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Australia – UK – US Strategic Dialogue

Monday 20 & Tuesday 21 March 2023

Venue: CNAS Offices, 1152 15th St NW Suite 950, Washington, DC 20005 & Online
Washington DC 2pm | London 6pm | Canberra 5am

Participant List

Australian Participant List

Vice Admiral (Ret'd) Tim Barrett, AO, CSC, RAN, (virtual)
Chief of Navy Australia (2014-2018)

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Jacqueline Borsboom,
Minister Counsellor Defence Policy,
Embassy of Australia, Washington DC

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Commodore Darren Grogan
Naval Attaché, Embassy of Australia,
Washington DC

Hugh Jeffrey (virtual)
Deputy Secretary Strategy, Policy, and
Industry, Department of Defence

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Counsellor, Congressional Liaison,
Embassy of Australia, Washington DC

Commodore David Landon, CSM, RAN
Embassy of Australia, Washington DC

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First Secretary, Congressional Liaison,
Embassy of Australia, Washington DC

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Suzanne McCourt
Minister-Counsellor, Congressional
Liaison, Embassy of Australia,
Washington DC

Belinda McNamara
Incoming Minister Counsellor Defence
Policy, Embassy of Australia, Washington
DC

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Scott Dewar (virtual)
Deputy Secretary International and
Security, Department of the Prime
Minister and Cabinet

Rear Admiral Ian Gordon Murray AM
Head of Australian Defence Staff,
Embassy of Australia, Washington DC

Paul Myler
Deputy Head of Mission for the Embassy
of Australia, Washington DC

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United Kingdom Participant List

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United States Participant List

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AUKUS Reception and Dinner

Monday 3 April 2023 | 1700h-2100h | The Cosmos Club, 2121 Massachusetts Ave NW

Pyne & Partners is co-hosting this event with Northrop Grumman Corporation.

You (HOM) have been invited to provide remarks (5 minutes) in between the main course and dessert. The US Secretary for Navy, Secretary the Hon Carlos Del Toro, and Representative Rob Wittman (R-Virginia 1st District) will both speak before you.

The Hon Christopher Pyne, Chairman of Pyne & Partners, is leading a business delegation to Washington DC and New York between 30 March to 4 April 2023, coinciding with the Sea Air Space Exposition 2023 in Washington DC. The delegation includes Senator James Paterson (Senator for Victoria), and Ms Meryl Swanson MP (Member for Paterson), and industry participants.

Pyne & Partners is not officially affiliated with the AUKUS programs.

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- Our region is being reshaped and AUKUS is one response to the challenges posed by our deteriorating strategic environment.
 - With the world's largest military modernisation program, China operates nuclear-powered submarines, including both nuclear and conventionally armed.
 - We do not oppose any nation's right to invest in and develop defence capabilities. However, a lack of transparency around military capabilities can fuel insecurity.
- Australia's investments in defence capability are prudent responses to this build-up, and will make Australia a more capable defence partner to regional countries.
- AUKUS complements our collective efforts to meet the challenges posed by our strategic circumstances and ensure the Indo-Pacific remains stable, secure and prosperous.
- The submarine pathway, paired with new partnerships in advanced defence capabilities, will strengthen the national security of Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States for decades to come.
- The addition of Australian nuclear-powered submarines will strengthen Australia's defence capabilities and our collective submarine presence in the Indo-Pacific.
 - The sale of Virginias to Australia in the early 2030s will ensure Australia has no capability gap,
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- The announcement of American and British submarines beginning rotational deployments to Australia's West Coast will also advance the collective security in the region – building on

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already ironclad force posture commitments and fostering new opportunities for training and coordination.

- Our pursuit of **Advanced Capabilities** under AUKUS aims to bolster our interoperability and joint capabilities to maintain and extend our capability edge by: aligning national priorities, amplifying our collective strength, and accelerating the development and acquisition of these capabilities for mutual strategic benefit.

Australia is not naïve to the responsibilities that lay ahead, and we are already making progress to build our capabilities to safely operate, maintain and steward this technology.

