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Newsletter #39

Economic Society of Australia,
 New South Wales Branch,
 August 2017
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Dear friend,

Welcome to ESA NSW's August newsletter.

Events

The path to gender diversity in economics

Details

The NSW Branch of the Women in Economics Network together with sponsor PwC are pleased to present a lunchtime panel discussion on the path to diversity in economics. The panel will discuss issues relating to the progress to date and future progress to improve gender diversity in economics. The panel will feature perspectives from both economics professionals (including a recent university graduate, and experienced economists with both public and private sector experience) and from Lisa Annese CEO of the Diversity Council Australia (DCA) around best practice and other sectors that we can learn from. There will also be an opportunity for questions from the floor.

- Cost: This event is free of charge for ESA members. More information about becoming a member of ESA please [follow this link](#)
- Lunch is included but places are limited so RSVP is essential.

Date Wednesday August 23, 2017

Time From 12:00 pm for a 12.30pm start until 2.00pm

Venue PwC, Level 17, One International Towers, Watermans Quay, Barangaroo, NSW 2000

Sponsors With thanks to the sponsors of this event - PwC



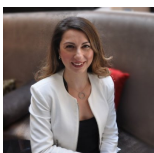
About the Panellists

Lisa Annese - Chief Executive Officer, Diversity Council Australia Ltd



Lisa Annese was appointed CEO of DCA in June 2014 where she heads a team to lead public debate, conduct proactive research and develop innovative resources for organisations in the area of diversity. She first joined DCA in 2009 and left for a short stint in 2011 as the first dedicated Diversity Manager at Corrs Chambers Westgarth, who later won the Lawyers Weekly Firm Diversity Award. Prior to joining DCA, she worked at the Equal Opportunity for Women in the Workplace Agency where she developed the first ever census of 'Australian Women in Leadership', 'Business Achievement Awards', and 'Employer of Choice for Women' citation. Lisa was awarded a Medal for Significant Contribution to the Australian Public Service and co-authored "Chief Executives Unplugged: CEO's Get Real About Women in the Workplace". In her capacity as CEO of DCA, she is a regular contributor to publications and regularly presents and speaks publicly in all areas of diversity.

Taleen Shamlian – Founder and Managing Director, Advisory Street



Taleen is the Founder and Managing Director of Advisory Street, a public affairs and economics consulting firm specialising in banking, payments and fintech services. Taleen has nearly 20 years of experience providing high quality advice to senior executives in the government, corporate, and not-for-profit sectors. Most recently, Taleen was the Head of Government Affairs and Public Policy for Visa's Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific operations. Taleen was also a Senior Government Affairs advisor at the Commonwealth Bank during the Global Financial Crisis. Taleen started her graduate career as an economist with Australia's Department of Treasury and was a Senior Manager at a leading Australian public policy consulting firm. Taleen is currently a Board member of the Armenian National Committee of Australia (ANCA) and represents her community at various forums, including at the Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC). Taleen is an Associate at the Payments Consulting Network and a Mentor for Stone & Chalk's resident start up community.

Jeremy Thorne – Economics & Policy Partner, PwC



Jeremy Thorpe is a Partner in PwC's national Economics & Policy consulting team. With more than two decades of experience, Jeremy's specialties lie in the areas of economic cost-benefit analysis, economics of copyright, government program reviews, government business cases, evaluation of regulatory change and disability, health and education sectors. Jeremy also serves of the RichmondPRA board, an organisation that works in local communities to help people on their mental health recovery journey. Previously, Jeremy has been Board Chairman of the not-for-profit, Viscopy, for six years. For a decade he was also Director of a leading Australian-owned consulting firm. Prior to this, Jeremy was economist with Australia's Department of Treasury and the Productivity Commission.

Kaixin Owyong – Graduate Economist, Reserve Bank of Australia



Kaixin Owyong is a graduate economist at the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) and treasurer of the Women in Economics Network (WEN) NSW. She has a keen interest in using economics to generate evidence based policy. Prior to joining the RBA, Kaixin worked as an economics tutor at the University of Melbourne. Kaixin holds a Bachelor of Commerce with first class Honours in Economics and a Diploma of Global Issues from the University of Melbourne.

