBA speakers, please see their [website](#) (www.econ.mq.edu.au).