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- Australia will invest significantly to build new nuclear-powered submarine construction facilities in South Australia.
 - This will increase our allied production capability of nuclear-powered submarines, which in its own right will have a significant deterrent impact.
- Australia will build new maintenance and repair capabilities that will directly benefit US submarines rotating through HMAS Stirling.
 - This will increase our collective capacity to improve our forces in peacetime and meeting operational needs in times of crisis.
- Our intent is to enable deeper cooperation across the three nations' defence industries is unwavering.
- Australia will invest to lift the capacity of Australian industry to contribute to the AUKUS SSN supply chains, leveraging the strengths of existing Australian suppliers.
 - This will help ease pressure on the US supply chains and enhance the resilience of our AUKUS supply chains overall.
- AUKUS partners are working to leverage our innovation, and improve our technology transfer and information sharing to ensure rapid, tangible collaboration.
- This will deliver technology advantage, strengthen economic relationships and build stronger, more resilient defence supply chains.

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Background

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Pillar One

- Embedded Personnel and Port Visits. Australian military and civilian personnel will embed with the United States Navy, the United Kingdom Royal Navy and their respective submarine industrial bases. The United States plans to increase SSN port visits to Australia beginning in 2023, the United Kingdom will increase visits to Australia beginning in 2026.
- Submarine Rotational Forces. As early as 2027, the United Kingdom and the United States plan to establish a rotational presence of one UK Astute class submarine and up to four U.S. Virginia class submarines at HMAS Stirling near Perth, Western Australia (SRF-West).
- Sale of Virginia Class Submarines. Beginning in the early 2030s, pending approval from the U.S. Congress, the United States intends to sell Australia three Virginia class submarines, with the potential to sell up to two more if needed.
- SSN-AUKUS. With UK submarine design and advanced U.S. technology the AUKUS partners will deliver a submarine that meets Australia's long-term defence needs while bolstering trilateral industrial cooperation. Australia and the United Kingdom intend to start building SSN-AUKUS in their domestic shipyards before the end of this decade. The UK intends to deliver its first SSN-AUKUS to the UK Royal Navy in the late 2030s. Australia plans to deliver the first Australian-built SSN-AUKUS to the Royal Australian Navy in the early 2040s.

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- Our pursuit of **Advanced Capabilities** under AUKUS aims to bolster our interoperability and joint capabilities to maintain and extend our capability edge by: aligning national priorities, amplifying our collective strength, and accelerating the development and acquisition of these capabilities for mutual strategic benefit.
- Trilateral partners are pursuing six lines of effort – artificial intelligence and autonomy, advanced cyber, quantum technologies, undersea capabilities, hypersonics and counter-hypersonics, and electronic warfare.
- To enable this work, AUKUS partners are also working to leverage our innovation and information sharing capabilities to ensure rapid, tangible, collaboration.

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Secretary of the Navy, The Hon Carlos Del Toro

DPM Marles met Del Toro in Australia, 16 Jun and subsequently in DC on 13 Jul 2022.

Navy Service Highlight: Del Toro was the first Commanding Officer of guided missile destroyer USS Bulkeley (DDG-84)

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- SECNAV travelled to Australia on 18 Jun 2022 to visit Marines and Sailors on rotation with the Marine Rotation Force Darwin (MRF-D). Recognised the historic relationship between US-AUS 'Australia has been by our side and we will always be by their side in the fight for freedom for all those around the world.'
- SECNAV Del Toro has been a strong advocate of Australia and the role we play in a free and open Indo-Pacific.

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Industrial collaboration

- There have significant breakthroughs in collaborative efforts and we continue to work with US government agencies to overcome barriers to industrial base, supply chain and technology collaboration.

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- Seek SECNAV's Del Toro ongoing support and endorsement.

USS Canberra

- USS Canberra (Littoral Combat Ship) will commission in Sydney on 22 Jul 2023.
- Significant for Navy to Navy relationship as this is the only US Warship to carry the name of a foreign capital city.
- SECNAV fully supports this and is the lead push from US.
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Title: United States: Russia's invasion of Ukraine s 33(a)(iii), s 33(b)

MRN: s 47E(d) 28/03/2023 07:29:08 PM EDT

To: Canberra

Cc: RR : Africa Posts, Europe Posts, G20 Posts, Geneva UN, Indo-Pacific Posts, Middle East Posts, USA Posts

From: Washington

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References: s 47E(d)

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Sent by: s22(1)(a)(ii)

Prepared by: s22(1)(a)(ii)

Approved by:

Topics: INTERNATIONAL SECURITY/Strategic Policy, POLITICAL-ECONOMIC/Domestic Political, POLITICAL-ECONOMIC/International Political

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Title: AUKUS: s 33(a)(iii), s 33(b)
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From: Murray, Ian RADM 1
To: s22(1)(a)(ii)
Cc: s22(1)(a)(ii)
Subject: FW: Final Guest List - St Patricks Day Prayers - Friday, 24 March 2023 [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Thursday, 23 March 2023 8:15:40 AM
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Tomorrow please prepare an events brief for AMB Rudd for Prayers. It should include identification of key personnel who are attending (including former Ambassador Sinodinos), a serial on Jacq's farewell and presentation of her long service APS award, the summary list below attached as an annex. I will ask AMB Rudd if he would like to do the award presentation to Jacq tomorrow, as well as say a few words.