Policy in the Pub: The future of housing policy and urban planning

This August, the Young Economist Network (YEN) NSW will be hosting **Policy in the Pub: The future of housing policy and urban planning**. Please join us as we talk with **Nicole Gurrán (USyd)** and **Hal Pawson (UNSW)** about urban planning and housing policy issues for NSW, and the policy tools that we can use to address them. This will be a great opportunity to engage with two leading Professors on one of the most topical issues in NSW and connect with other economists.

We intend this to be a free-flowing discussion, with possible topics including:

- Housing affordability
- Social housing
- Urban renewal
- Connectivity and urban infrastructure
- Planning for climate change

Details

Date Thursday 24 August
Time From 6.30pm till 7.30pm
Venue The Local Taphouse, 122 Flinders Street, Darlinghurst
Cost Free to members and \$10 for non members ([join now!](#)) - includes canapes and great conversation!
RSVP Registration closes Tuesday 22 August

Please look to arrive at 6.15pm for registration purposes.

Special Guests

Professor Nicole Gurrán



Nicole Gurrán is Professor of Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Sydney, where she leads Urban Housing Lab@Sydney and directs the University's AHURI (Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute) research centre. Nicole's research focuses on intersections between urban planning and the housing system and she has led and collaborated on a series of studies on aspects of urban policy, housing, sustainability and planning, funded by AHURI, the Australian Research Council (ARC), as well as state and local government. Recent studies have included AHURI Inquiries on affordable housing supply (2016-17); housing markets, economic productivity, and risk (2014) and planning system performance (2012), as well as an ARC Discovery Project on the impact of urban regulation on housing affordability in Australian cities and regions (2011-2014). She has authored and co-authored numerous publications and books including *Politics, Planning and Housing Supply in Australia, England and Hong Kong*, with Nick Gallent and Rebecca Chiu (Routledge, July 2016), *Australian Urban Land Use Planning: Principles, Policy, and Practice* (2011), and *Urban Planning and the housing market* (2017, Palgrave,

with Glen Bramley).

Professor Hal Pawson



Hal Pawson joined UNSW in 2011 as a Professor of Housing Research and Policy and as Associate Director of the City Futures Research Centre. His key interests include the governance and management of social housing, private rental markets and urban renewal. Both in his current role and previously at Edinburgh's Heriot-Watt University (1995-2011), Hal has extensive experience in leading policy-related housing research commissioned by national governments and funding agencies. His prolific record of academic publication includes numerous journal papers and three co-authored books – most recently *After Council Housing: Britain's New Social Landlords* (2010). He is a member of the Australasian Housing Institute, a Fellow of Chartered Institute of Housing, and Managing Editor (Australasia) for the highly-rated international journal *Housing Studies*.

Lunchtime Seminar: Lessons learned in introducing competition into markets for social services

Abstract:

Introducing competition in previously regulated markets is not new in Australia. But recently this trend has expanded and policy-makers are now looking to use market reform in sectors where governments traditionally subsidise or deliver social services. There are many examples of the benefits of market reforms, but social service markets are complex. If the potential pitfalls are not recognised, the consequences can be large, high-profile failures.

Deborah Cope's presentation discusses approaches and pitfalls to successful market reform in complex markets for social services. It uses the Victorian VET and VET FEE-HELP as a case study to examine problems that are commonly overlooked with market reforms are first introduced, and to demonstrate how important it is to take into account the complexity of the market when designing reforms.

About the Speaker:

Deborah Cope is a Tribunal Member with the NSW Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal, and has been the principal of a consulting business, PIRAC Economics, since 2000. She has 30 years' experience in policy analysis and development, across economic, social and environmental fields. PIRAC Economics has provided economic analysis and policy advice to clients in Australia and overseas, in areas that include regulatory reform, competition policy, consumer policy, infrastructure regulation, and competitive neutrality. Recently, PIRAC Economics provided advice on changes to vocational education and training reforms in Victoria. Deborah is also on the Victorian Essential Service Commission Appeal Panel Register. She was a Commissioner for the Victorian Competition and Efficiency Commission from 2008 to 2015, and was Deputy Executive Director for the National Competition Council, and Deputy Chief Executive Officer for the Office of Northern Development in Darwin. Deborah was a Board member for the Centre of Social Research (Darwin) and the Co-operative Research Centre (CRC) for Tropical Savannas. She also chaired the industry consultative committee for the CRC.

