



## Day One – Thursday 11 October, Grand Hyatt Melbourne

8.00am – 9.00am	<b>REGISTRATION</b>
9.00am – 9.10am	<b>Welcome to Country</b>
9.10am – 9.30am	<b>Welcome to the Outlook Conference</b>
<p><b>Professor A. Abigail Payne</b>   Director and Ronald Henderson Professor, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic &amp; Social Research</p> <p><b>Professor Duncan Maskell</b>   Vice-Chancellor, The University of Melbourne</p> <p><b>Dr Paul Kelly</b>   Editor-at-Large, <i>The Australian</i></p>	
9.30am – 11.00am	<b>Plenary 1: Delivering Growth with Equity</b>
<p><i>The Reserve Bank of Australia has raised concerns about the risks associated with Australia's high levels of debt and very high asset prices. How can Australia manage monetary and fiscal policy to deliver growth?</i></p> <p><b>Professor Efre Castelnuovo</b>   Professor of Economics, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic &amp; Social Research (Moderator)</p> <p><b>Dr Luci Ellis</b>   Assistant Governor (Economic), Reserve Bank of Australia</p> <p><b>Professor Ian Harper</b>   Dean and Director of the Melbourne Business School; Co-Dean of the Faculty of Business and Economics, The University of Melbourne; Board Member, Reserve Bank of Australia</p> <p><b>Ms Karen Chester</b>   Deputy Chair, Productivity Commission</p> <p><b>The Hon. Chris Bowen MP</b>   Shadow Treasurer of Australia, Australian Labor Party</p>	
11.00am – 11.30am	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
11.30am – 12.30pm	<b>Plenary 2: Politicians Delivering Change</b>
<p><i>With a federal election coming up, we need to consider the state of the political system and what the future might look like after the 2018/2019 election. Is the political system delivering change?</i></p> <p><b>Ms Caroline Overington</b>   Associate Editor, <i>The Australian</i></p> <p><b>The Hon. Peter Costello AC</b>   Chairman, ECG Financial</p> <p><b>Ms Jennifer Westacott AO</b>   Chief Executive, Business Council of Australia</p> <p><b>Professor Ross Garnaut AC</b>   Vice Chancellors Fellow and Professorial Fellow, Faculty of Business and Economics; Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic &amp; Social Research, The University of Melbourne</p> <p><b>Dr Paul Kelly</b>   Editor-at-Large, <i>The Australian</i></p>	
12.30pm – 2.00pm	<b>Lunchtime Address</b>
<p><b>Professor Duncan Maskell</b>   Vice-Chancellor, The University of Melbourne</p> <p><b>Mr Paul Whittaker</b>   Editor-in-Chief, <i>The Australian</i> (Introduction)</p> <p><b>Dr Paul Kelly</b>   Editor-at-Large, <i>The Australian</i> (Moderator)</p> <p><b>The Hon. Scott Morrison MP</b>   Prime Minister of Australia, Liberal Party of Australia</p>	
2.00pm – 3.15pm	<b>Session 3a: The Energy Trinity: greater reliability, lower emissions and lower prices</b>
<p><i>Where to next for a national energy policy that responds to domestic concerns and international commitments?</i></p> <p><b>Ms Ticky Fullerton</b>   Journalist, Sky News (Moderator)</p> <p><b>The Hon. Angus Taylor MP</b>   Minister for Energy, Liberal Party of Australia</p> <p><b>Dr Leslie Martin</b>   Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, The University of Melbourne</p> <p><b>Dr Ed McManus</b>   CEO, Powershop and Meridian Energy Australia</p> <p><b>Dr Kerry Schott AO</b>   Chair, Energy Security Board</p>	