Regards,

RADM Ian Murray, AM, RAN
 Head of Australian Defence Staff - Washington
 Australian Defence Staff - Washington

Embassy of Australia | 1145 17th Street NW | WASHINGTON DC 20036-4707
Desk: s22(1)(a)(ii) | **Cell:** s22(1)(a)(ii) | **email:** s 47E(d) @defence.gov.au

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To: WAS Branch Heads - ADSW s 47E(d) WAS Deputy Branch Heads - ADSW s 47E(d)
Cc: WAS Branch Heads EAs s 47E(d) ; Washington Events s 47E(d)
Subject: Final Guest List - St Patricks Day Prayers - Friday, 24 March 2023 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Good Afternoon all,

Please see the final guest list for St Patricks day Prayers for this Friday evening

We kindly ask that you also **reply back with names of any VVIP's** so that we may mark this on their name tags ☺

| Last Name | First Name | Rank or Title | Position Title | Organization |
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| Murray | Ian | RADM | Head of Australian Defence Staff | Embassy of Australia, Department of Defence |

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| McNamara | Belinda | Ms
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| Minister Counsellor Defence Policy (incoming)

| Australian Department of Defence |

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Kind regards,
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A/Visits Events and Protocol Manager
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Event Brief – AUKUS Reception and Dinner

Co-hosted by Pyne & Partners and Northrop Grumman Corporation

Date/time: Monday 3 April 2023, 1700h-2100h, seated for dinner at 1830h
Location: The Cosmos Club, 2121 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington DC 20008
Dress code: Business attire
POC on day: s 47F(1) , Partner at Pyne & Partners, s 47F(1)

Run sheet

1700h Guest arrival at the Cosmos Club
 Pre-dinner drinks reception in the **Warne Ballroom**

1830h Guests ushered to their seats for dinner

1845h Starters served

1915h Course cleared
VADM (Ret'd) Rick Breckenridge, Vice President of Northrop Grumman to welcome guests
The Hon Christopher Pyne, Chairman of Pyne & Partners to welcome guests and facilitate **guest attendee introductions**

1935h Main course served (alternate drop)

2005h Course cleared
Mr Pyne to introduce The Hon Carlos Del Toro
Secretary Del Toro to provide remarks (5 mins)
Mr Pyne to introduce Congressman Rob Wittman
Congressman Wittman to provide remarks (5 mins)
Mr Pyne to introduce HE The Hon Dr Kevin Rudd AC
Ambassador Rudd to provide remarks (5 mins)
Mr Pyne to facilitate broader discussion with attendees during the remainder of this time and during dessert

2040h Desserts served
 Coffee / tea / post-dinner drinks offered

2100h Event concludes

List of Attendees (alphabetical by surname)

| PreNom | FirstName | Surname | Organisation, Position |
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| Host companies | | | |
| s 47F(1) | VADM (Ret'd) | Rick Breckenridge | Northrop Grumman |
| | The Hon | Christopher Pyne | Pyne & Partners |

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| The Hon | Carlos | Del Toro | US Secretary of Navy |
| Commodore | Darren | Grogan | Australian Department of Defence, RAN Naval Attache Washington DC |

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| Ms | Belinda | McNamara | Australian Embassy in Washington DC, Minister Counsellor for Defence Policy |
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| RADM | Ian | Murray | Australian Embassy in Washington DC, Defence Attache |
| Ambassador | Paul | Myler | Australian Embassy in Washington DC, Deputy Chief of Mission |
| Senator | James | Paterson | Member of the Australian Senate from the State of Victoria |

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| HE The Hon Dr | Kevin | Rudd AC | Australian Ambassador to the United States |
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| Ms | Meryl | Swanson MP | Member of the Australian House of Reps – Member for Paterson |
| Congressman | Rob | Wittman | Member of the US House of Reps from Virginia's 1st district |

Industry and Non-Profit Organisations


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On behalf of The Hon Christopher Pyne, Chairman of Pyne & Partners, and
Mr Dave Perry, Corporate Vice President and Chief Global Business Officer at Northrop Grumman,
you are invited to the second annual

AUKUS Reception and Dinner

Monday 3 April 2023
The Cosmos Club
2121 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington DC 20008

5.00pm-9.00pm
Seated for dinner at 6.30pm

Dress code: Business attire
This invitation is not transferable
RSVP essential s 47G(1)(a)



Please note that as s 47F(1) has recently retired from Northrop Grumman, so the dinner will be co-hosted by VADM (Ret'd) Rick Breckenridge.