Emerging Economists Series 2017-2018

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Emerging Economist Series

2017/18

The Economic Society of Australia (NSW Branch) proudly sponsors the Emerging Economist Series. The series of six luncheons, held at the Reserve Bank of Australia in Sydney, gives young economists the opportunity to discuss critical issues with prominent Australian policymakers, as well as network with colleagues in business, academia and the public service. The luncheons include an interview-style discussion with the key-note speaker, exploring the issues they have faced during their careers and highlighting Australia's key economic challenges going forward.

The Series has been inspiring, educating and entertaining emerging economists for nine years. Join us for this, our special Ten Year Anniversary Series. We are delighted to announce our speaker line-up for 2017/18.



The Hon. Paul Keating
Prime Minister of Australia
1991 - 1996



Prof. Deborah Cobb-Clark
Professor of Economics
University of Sydney



Ross Gittins AM
Economics Editor
The Sydney Morning Herald



Helen Silver AO
Chief General Manager
Allianz Australia,



Tom Parry AM
Chairman & Adjunct
Professor, John Grill Centre
for Project Leadership,
Sydney University



Dr Matthew Butlin
Victorian Red Tape Commissioner
National President, ESA

Dates, final details and registration for the program will be available on our website soon.



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ACE 2017 - Economics for Better Lives

ACE 2017 opened with the keynote from Carol Graham (Brookings Institute, Washington DC) on well-being measures, which she helpfully applied to current developments in the US. It stimulated vigorous discussion and her framing of the issues was referenced by many of the subsequent presenters. Our other keynote Kip Viscusi (Vanderbilt University) on pricing lives raised some fundamental questions about the economic approach, which have surprising and important practical implications. Like Carol's keynote it generated a vigorous discussion.

We had an array of special sessions including competition policy, the economics of mental health, economic growth prospects, inequality, behavioural economics and policy, the history of Australian economics, the outlook for financial markets (a joint session with Australian business economists), the economics of care, higher education policy and professional ethics for economists. The Women in Economics Network organised a stimulating session and met during the conference. We also had many high-quality contributed papers.

View the ACE2017 Program



conferences. We also had many high quality contributed paper sessions. As usual, there will be a special Issue of Economic Record containing the keynotes and a selection of the contributed papers.

The Conference was covered in the press, Professor Allan Fels' address on the contribution economics could make to mental health reform, and the session on higher education policy receiving particularly prominent coverage.

Click [here](#) to see some of the media coverage.

The Conference Dinner as always was a highlight. Awards were presented to Professor Alison Booth (Distinguished Fellow), Professor Warwick McKibbin, (Distinguished Public Policy Fellow) and Danielle Wood (Honorary Fellow). Our National President Matthew Butlin spoke about some of the challenges facing the Society following the session he chaired on the future of the economics profession in Australia.

Thanks to all those who made this year's Conference a success.

Next year's Conference will be in Canberra (10-13 July 2018) and for those who missed out on Sydney in 2017, I encourage you to consider contributing a paper or attending in 2018.

Paul Oslington
Professor of Economics and Dean of Business, Alphacrucis College
Chair of the ACE2017 Organising Committee



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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

ANNE KRUEGER

Professor of International Economics,
Johns Hopkins School of Advanced
International Studies in Washington DC, USA

JOHN ASKER

Professor of Economics, UCLA,
Los Angeles, USA

MARILYN WARING

Professor of Public Policy,
Institute of Public Policy, AUT,
Auckland, New Zealand

KATHRYN GRADDY

Senior Associate Dean, Brandeis International
Business School & the Fred and Rita Richman
Distinguished Professor of Economics,
Brandeis University, Massachusetts, USA

Annual General Meeting

AGM and newly elected NSW Council Members

At the Annual General Meeting which was held on 1st August, a number of new Councillors were voted in. The office-bearers were elected as follows:

- President: Penny Smith, RBA
- Secretary: Michael Read, RBA
- Treasurer: David Fair, Ironstone Capital
- Vice President Business: Leila Fourie, Australian Payments Network
- Vice President Academic: Paul Oslington, Alphacrucis College

You can read more about the newly elected Council by following the link below.

