Dear friends and colleagues

We are now in the countdown to election day on 2 July; indeed, I voted early last week. A podcast of a lively debate on The Vote: Tax and the Economy, held recently at Crawford School, is now available for download [here](#).

The Turnbull government's proposal to cut the company tax rate from 30 per cent to 25 per cent in 10 years has prompted significant and important public debate. The macroeconomic modelling of GDP or national income effects gives us some information but ultimately is only a part of the story about whether Australia needs to take this path in light of global trends.

On [Austaxpolicy.com](http://Austaxpolicy.com) we host a debate about the modelling and size of these effects and fiscal costs by Chris Murphy, currently a visiting fellow at Crawford School, and Janine Dixon at the Centre of Policy Studies, Victoria University including links to underlying papers. I will be talking about the future of business tax with Lisa Gropp of the Business Council of Australia, and about sustainability of the budget generally with John Daly of the Grattan Institute, at the [Crawford Leadership Forum](#) on 21-22 June 2016.

International Visiting Fellow Professor Judith Freedman of Oxford University will present a UK perspective on the important and growing role of anti-avoidance rules for global corporate tax, at a free, public event on [Wednesday 20 July 2016, 4.30-6.30pm](#). Professor Freedman's talk will be followed by a panel of Australian perspectives from the Tax Office, professional, business and policy fields. See our [website](#).

The Law Council of Australia prize for tax research (the Forsyth/Pose Scholarship) is open again, aimed at a substantial research paper by persons at a junior stage of their career in Australia, whether it be as a practising lawyer, academic or in the public service or corporate sector. Papers must be submitted by [31 July 2016](#). See the [Law Council of Australia website](#).

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including recently John Freebairn on carbon emissions policies of both parties and Maria Racionero on the lack of empirical evidence supporting income tax cuts and work incentives.

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