Host biographies



The Hon Christopher Pyne
Chairman, Pyne & Partners

Christopher is Chairman of strategic advisory and public affairs consulting firm Pyne and Partners.

Christopher was elected to the Australian Parliament in 1993 and served as the Member for Sturt for 26 years. During this time, he was in the Liberal Party Leadership Group for 10 years, Leader of the House of Representatives for six years, and served in Cabinet for six years.

Christopher Pyne served as the 54th Australian Defence Minister. He was responsible for delivering a \$200 billion build-up of Australia's military capability, the largest in Australia's peacetime history.

During his time as a Cabinet Minister in the Defence portfolio, Christopher contracted the Hunter Class Anti-Submarine Warfare frigates, the Attack Class Submarine project, the Arafura Class Offshore Patrol Vessels, the Combat Reconnaissance Vehicles, the Loyal Wingman (since renamed Ghost Bat) UAVs and secured Australia as the Asia Pacific hub for the sustainment and maintenance of the F35-A Joint Strike Fighter.

Before entering Parliament, Christopher practised as a solicitor at Corrs Chambers Westgarth and Thomson Geer.



VADM (Ret'd) Rick Breckenridge
Vice President, Strategy and Business Development, Northrop
Grumman Corporation

Richard Breckenridge, a retired U.S. Navy vice admiral who transitioned to the industry following his military career, and has been with Northrop Grumman since late 2017.

VIP Guest Biography



The Hon Carlos Del Toro **US Secretary of the Navy**

The Honorable Carlos Del Toro was sworn in as the 78th Secretary of the Navy August 9, 2021. As Secretary, he is responsible for over 900,000 Sailors, Marines, reservists, and civilian personnel and an annual budget exceeding \$210 Billion. His priorities include securing the training and equipment successful naval operations demand and addressing the most pressing challenges confronting the US Navy and Marine Corps – China’s naval ambitions, climate instability, Covid’s ongoing impact, and strengthening a naval culture of inclusiveness and respect.

Born in Havana, Cuba, Del Toro immigrated to the U.S. with his family as refugees in 1962. Raised in the Hell’s Kitchen neighborhood of New York City, he attended public schools and received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy, where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering. Secretary Del Toro was commissioned as a Surface Warfare Officer upon his graduation in 1983.

His 22-year naval career included a series of critical appointments and numerous tours of duty at sea – including First Commanding Officer of the guided missile destroyer USS Bulkeley (DDG 84); Senior Executive Assistant to the Director for Program Analysis and Evaluation in the Office of the Secretary of Defense; and Special Assistant to the Director and Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget – where he helped manage the budgets of DOD, the U.S. Department of State, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the National Reconnaissance Office, and the Peace Corps.

After retiring at the rank of Commander, Secretary Del Toro founded SBG Technology Solutions, Inc. in 2004. As its CEO and President, he supported defense programs across a host of immediate and long-term Department of Navy issue areas, including shipbuilding, AI, cybersecurity, acquisition programs, space systems, health, and training.

He holds a Masters in National Security Studies from the Naval War College, a Masters in Space Systems Engineering from the Naval Postgraduate School, and a Masters in Legislative Affairs from George Washington University.

Secretary Del Toro and his wife have four children and a granddaughter



Congressman Rob Wittman
U.S. House of Representatives from Virginia's 1st district

Serving the First Congressional District of Virginia since 2007, Rob has been focused on strengthening our military and supporting veterans, promoting economic development through fiscal responsibility, fixing our crumbling infrastructure, increasing access to high-speed internet, and promoting workforce development through Career and Technical Education (CTE) and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) programs.

In the U.S. Congress, Rob serves on the House Armed Services Committee and the Committee on Natural Resources, where he is well-positioned to represent the needs of Virginia's First District.