[Meet your new Council](#)

Thank you to our 2016/17 Council

With thanks to our out-going councillors for their support and commitment to the Society. Special mention should be made for **Sharon Lai** who is stepping down from Council after a year as Secretary, and to **Richard Tooth** who has served tirelessly as President for five years. We are delighted that Richard will remain on the NSW Council.

Many thanks also to the other outgoing council members, including:

- Sherman Chan, NSW Treasury
- Justin Douglas, NSW Department of Planning
- James Foster, RBA
- Kerrod Gream, UNSW
- Sharon Lai (Secretary), RBA
- Kevin Lane, RBA
- Coralie Merick, NSW Treasury
- Atsushi Yamamoto, NSW Treasury

Click [here](#) to meet your NSW Councillors and Office Bearers.

At the AGM on Tuesday 1 August 2017, a special resolution was passed to make changes to the Constitution of the Economic Society of Australia (New South Wales Branch). Click [here](#) for a document which outlines the key changes to the Constitution.

Latest News

Awards 2017

The Economic Society of Australia offers annual awards to honour distinguished Australian Economists for their contribution to the development of economics. At the ACE

2017 Gala Dinner the following Awards were made:

Distinguished Fellow Award - Professor Alison Booth - click [here](#) to read Professor Booth's citation.

Distinguished Public Policy Fellow Award - Professor Warwick McKibbin AO - click [here](#) to read Professor McKibbin's citation.

Honorary Fellow Award - Danielle Wood - click [here](#) to read Danielle Wood's citation.

Congratulations to all these worthy recipients.



Pictured above are the award recipients (L-R Professor Alison Booth, Professor Warwick McKibbin and Danielle Wood) receiving their awards from ESA President, Matthew Butlin.

Click [here](#) for more information on the Society's Awards.

Gender Diversity in the Workplace - role of government?

NEP Poll 19 (June) - Gender Diversity in the Workplace - role of government?

Our latest NEP poll is our first on gender diversity. It was developed in collaboration with the ESA Women in Economics Network. The NEP were asked for their opinions on this proposition:

"The recent Parliamentary Inquiry into "[Gender segregation in the workplace and its impact on women's economic equality](#)" was asked to examine measures to encourage women's participation in male-dominated occupations and industries. Although there is growing awareness of the productivity gains of gender diversity, the private market alone is unlikely to steer the Australian labour market toward gender equality in male-dominated industries. Breaking down gender segregation in the labour market can only be achieved with some degree of government intervention."



[Overview of poll results by Professor Alison Preston](#)

[Overview of poll results by Assoc Professor Andreas Leibbrandt](#)

[See Results and NEP Comments](#)

Collaborator credits: we would like to thank the state and national committees of the ESA Women in Economics Network (WEN) for their assistance in selecting and framing this poll question. We would also like to thank Alison Preston and Andreas Leibbrandt for their expert overviews of the results.

WEN Networking Night

Around 50 female economists brought plenty of energy and enthusiasm to the inaugural NSW WEN Networking Night held on 2 August. Attendees found the career coaching session useful for reflecting on their past and current roles, and had a great time catching up with old colleagues and making new connections. Attendees suggested future event ideas including a discussion panel on work life balance, and seminars on topical economic issues.



Partner Events

Dealing with China's High Savings Problem

The Department of Economics at Macquarie University invites you to join **Professor Yang Yao** from Peking University for his public lecture on the high savings problem in China, its impacts on the Chinese society and economy and the potential benefits for Australia.

Household income and consumption in China have grown rapidly in recent years. Meanwhile, China has accumulated a large amount of savings due to its export-led growth model and rising demographic dividends. What does this mean for the Chinese and Australian economies?

High savings may have helped China's economic growth, but at the same time have created excessive liquidity, which can be one of the key factors that contributes to high housing prices, volatility in the stock market and risk-taking behaviour of the corporate sector.