2.00pm – 3.15pm	<b>Session 3b: Is there more to business than business?</b>
<i>Should business be more forcefully engaged in policy debates and how should it respond to social change?</i>	
<p><b>Mr Damon Kitney</b>   Victorian Business Editor, <i>The Australian</i> (Moderator)</p> <p><b>Mr Andrew Bassat</b>   Chief Executive Officer, SEEK Ltd</p> <p><b>Ms Jayne Hrdlicka</b>   Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, a2Milk</p> <p><b>Ms Diane Smith-Gander</b>   Non-Executive Director AGL Energy; Wesfarmers Limited</p>	
2.00pm – 3.15pm	<b>Session 3c: The Innovative Potential of Data</b>
<i>In many of our conversations and in reporting we can be overly focused on matters pertaining to data access and privacy. Less discussed is the power of data to inform and innovate. How can we best use data and analytics to promote innovation in policy and practice, and what are the important questions we should be trying to answer with data?</i>	
<p><b>Professor A. Abigail Payne</b>   Director and Ronald Henderson Professor, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic &amp; Social Research (Moderator)</p> <p><b>Ms Melinda Cilento</b>   Chief Executive Officer, Committee for Economic Development of Australia (CEDA)</p> <p><b>Professor Shitij Kapur</b>   Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences and Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Health), The University of Melbourne</p>	
3.15pm – 3.30pm	AFTERNOON TEA
3.30pm – 5.00pm	<b>Plenary 4: Equity and Fairness</b>
<i>Australia has been experiencing strong economic growth for decades. Does growth equate to equal opportunity? Are our policies and practice fostering equity? How do we ensure we are delivering effective programs and promoting the well-being of all Australians across the income distribution?</i>	
<p><b>Professor David Ribar</b>   Professorial Research Fellow, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic &amp; Social Research (Moderator)</p> <p><b>The Hon. Kelly O'Dwyer MP</b>   Minister for Jobs and Industrial Relations, Liberal Party of Australia</p> <p><b>The Hon. Dr Andrew Leigh MP</b>   Shadow Assistant Treasurer, Shadow Minister for Trade, Shadow Minister for Competition and Productivity, Shadow Minister for Charities and Not-for-Profits, Australian Labor Party</p>	

## Outlook Conference Dinner, National Gallery of Victoria

6.00pm – 7.00pm	<b>Cocktail Event: Has Social Media really destroyed privacy?</b>
<p><b>Mr Jackson Hewett</b>   Associate Editor (Commercial), <i>The Australian</i> (Moderator)</p> <p><b>Dr Vanessa Teague</b>   Senior Lecturer, The University of Melbourne</p> <p><b>Mr Fergus Hanson</b>   Head of International Cyber Policy Centre, Australian Strategic Policy Institute</p> <p><b>Ms Claire Lehmann</b>   Founding Editor, <i>Quillette</i></p>	
7.00pm – 11.30pm	Dinner Address
<p><b>Professor A. Abigail Payne</b>   Director and Ronald Henderson Professor, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic &amp; Social Research (Introduction)</p> <p><b>Professor Paul Kofman</b>   Dean, Faculty of Business and Economics, The University of Melbourne (Welcome)</p> <p><b>Dr Paul Kelly</b>   Editor-at-Large, <i>The Australian</i> (Moderator)</p> <p><b>The Hon. Bill Shorten MP</b>   Leader of the Opposition, Australian Labor Party</p>	



## Day 2 – Friday 12 October, Grand Hyatt Melbourne

8.30am – 9.15am	<b>Outlook Breakfast Roundtables</b>
<i>An opportunity for in-depth discussion of key policy issues affecting Australia, guided by subject-matter experts.</i>	
9.30am – 11.00am	<b>Plenary 5: How to Fix Wages</b>
<i>Australia has been one of the few countries not to experience a recession in recent memory, but surveys show that Australians are pessimistic about their future. Should the government guarantee a basic living wage? Are business tax cuts enough to lift pay packets?</i>	
<b>Professor Mark Wooden</b>   Professorial Research Fellow, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research (Moderator)	
<b>Professor Robert Gregory</b>   Emeritus Professor, Research School of Economics, ANU	
<b>Mr Tim Lyons</b>   Research Fellow, Per Capita, Former Assistant Secretary, ACTU	
<b>Professor Judith Sloan</b>   Economics Editor, <i>The Australian</i> ; Professorial Fellow, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research	
11.00am – 11.30am	<b>MORNING TEA</b>
11.30am – 12.30PM	<b>Session 6a: Skill Development and Education: Delivering for Growth</b>
<i>Is the education system delivering the people with the skills Australia needs to drive growth? Is the access to education equitably distributed across Australia's income distribution?</i>	
<b>Professor Marco Castillo</b>   Professorial Fellow, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research (Moderator)	
<b>Mr Mark Scott AO</b>   Secretary, NSW Department of Education, Former Managing Director, ABC	
<b>Ms Jennifer Westacott AO</b>   Chief Executive, Business Council of Australia	
11.30am – 12.30PM	<b>Session 6b: Relieving Cities' Growing Pains</b>
<i>Australia's major cities expanding rapidly as a result of population growth. Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane accounted for more than 70 per cent of Australia's population growth in the 2016-17 financial year. Is this growth sustainable and how can policy makers do more to harness the benefits of this growth?</i>	
<b>Professor Carolyn Whitzman</b>   Professor in Urban Planning, Faculty of Architecture, Building and Planning, The University of Melbourne (Moderator)	
<b>The Hon. Alan Tudge MP</b>   Minister for Cities, Urban Infrastructure and Population, Liberal Party of Australia	
<b>The Hon. Anthony Albanese MP</b>   Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development, Shadow Minister for Tourism, Australian Labor Party	
<b>Lord Mayor Sally Capp</b>   Lord Mayor of Melbourne	
11.30am – 12.30PM	<b>Session 6c: The Political Economy of Tax</b>
<i>Given the nature of politics and the challenges of implementing legislation, what tax reforms would be most beneficial? What tax reform measures are politically achievable?</i>	
<b>Professor Judith Sloan</b>   Economics Editor, <i>The Australian</i> ; Professorial Fellow, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research (Moderator)	
<b>Professor Miranda Stewart</b>   Melbourne Law School, The University of Melbourne	
<b>Professor John Freebairn AO</b>   Richie Chair in Economics, The University of Melbourne	
<b>Mr Chris Richardson</b>   Partner, Deloitte Access Economics	
<b>Professor Robert Breunig</b>   Director, Tax and Transfer Policy Institute, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU	



