

Australian Riches: A Case Study in Economic Success

Conference program

Friday July 31 - Day 1: Institutions

9.30-11 Introductory session: Overview presentations on main determinants of Australia's economic success:

An Australian perspective – Geoff Blainey

An international perspective – Doug Irwin (Dartmouth)

11-11.30 Morning tea

11.30-12.30 Overview on the role of institutions + the ballot in Australia:

Jim Robinson (Harvard)

12.30-1.30 Lunch

1.30-3.30/4-5 Presentations on institutions:

Ian McLean (Adelaide) – Responding to shocks: Australia's institutions and policies

John Hirst (Latrobe) – Democracy and development

Edwynna Harris (Monash) - Water rights in eastern Australia

Jeff Borland (Melbourne) - Land policies

3.30-4 Afternoon tea

5-5.30 Summary/Discussion:

Boris Schedvin/Bob Gregory/Geoff Blainey/Doug Irwin

Saturday August 2 - Day 2

Presentations on Australian Economic History –

9-10 Tim Hatton (ANU) – ‘Australian unemployment in the long run, 1902 to 2006’.

10-11 Janet McCalman (Melbourne) - ‘Making the Gap: Aboriginal Australians and Poor Whites Compared, Victoria, 1850-95’

11-11.30 Morning tea

11.30-12.30 Andrew Clarke/Russell Hillberry (Melbourne) – ‘Immigration and trade in recent Australian history’

12.30-1.30 Lunch

Historical perspectives on the current economic crisis – Panel session -

1.30-3.30 Max Corden (Melbourne), Bob Gregory (ANU), David Merrett (Melbourne),

Boris Schedvin (Melbourne)

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Friday July 31 and Saturday August 1

Venue: Woodward Conference Centre, 10th floor, Law Building, University of Melbourne (adjacent to University Square on Pelham Street)

Registration form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email address: _____

I would like to attend the conference on:

Friday July 31 – Morning session Yes/No

Friday July 31 – Lunch Yes/No

Friday July 31 – Afternoon session Yes/No

Saturday August 1 – Morning session Yes/No

Saturday August 1 – Lunch Yes/No

Saturday August 1 – Afternoon session Yes/No

* There is no registration fee for attendance. Some limited funding assistance for travel is available – Would you like to receive information about funding assistance? Yes/No

**If you are attending lunches, and have special meal requirements, please notify Persefoni Gouletsas (details below).

To register:

Please fax, email or mail your registration information to Persefoni Gouletsas no later than July 22 2009. Persefoni Gouletsas, Department of Economics, University of

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