Professor Yao will discuss the pros and cons of the high saving rate for the Chinese economy, possible remedies to the high savings problem and the role of government in dealing with this problem. Professor Yao will also discuss how Australia can benefit from the high saving rates in China.

Click [here](#) to register for this event.

About the Speaker:

Yang Yao is a Cheung-Kong Scholar Chair Professor at the National School of Development (NSD), Peking University, Beijing, China. He is currently the Dean of NSD and the Director of the China Center for Economic Research (CCER), a leading think tank housed in the NSD. He currently holds the Asia Scholar Fellowship at the University of Melbourne.

Professor Yao has published widely in leading economic journals such as Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Labour Economics, Journal of Economic Growth, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics and Journal of International Money and Finance.

He is a member of the China Finance 40 Forum. His research interests include economic transition and development in China. He has authored many books on various aspects of the Chinese economy and he is also a prolific writer for magazines and newspapers, including the Financial Times and the Project Syndicate.

Professor Yao was awarded the 2008 and 2014 Sun Yefang Award in Economic Science—the highest award in economic science in China, the 2008 and 2010 Pu Shan Award in International Economics and the 2008 Zhang Peigang Award in Development Economics.

14th International Conference - WEAI

14th Annual International Conference of the Western Economic Association International (WEAI) which will be hosted by Newcastle Business School, University of Newcastle. Present a paper, organize a session, discuss a paper, chair a session – submission deadline is August 15, 2017. All fields in economics are welcome. Allied societies are also welcome to join in on this exciting opportunity for increased visibility within the discipline.

Keynote Addresses include:

- Daniel McFadden, University of California, Berkeley, recipient of the 2000 Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel, and WEAI 2017-18 President-Elect
- Orley Ashenfelter, Princeton University, and WEAI 2017-18 President
- David Card, University of California, Berkeley, recipient of the 1995 John Bates Clark Medal, and WEAI Past President

Further information is available at www.weai.org.

Call for Papers: AARES Annual Conference 2018

February 6-9, 2018

Abundance in an Era of Scarcity? Challenges and Opportunities for Australasian Agriculture, Environment, Food, Resource and Agribusiness Sectors - The call for papers/poster submission is now open until 23 October 2017.



Visit the [conference website](#) for more information on how to submit a paper/poster proposal.

Call for Papers: 59th Annual Conference Indian Society of Labour Economics

December 16-18 2017

The topics for discussion at this year's Conference are: Informality, Labour Market and Employment; Macro-Economic Policies and Employment; Technological Change and Employment. About 500 delegates, including a number of distinguished scholars, policy-makers, trade unionists and other professionals from India and abroad will participate in the Conference.



The deliberations and proceedings of the Conference are circulated widely in India and abroad. Please visit the [conference website](#) for more information. Last date for submission of papers is 15 September 2017.

Careers

Keep an eye on our jobs page as opportunities sometimes come up after the newsletter has been distributed.

Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Business Analytics

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The University of Sydney Business School

Reference no. 1267/0617

- Join an internationally accredited and respected business school
- Work in a collaborative and supportive team environment
- Two full-time (though part-time will also be considered), 2 year fixed positions (with possible renewal for a further fixed term) and attractive remuneration package including a possible market loading

About the opportunity

The **Business Analytics Discipline** is a group of specialists in business statistics, advanced analytics, econometrics and management science. We are engaged in all aspects of analysing data, making forecasts and building models to assist in management decisions. The discipline has research strengths in the areas of financial time series and quantitative risk management; business and economic forecasting; econometrics and Bayesian statistics; computationally intensive estimation; supply chain management and scheduling theory. The group is continuing to build up expertise in machine learning and is open to appointing teachers and researchers in other emerging fields in business analytics such as text analytics.

We are currently seeking to appoint additional Lecturer (Level B) and Senior Lecturer (Level C) staff in Business Analytics with expertise in one or more of the major areas of business analytics, including statistics and data analysis, statistical learning, risk analytics, time series analysis, machine learning and operations management, operations research and management science.