On the Armed Services Committee, Rob serves as Vice Ranking Member of the full Committee and Ranking Member of Seapower and Projection Forces Subcommittee. In addition, as Co-Chair of the Congressional Shipbuilding Caucus, he is a staunch advocate for a robust Naval fleet and a healthy domestic shipbuilding industry. He also currently serves on the U.S. Naval Academy's Board of Visitors. Rob also served as Chairman of the Readiness Subcommittee for four years and as Chairman of the U.S. Naval Academy's Board of Visitors for nine years.

Prior to his election to Congress, Rob spent 26 years working in state government, most recently as Field Director for the Virginia Health Department's Division of Shellfish Sanitation. Earlier, he worked for many years as an environmental health specialist for local health departments in Virginia's Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula regions.

He holds a Ph.D. in Public Policy and Administration from Virginia Commonwealth University, a Master of Public Health degree in Health Policy and Administration from the University of North Carolina, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Virginia Tech.



The Hon Dr Kevin Rudd AC
Australian Ambassador to the United States

Kevin Rudd is Australia's Ambassador to the United States of America, taking up his posting in Washington in March 2023.

Kevin served as Australia's 26th Prime Minister from 2007 to 2010, then as Minister for Foreign Affairs, before a second term as Prime Minister in 2013. He was Member for Griffith in the Australian Parliament from 1998 to 2013.

Since leaving government, Kevin has resided in the United States where he is recognised as a leading analyst of China. In 2014, he joined the Harvard Kennedy School's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs as a resident scholar on US-China relations. In 2015, he became inaugural President of the Asia Society Policy Institute in New York. In 2020, he was appointed President and CEO of the Asia Society globally and, in 2022, he founded the Asia Society Policy Institute's Center for China Analysis.

In 2019, Kevin was appointed a Companion of the Order of Australia for eminent service to Indigenous reconciliation, innovative economic initiatives, and major policy reform, and through senior advisory roles with international organisations.

He holds honorary positions at the Asia Society; Atlantic Council; Belfer Center; Bloomberg New Economy Forum; Center for Strategic and International Studies; Chancellor Helmut Schmidt Foundation; Chatham House; Friends of the Paris Agreement; Museum of Australian Democracy; Paulson Institute; Paris School of International Affairs; and Stephen A. Schwartzman Education Foundation. He is co-chair of an Australian charity, the National Apology Foundation, and a trustee of the Cathedral of St John the Divine in New York City.

Kevin started his diplomatic career in 1981 with postings to Beijing and Stockholm. In 1988, he was appointed Chief of Staff to the Hon. Wayne Goss and served him as Premier of Queensland. He was Director-General of the Cabinet Office from 1991 to 1995, and Senior China Consultant for KPMG from 1996 to 1998.

Kevin graduated with Honours in Asian Studies from the Australian National University and received his PhD from Oxford University in 2022. He also studied at National Taiwan Normal University in Taipei. He is the author of several books, including *The Avoidable War: The Dangers of a Catastrophic Conflict between the US and Xi Jinping's China*.

Kevin is accompanied on his posting by his wife, Thérèse Rein.



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Event Brief – Washington DC Launch of the UniSA GEMBA in Defence and Space
Co-hosted by Pyne & Partners and University of South Australia

Date/time: Thursday 30 March 2023, 1700h-1900h

Location: s22(1)(a)(ii)

Dress code: Business attire

POC on day: s 47F(1), Partner at Pyne & Partners, +s 47F(1)

Run sheet

- 1700h** Guest arrival at s22(1)(a)(ii)
Networking opportunity over drinks and hors d’oeuvres
- 1755h** **The Hon Christopher Pyne**, Chairman of Pyne & Partners to welcome guests
Mr Pyne to introduce Mr Matt Opie (University of South Australia)
Mr Opie to address guests (5 minutes)
Mr Pyne to introduce HE The Hon Dr Kevin Rudd AC
Ambassador Rudd to address guests and officially launch the UniSA
GEMBA in Defence and Space (5 minutes)
Official photos
- 1810h** End of official proceedings. Networking to continue.
- 1900h** Event concludes

List of Attendees

| FirstName | Surname | Organisation, Position |
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| Andrew | Jory | Australian Embassy in Washington DC, Minister Counsellor for Trade |
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| Belinda | McNamara | Australian Embassy in Washington DC, Minister Counsellor for Defence Policy |
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with special guests

His Excellency The Hon Dr Kevin Rudd AC
Australian Ambassador to the United States

The Hon Christopher Pyne
54th Australian Minister for Defence and Industry Professor at UniSA

Thursday 30 March 2023
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Host biographies



The Hon Christopher Pyne **Chairman, Pyne & Partners**

Christopher is Chairman of strategic advisory and public affairs consulting firm Pyne and Partners.

