# 2012 Threats to Freedom of Speech Conference

Hosted by Murdoch Law School

### Friday 12 October 2012

6.00 start Welcome Event, Murdoch School of Law Foyer

### Saturday 13 October 2012

### 11.00-12.00 Registration, Murdoch School of Law Foyer

12.00-12.15 Welcome: Dr Augusto Zimmermann

### Session 1 (Moderator: Michelle Evans)

2.00-2.20	Coffee break
1.30-1.50	Panel discussion
1.10-1.30	Lorraine Finlay – Free speech, International Law and Julian Assange
12.50-1.10	Prof Jürgen Bröhmer – Free Speech and the European Convention on Human Rights
12.30-12.50	Dr Augusto Zimmermann – Religious vilification laws and free speech
12.10-12.30	Prof James Allan – A Bill of Rights and free speech

### Session 2 (Moderator: Christian Porter)

2.20-2.40	Stephen Hurworth – Free Speech and Education: A Case study
2.40-3.00	Michelle Evans – Defamation, Free Speech and the Constitution
3.00-3.20	Prof Joseph M Fernandez – Free speech and Media Regulation and the Finkelstein Report
3.20-3.40	To Be Confirmed
3.40- 4.10	Panel discussion

### 4.10-4.30 Coffee break

4.30-4.35 Introduction of Keynote Speaker: Andrew Pickford

4.35-5.20 Keynote: Chris Berg

5.20-5.30 Closing: Ron Manners

<sup>\*</sup> Timetable subject to change without notice.

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For the first time in 2012, the Mannkal Economic Education Foundation and the Murdoch University School of Law are holding a two-day Conference dedicated to the discussion of threats posed to the security of liberty in Australia and worldwide.

The Conference will be divided into two parts. The first part is a welcoming reception held on the  $12^{\text{th}}$  of October in the Murdoch Law School Foyer with the opportunity to meet fellow Conference attendees. The second part is a day Conference held on the  $13^{\text{th}}$  of October from 12pm to 6pm in the Murdoch University Freehills Lecture Theatre.

Conference speakers and moderators include The Hon. Christian Porter MLA, Dr Augusto Zimmermann, Professor James Allan, Professor Joseph M Fernandez and Professor Jürgen Bröhmer. Mr Chris Berg, author of *In Defence of Freedom of Speech: From Ancient Greece to Andrew Bolt*, will be keynote speaker.

Registration for the Conference is available for \$130, or \$100 for <u>only</u> the Friday night function <u>or</u> the Saturday Conference. Scholarships are available for student attendees.

Legal practitioners who attend the conference will earn 4 CPD points under Competency Area 3 (Substantive Law). Please note: CPD points will only be awarded to those who attend the Saturday event.

To register your attendance to the Conference, please complete the section below electronically and return it to evp@msls.asn.au by the 14th of September.

Name:		
Company/University/School:		
Contact Number:		
Email Address:		
Which part(s) of the Conference will you be attending? (Important for catering purposes)	Friday only	
How did you hear about the Conference?	Personal invitation	
I would you like to receive newsletters and other updates from Mannkal Economic Education Foundation. $\hfill \Box$		







