

From the Director



Dear friends and colleagues

This month we have a new Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull, Treasurer Scott Morrison (moving from his portfolio as Minister for Social Services) and Assistant Treasurer Kelly O'Dwyer. We might have some new opportunities for tax reform!

I would like to thank all the speakers and participants at our recent conference *GST in the real world* on Wednesday 16 September 2015. Speaker presentations are available for download from the conference webpage [here](#).

Applications for the **2016 Australian Visiting Fellow Awards** are now open. These awards fund a one or two week visit by Australian tax and welfare scholars from around the country to TTPI at Crawford School, to build our national public finance research network. Visiting fellows will carry out research and we will aim to build collaborative projects in future. Guidelines and the application form are available [here](#).

An important element of tax and transfer reform in Australia is about supporting women's workforce participation and retirement savings. We are excited to announce a forthcoming visit by leading Canadian tax scholar, Professor Kathleen Lahey of Queen's University, in the first week of November. TTPI and the Gender Institute will jointly host Professor Lahey in a public lecture on *Tax and transfer policies and sex equality: what Australia, Canada and the UK should learn from experience*. Professor Lahey will also participate in an Academy of the Social Sciences interdisciplinary Workshop on Gender Equality in Australia's Tax and Transfer System, which will bring together leading scholars and policymakers on this topic.

Professor Bob Breunig will be leading a Crawford Executive Education course on Tax Policy on 12-13 November 2015, which will provide a broad introduction and overview of the economics and design aspects of tax policy. Course overview and details on how to apply are available [here](#).

Public Lecture

Tax and transfer policies and sex equality: what Australia, Canada and the UK should learn from experience

The Tax and Transfer Policy Institute and Gender Institute at ANU are pleased to co-host Professor Kathleen Lahey from Canada to give this free public lecture on **Wednesday 4 November at 5.15pm**.

Registration and event details are on our website [here](#).

TTPI Seminar Series

The next TTPI seminar will be held on **Tuesday 13 October 2015, 11.am-12.30pm**, on the topic *Dividend imputation and BEPS*. It is presented by Associate Professor Alfred Tran, and Estelle Xuerui, ANU College of Business and Economics. Further details and registration are available on our website [here](#).

As always, please circulate this information and newsletter widely to people who you think may be interested.

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