Christopher was elected to the Australian Parliament in 1993 and served as the Member for Sturt for 26 years. During this time, he was in the Liberal Party Leadership Group for 10 years, Leader of the House of Representatives for six years, and served in Cabinet for six years.

Christopher Pyne served as the 54th Australian Defence Minister. He was responsible for delivering a \$200 billion build-up of Australia's military capability, the largest in Australia's peacetime history.

During his time as a Cabinet Minister in the Defence portfolio, Christopher contracted the Hunter Class Anti-Submarine Warfare frigates, the Attack Class Submarine project, the Arafura Class Offshore Patrol Vessels, the Combat Reconnaissance Vehicles, the Loyal Wingman (since renamed Ghost Bat) UAVs and secured Australia as the Asia Pacific hub for the sustainment and maintenance of the F35-A Joint Strike Fighter.

Before entering Parliament, Christopher practised as a solicitor at Corrs Chambers Westgarth and Thomson Geer.



Mr Matt Opie **University of South Australia, Director – Defence & Space**

Matt is Director, Defence & Space at the University of South Australia; a role that steers engagement between the university and the defence and space sectors across research and education.

Matt provides strategy and leadership in the defence and space sectors both internally and externally with industry and defence. A key aspect of this role is matching research areas with customers' needs and requirements. Matt has worked in the defence industry in and out of uniform for most of his career in project and program management, business development and strategy and research.

Working with leading defence companies including Saab and BAE Systems, Matt has experience in a range of key technologies including in satellite communications, electronic warfare and command and control systems. He has also worked in the Department of Defence in roles engaging with industry on rapid prototyping and development projects.

Matt holds a Bachelor of Science and a Masters in Business Administration. After graduating from the Australian Defence Force Academy and the Royal Military College Duntroon, Matt served in the Australian Army as an Officer in the Royal Australian Corps of Signals in Australia and the Middle East; and has been working in the defence industry for the past 30 years.

VIP Guest Speaker biography



The Hon Dr Kevin Rudd AC **Australian Ambassador to the United States**

Kevin Rudd is Australia's Ambassador to the United States of America, taking up his posting in Washington in March 2023.

Kevin served as Australia's 26th Prime Minister from 2007 to 2010, then as Minister for Foreign Affairs, before a second term as Prime Minister in 2013. He was Member for Griffith in the Australian Parliament from 1998 to 2013.

Since leaving government, Kevin has resided in the United States where he is recognised as a leading analyst of China. In 2014, he joined the Harvard Kennedy School's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs as a resident scholar on US-China relations. In 2015, he became inaugural President of the Asia Society Policy Institute in New York. In 2020, he was appointed President and CEO of the Asia Society globally and, in 2022, he founded the Asia Society Policy Institute's Center for China Analysis.

In 2019, Kevin was appointed a Companion of the Order of Australia for eminent service to Indigenous reconciliation, innovative economic initiatives, and major policy reform, and through senior advisory roles with international organisations.

He holds honorary positions at the Asia Society; Atlantic Council; Belfer Center; Bloomberg New Economy Forum; Center for Strategic and International Studies; Chancellor Helmut Schmidt Foundation; Chatham House; Friends of the Paris Agreement; Museum of Australian Democracy; Paulson Institute; Paris School of International Affairs; and Stephen A. Schwartzman Education Foundation. He is co-chair of an Australian charity, the National Apology Foundation, and a trustee of the Cathedral of St John the Divine in New York City.

Kevin started his diplomatic career in 1981 with postings to Beijing and Stockholm. In 1988, he was appointed Chief of Staff to the Hon. Wayne Goss and served him as Premier of Queensland. He was Director-General of the Cabinet Office from 1991 to 1995, and Senior China Consultant for KPMG from 1996 to 1998.

Kevin graduated with Honours in Asian Studies from the Australian National University and received his PhD from Oxford University in 2022. He also studied at National Taiwan Normal University in Taipei. He is the author of several books, including *The Avoidable War: The Dangers of a Catastrophic Conflict between the US and Xi Jinping's China*.

Kevin is accompanied on his posting by his wife, Thérèse Rein.

About the University of South Australia Global Executive MBA: Defence and Space



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An international, defence and space focused MBA

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