

POLICY EXCHANGE: A DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR POLICY OFFICERS

THURSDAY 16
SEPTEMBER 2021

Brought to you by the Winston Churchill Trust and Yellow Edge, the Policy Exchange presents a select group of Churchill Fellows to share their innovative and thought-provoking policy ideas with public servants and the not for profit sector.



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WHO THIS IS FOR?

Officers at the ASO6 and SOGC level especially in the ACT Public Service. APS6 and EL1 officers in in Australian Public Service and Policy or Program Delivery officers in not for profit organisations are also very welcome.

WHAT IS IT ABOUT?

Participants engage with Churchill Fellows on five policy topics with guidance from our esteemed Policy Exchange Chairs. Morning sessions will focus on the policy ideas and sessions in the afternoon will focus on implementation and leadership issues.



WHEN

THURSDAY 16 SEPTEMBER
POLICY FORUM: 9.30 - 4.30PM

WHERE

The event will be conducted
virtually .

TICKETS

\$110 per person
www.yellowedge.com.au/ye-shop/policy-exchange

POLICY EXCHANGE CHAIRS

The Policy Exchange will be chaired by Professor Deborah Blackman and Professor Andrew Podger AO.



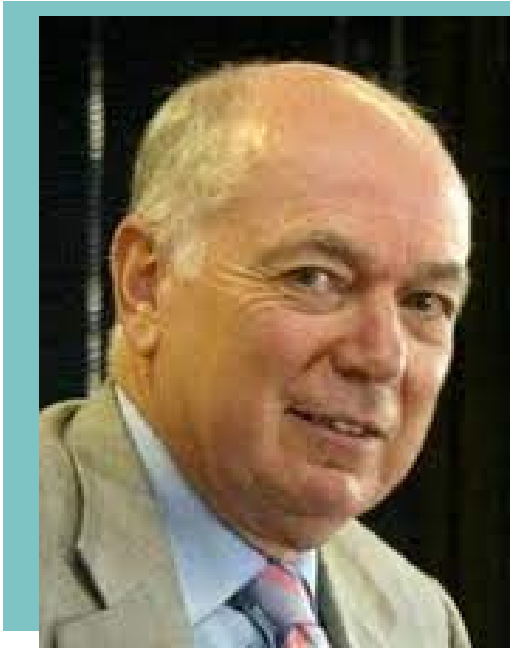
Professor Deborah Blackman

**Head of School of Business and Professor in Public Sector Management Strategy,
UNSW Canberra at ADFA.**

Deborah's research focuses on public service management, in particular strategy development and implementation. Prof Blackman's academic background is in a range of management and administration related fields: human resource management; organisational learning; knowledge management; training and development; and managing change and organisational behaviour.

The common theme of her work is developing effective knowledge development, acquisition and transfer in order to improve organisational effectiveness in a range of applied, real-world contexts.

Before joining UNSW Canberra in 2014, Prof Blackman was the Director of the Graduate Research Office at the University of Canberra, where she managed a small team that undertakes strategic planning, develops policy and delivers the Higher Degree Research Education Programme.



Andrew Podger AO

Professor of Public Policy at ANU

Andrew Podger was a long-term public servant before joining academia. His senior appointments include:

- Public Service Commissioner 2002-2004;
- Secretary of the Australian Department of Health and Aged Care (and related designations) 1996-2002;
- Secretary of the Australian Department of Housing and Regional Development 1994-1996;
- Secretary of the Australian Department of Administrative Services (and related designations) 1993-94.

He was appointed Professor of Public Policy at ANU on a part-time basis in 2010, and appointed Honorary Professor of Public Policy from July 2014. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia, a Fellow of the (US) National Academy of Public Administration, a National Fellow of the Institute of Public Administration in Australia and a Fellow of the Australia and New Zealand School of Government. Since 2012 he has been a Public Member of the Australian Press Council. He was awarded an Officer in the Order of Australia (AO) in 2004.

"It's a really interesting time to be studying policy... Everyone's dealing with this extraordinary threat, that's unprecedented, that's challenging all aspects of society in a way we haven't seen before."

– Holly Ransom



2021 POLICY EXCHANGE TOPICS

1. **Don't Wait Until They're Well: School policy and technology to keep sick kids connected** presented by Megan Gilmour
2. **Ignorance is Not Innocence: Implementing Relationships and Sex Education to safeguard sexual wellbeing** presented by Katrina Marson
3. **Peer Parent and Family Advocacy in Child Protection: A pathway to better outcomes for kids** presented by: Jessica Cocks
4. **Design and Planning Policy for Family-Friendly Apartment Living** presented by Natalia Krysiak
5. **Artificial Intelligence and Human Government** presented by Owen Churches



ABOUT YELLOW EDGE

Yellow Edge is a local, Canberra based consulting company focused on helping individuals, teams and organisations to achieve high performance. Founded in 2002 on a clear set of values and an approach to our work that is client centred, our high performance work is carried out through the following business streams:

- Performance consulting including organisational alignment, executive cohesion, workforce planning, capability planning, business planning organisational reviews and design and performance management.
- Citizen and stakeholder engagement. We specialise in building solid engagement strategies for organisations as well as conduct stakeholder engagement processes on their behalf with citizens, communities and business stakeholders.
- Leadership development including executive cohesion, senior and middle level management and leadership development.
- Capability development in many areas including change management, performance management, team building, influencing, conflict management and emotional intelligence, self-awareness, customer service and problem solving.
- Executive coaching including for senior executives up to chief executive level.



ABOUT THE WINSTON CHURCHILL MEMORIAL TRUST

The Winston Churchill Trust was formed in 1965 to honour Sir Winston Churchill's memory through the awarding of 'Churchill Fellowships'. Churchill Fellowships provide Australians from all walks of life with the opportunity to travel overseas to investigate a topic they are passionate about, to gain skills and knowledge not readily available in Australia. No educational qualifications are required to apply, and the topic of the project is limitless, provided a benefit to Australia and willingness to share project findings with Australian communities is displayed. To date 4,586 Australians have been awarded a Churchill Fellowship.

On their journeys, many Churchill Fellows gain first-hand experience in best practice and innovative policy development and implementation in other countries. To draw upon this knowledge and further inform policy reform within Australia, the Policy Impact Program and its flagship publication Policy Futures: A Reform Agenda were developed by the Churchill Trust in partnership with The University of Queensland, Centre for Policy Futures. Australian policy makers can now benefit from the experiences and lessons gained by Churchill Fellows, adapting them to the local context, and reducing the risk of unknown consequences when designing and implementing new policy for Australia.