

Tuesday, 22 November will be our last talk for 2022 (Please note change of day)

Professor Nick Bisley will discuss

Australia and the World under the Albanese Government: Change and Continuity in Australian Foreign Policy

As Professor Bisley, from Melbourne's La Trobe University, says: "To the extent that foreign policy figured in the 2021 Australian federal election, the Australian Labor Party (ALP) put forward a strongly status quo position."

This included support for Australia's Quad partnership with India, Japan and the US and the AUKUS trilateral security pact between Australia, the United Kingdom and the US.

"In the six months since election, however, there has been a number of key and unexpected changes in Australian policy, in both tone and substance," says Bisley, "while other elements are almost entirely as if the Coalition remained in charge."

Professor Bisley's talk will assess the Albanese government's foreign policy as it

attempts to navigate a region riven by great power rivalry, economic shocks and deteriorating balance of power.

About the speaker: Nick Bisley is the Dean and Head of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences and Professor of International Relations at La Trobe University. His research and teaching expertise is in Asia's international relations, great power politics and Australian foreign and defence policy.

He is currently the President of the Australasian Council of Deans of Arts

, Social Sciences and Humanities and was elected as a Fellow of the Australian Institute of International Affairs in 2020. He is a member of the advisory board of China Matters, a member of the Council for Security and Cooperation in the Asia-Pacific and between 2013 and 2018 served as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Australian Journal of International Affairs*, the country's oldest scholarly journal in the field of international relations.

All are welcome to attend - Tuesday, 22 November 2022 Venue: Rosewood, 417 Queen Street, Masterton at 8.00 pm Tea and coffee from 7.30 pm Non-members: \$5.00 door charge

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