

Freedom Factory was established in 2009 as a forum for those interested in discussing and learning about the ideas and principles that underpin a free society. Given the political and economic developments of recent times, in addition to the erosion of our freedoms through new state and federal legislation, it has been decided that this conference will become an annual event and will serve as Mannkal's flagship program to introduce students and young professionals to a number of leading thinkers, political leaders, commentators and academics. We aim to give tomorrow's future leaders a clearer understanding of personal and economic freedom by highlighting the importance of individual liberty and how this relates to the free market economy and the role and nature of government.

Freedom Factory is not about political slogans or partisan positioning. Attendees are from all walks of life and fall on differing points of the political spectrum. We recognise that for many people this will be their first exposure to the political philosophy of libertarianism but our hope is that, with an open and inquisitive mind, you'll find the event informative, provocative, challenging and fun!

The theme of the 2010 conference is: *Where to From Here? Economic Survival Post-GFC: The Individual, the State and the Nation*. In the midst of the Global Financial Crisis (GFC) there were a range of policy responses which, at the time, were proclaimed as changing the foundation of the financial and economic system. Political institutions found themselves at the centre of the economy, some by design and opportunity, others by accident. While there has been much debate over various stimulus packages and government bailouts, we do not seek to run over this old ground, but rather ask: what's next?

Aside from the veterans of past events and future leaders, this event also brings together economists, policymakers, politicians, think-tank researchers, students and young professionals.

Freedom Factory will run as a half day conference, beginning with a light lunch and concluding with a formal dinner. Confirmed speakers include Dr Alex Robson (ANU), Dan Denning, Leonie Phillips, Parnell McGuinness, Ben Wyatt MLA, Michael Keenan MP and Benjamin Marks. There will be multiple opportunities to interact with all of the speakers and share ideas.

Date: Friday, 9 April 2010

**Time:** Conference (including lunch) 12.00pm – 5.30 pm

Dinner 6.30 pm

Venue: University Club

The University of Western Australia, Hackett Drive, Crawley

**Cost:** Full time enrolled students: \$50 (plus \$30 for dinner)

Professionals: \$150 (plus \$50 for dinner)

(This includes conference registration, pre-conference pack,

lunch, afternoon tea and sundowner)

**RSVP:** Friday, 26 March 2010

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Please note attendance is restricted and will close when fully subscribed. Students are encouraged to register early as we are offering a limited number of scholarships for university students. The first ten students from each of WA's five universities will receive a complimentary ticket to the conference.

If you wish to attend Freedom Factory please complete this form and return it to us by Friday, 26 March 2010 via:

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