In this position you will

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- make a contribution to the research strengths of the school, including the pursuit of research grants and regular publication in journals of high standing and presentation and dissemination of research at academic conferences
- supervise research higher degree students
- be involved in interdisciplinary collaborations within the University and with external stakeholders
- contribute to academic ad

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We are looking for colleagues with:

- significant progress towards, or the completion of, a PhD with specialisation in Statistics, Business Analytics, Machine Learning, Operations Management, Operations Research and Management Science or a related discipline
- evidence of high quality teaching in Statistics/Machine Learning and/or Business Analytics units, at undergraduate or postgraduate level
- capacity to contribute to course and program development
- an active research program with significant potential for future publication
- evidence of successful teamwork and a collegial approach

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better. These same values are reflected in our approach to diversity and inclusion, and underpin our long-term strategy for growth. We're Australia's first university and have an outstanding global reputation for academic and research excellence. Across our campuses, we employ over 6000 academic and non-academic staff who support over 60,000 students.

We are undergoing significant transformative change which brings opportunity for innovation, progressive thinking, breaking with convention, challenging the status quo, and improving the world around us.

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For more information on the position and University, please view the candidate information pack available from the job's listing on the University of Sydney careers website.

All applications must be submitted via the University of Sydney careers website. Visit sydney.edu.au/recruitment and search by the reference number to apply.

Closing date: 11:30pm, 24 August, 2017 (Sydney time)

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The Productivity Commission is seeking skilled research economists at a number of levels in Canberra and Melbourne.

The Productivity Commission is the Australian Government's independent research and advisory body on a range of economic, social and environmental issues affecting the welfare of Australians. Its role, expressed simply, is to help governments make better policies in the long-term interest of the Australian community.

We are seeking skilled research economists at a number of levels in our Canberra and Melbourne offices. These positions offer the opportunity to work in a stimulating policy research environment undertaking economic analysis and providing policy advice. The work is wide-ranging, including analysis of regulation, trade, productivity, economic infrastructure, resources, social issues and the environment.

A merit pool of suitable candidates at each level will be established, and may be used to fill similar vacancies in either Melbourne or Canberra, either on an ongoing or non-ongoing basis.

For further details and to apply, please visit Commission's website at www.pc.gov.au/careers.

Applications close on 20 August 2017 and should be submitted via the Commission's website.

Smart Sodium Storage Solution Project PhD Scholarship

The Faculty of Business at the University of Wollongong (UOW) is seeking a high-calibre candidate to undertake a PhD in modelling the economic impact of sodium-ion batteries for renewable energy storage. This research is part of a 4 year, \$10.5m project to develop and demonstrate sodium-ion batteries in residential and utility settings.

The Faculty of Business at UOW is an internationally recognised faculty that provides flexible and innovative educational and research opportunities with strong ties to the business community. We develop professionals, managers and business leaders with critical thinking skills so that they can succeed (and maximise their potential) in their chosen fields. The candidate will be based in the School of Accounting, Economics and Finance with supervisors drawn from the Faculty's Centre for Contemporary Australasian Business and Economics Studies.

The PhD candidate will also work closely with world-renowned researchers at the Institute for Superconducting and Electronic Materials (ISEM), the Sustainable Buildings Research Centre (SBRC), the Australian Power Quality and Reliability Centre (APQRC) and also with industry partners involved in the S4 Project. The candidate will play a key role in developing an understanding of the costs of bringing sodium-ion battery technology to the market, the economic impact this technology will have on the energy storage marketplace in Australia and worldwide, and will get to see their work influence the development of real-world energy storage systems.

Successful applicants will have a bachelor degree in economics or commerce/business with a major in economics. Demonstrated quantitative and modelling skills and knowledge of energy economics would be extremely beneficial, and will be highly valued during the selection process. The successful candidate will be expected to be able to clearly and concisely report on their research and findings to a number of different audiences, and, therefore, excellent communication skills are essential.

To Apply

Applicants must address the selection criteria provide a CV, include a brief cover letter outlining their research interests and provide the names of at least two referees.

Further Information

For further information on the economic, commercial and modelling dimensions relating to the project and PhD position, please contact [Assoc. Prof. Charles Harvie](#), or for technical information about the project, scholarship and application process contact [Jonathan Knott](#).

Click [here](#) for further information including selection criteria.

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