12.30pm - 2.00pm

#### Lunchtime Session: Economic outlook: the view from business

*Australia is enjoying a record run of economic growth with widely shared prosperity. Can business plan on that continuing?*

**Mr John Durie** | Senior Columnist, *The Australian* (Moderator)

**Ms Jeanne Johns** | Chief Executive Officer, Incitec Pivot

**Mr John Gillam** | Chairman, CSR

**Ms Catherine Tanna** | Managing Director, EnergyAustralia; Board Member, Reserve Bank of Australia; Board Member, Business Council of Australia

2.00pm - 3.15pm

#### Session 7a: The Link Between Health and Economic Growth

*Most people think of health and wellbeing as something of concern primarily to individuals. To what extent might it be a cause and consequence of economic growth?*

**Professor Allan Fels AO** | Professorial Fellow, Melbourne Law School; Faculty of Business and Economics, The University of Melbourne (Moderator)

**Professor Anthony Scott** | Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research

**Dr Ralph Lattimore** | Executive Manager, Productivity Commission

**Ms Lucinda Brogden** | Chair, National Mental Health Commission

2.00pm - 3.15pm

#### Session 7b: China-Australia: Bumps in the Road

*The China-Australia relationship is important from a strategic and economic perspective. Like any relationship, from time-to-time there are bumps in the road from an economic and/or political perspective. How should Australia handle its economic and strategic relationships with China?*

**Professor Ross Garnaut AC** | Vice Chancellors Fellow and Professorial Fellow, Faculty of Business and Economics, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research, The University of Melbourne (Moderator)

**Senator The Hon. Penny Wong** | Leader of the Opposition in the Senate, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs, Australian Labor Party

**Mr Andrew Michelmore** | Former Chief Executive Officer, MMG Ltd

**Mr Richard McGregor** | Senior Fellow, Lowy Institute

2.00pm - 3.15pm

#### Session 7c: Equality: Perceptions versus Reality

*Are we becoming more unequal as a society? At last year's Outlook Conference there was a difference in opinion on whether the data suggest there are issues of economic inequality in Australia. This session will delve further into this issue and address what we know about economic inequality and how governments might want to tackle issues to reduce such inequality.*

**Professor Gary Banks AO** | Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research (Moderator)

**Mr Jonathan Coppel** | Commissioner, Productivity Commission

**Professor Shelley Mallett** | Professorial Fellow in Social Policy, School of Social and Political Sciences, The University of Melbourne

**Professor Roger Wilkins** | Deputy Director, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research

3.15pm - 3.30pm

AFTERNOON TEA



3.30pm – 4.30pm

**Plenary 8: Wrap-up Session**  
**Growth and Equity: Raising Political Ambition – What Have We Learned?**

*Reflections on lessons learned throughout the 2018 Outlook Conference and the challenges that governments and industry will face in the near future.*

**Mr David Uren** | Associate Editor (Economics), *The Australian* (Moderator)

**Professor A. Abigail Payne** | Director and Ronald Henderson Professor, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research

**Dr Paul Kelly, Editor-at-Large** | *The Australian*

**Ms Kathryn Fagg** | President, Chief Executive Women; Board Member, Reserve Bank of Australia

**Mr Terry Moran AC** | Governor, Committee for Economic Development of Australia

**Mr Michael Brennan** | Chair, Productivity Commission

5.00pm – 7.00pm

**Cocktail Party: Co-hosted by the Women in Economics Network & Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research**