



AUSTRALIA-CANADA ECONOMIC LEADERSHIP FORUM

Program Updates

Opening Dinner Keynote Address: Wednesday 12 February (7:00 p.m.)



Tim Pallas MP, Treasurer, Government of Victoria

Tim was elected to the Victorian Parliament in 2006 and is the state member for Werribee. Following the election of the Andrews Labor Government in November 2014, he was sworn in as Victoria's 50th Treasurer – a position he holds to this day. He is also currently the Minister for Economic Development and Minister for Industrial Relations. Tim previously served in the Bracks and Brumby Governments as Minister for Roads and Ports, and later added Major Projects to his responsibilities. He was also previously Minister for Resources in the last term of the Andrews Labor Government, overseeing a period of significant growth. In May, Tim will deliver his 6th State Budget. The 2019/20 Budget delivered a suburban transport blitz, universal three-year-old kinder, and the solar homes initiative, while maintaining a strong and steady economic approach.

Scene-Setting Presentation: Thursday 13 February (7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.)



Heather Cook, Deputy Director-General Intelligence Service Delivery, Australian Security Intelligence Organisation

Ms Cook, a career intelligence professional, joined ASIO in 1997 and has worked across a range of operational, analytical, and strategy areas. Ms Cook also has extensive experience in the security management of major events, including the 2000 Olympic Games, APEC 2009 in Sydney, and G20 2014 in Brisbane. In 2001, Ms Cook was seconded to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet for two years as a senior policy adviser in the Defence, Intelligence and Security Branch of International Division. Ms Cook was promoted to the Senior Executive Service in September 2004.



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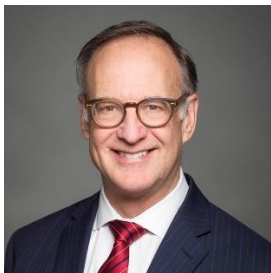
Entrepreneurship Panel: Thursday 13 February (1:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.)



Martina Crowley, Lead Partner, Private Clients Melbourne, PwC Australia

Martina is the Lead Partner of PwC Private Clients in Melbourne and a member of the National Leadership Group of PwC Private Clients. Martina has been practicing for over 25 years advising entrepreneurs on a broad range of tax, accounting and advisory matters on both a domestic and international level. PwC Private Clients is dedicated to helping private businesses become both a personal and commercial success. We take the time to understand the unique circumstances of our clients and then help them establish priorities, develop long term strategies and provide support and guidance throughout the business life cycle.

Keynote Speaker: Friday 14 February 2020 (8:30 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.)



Robert Oliphant M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Canada

Rob Oliphant was elected as the Member of Parliament for Don Valley West in 2015. He previously served as Member of Parliament for the riding from 2008 to 2011. From 2011 to 2015, Mr. Oliphant served as President and CEO of the Asthma Society of Canada. An ordained minister in the United Church of Canada, Mr. Oliphant has also served congregations in Newfoundland and Labrador, Quebec, Ontario, and Yukon, and was the Senior Minister at Eglinton St. George's United Church in North Toronto. He earned a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Toronto, a Master of Divinity from the Vancouver School of Theology, and a Doctorate from the Chicago Theological Seminary located at the University of Chicago. He and his family are long-time residents of Sherwood Park.