

Speakers:

David Evans
Chris de Freitas
Senator Cory Bernardi
Robert Carter
Alan Moran
TBA

8:00 am to 9:00am-Breakfast buffet

9:00- 9:15- Jim Lakely welcome and introduction of ALL MORNING speakers

9:15-9:45- **Chris de Freitas**

9:45-10:00- Q&A moderated by Jim Lakely

10:00-10:30 -**Robert Carter**

10:30-10:45- Q&A moderated by Jim Lakely

10:45- 11:15- **Senator Cory Bernardi**

11:15- 11:30 Q&A moderated by Jim Lakely

11:30- noon- BREAK

Noon- 1:00pm LUNCH BUFFET

1:00- 1:15: Jim Lakely- call the room to order and introduce the afternoon speakers

1:15-1:45- David Evans

1:45- 2:00 Q&A moderated by Jim Lakely

2:00- 2:30 -Alan Moran

2:30- 2:45 Q&A moderated by Jim Lakely

2:45-3:15 Speaker # 6 TBA

3:15-3:30 Q&A moderated by Jim Lakely

3:30-3:45 wrap up and adjourn.
PACIFIC RIM SPEAKERS BIO'S

SENATOR CORY BERNARDI



Senator Cory Bernardi was sworn in as a Senator for South Australia in May 2006.

Senator Bernardi has had over 24 years' involvement in the Liberal Party in Australia. From 1998 to 2000 Senator Bernardi served as the youngest ever State President of the Liberal Party in South Australia. He was also the youngest ever Federal Vice President of the Liberal Party of Australia.

Before entering politics Senator Bernardi was a business owner and a financial adviser with a leading stockbroking firm. Eventually, he established his own asset management practice and continued financial consultancy until he became a Senator.

Senator Bernardi represented Australia at the World Rowing Championships and recognises the important role that sport can play in the lives of all Australians - particularly younger generations.

An accomplished author, Senator Bernardi has written three books: *Fit for Life!*, a book which encourages children to be active and engage in a healthy lifestyle; *The Money Tree*, which teaches children responsible money habits; and *As I See It*, a compilation of his weekly newspaper columns.

He recently founded the Conservative Leadership Foundation - a not-for-profit educational, research and training organisation dedicated to developing Australia's future leaders.

During his almost four years in the Australian Parliament, he has become known as a conviction politician who advocates strongly smaller government, lower tax and personal freedom built on the foundation of Judeo-Christian values.

He was one of the leading advocates within the Liberal Party who stood against the Rudd Labor Government's Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme. In 2007 he wrote an essay entitled *Cool heads need on global warming*, which called for a considered debate on climate change and drew national attention.

In subsequent years he continued to speak against the Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme in Parliament and through his popular online blog.

Senator Bernardi has held various portfolios within the Liberal Opposition since 2007. He is currently the Shadow Parliamentary Secretary Assisting the Leader of the Opposition and the Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Infrastructure and Population Policy.

Robert (Bob) M. Carter, Hon. FRSNZ



Bob Carter is a marine geologist and environmental scientist with 40 years' professional experience. He has held academic positions at Otago University and the University of Adelaide and is currently a research professor at James Cook University (Queensland), where he was head of the School of Earth Sciences between 1981 and 1999. He is a former director of the Australian Office for the Ocean Drilling Program, the premier, world-best-practice research program for environmental and earth sciences. Carter has served on many national and international research committees, including the Australian Research Council. He is a former chairman of the Marine Science and Technologies Award Committee and the National Committee on Earth Sciences. He is an overseas honorary fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand. Carter's current research on climate change, sea-level change, and stratigraphy is based on field studies of Cenozoic sediments (last 65 million years) from the Southwest Pacific region, especially the Great Barrier Reef and New Zealand, and includes the analysis of marine sediment cores collected during Ocean Drilling Program Leg 181 in the South Pacific Ocean east of New Zealand.

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Dr Chris de Freitas



Dr Chris de Freitas is a climate scientist at the University of Auckland, New Zealand, where he has been Head of Science and Technology at the Tamaki campus and four years as Pro Vice Chancellor. He has Bachelors and Masters degrees from the University of Toronto and PhD from the University of Queensland as a Commonwealth Scholar. He has been Vice President of the Meteorological Society of New Zealand and is a founding member of the Australia New Zealand Climate Forum. For 10 years he was as an editor of the international journal "*Climate Research*". He is an advocate of open and well informed reporting on scientific issues. In recognition of this, he has three times been the recipient of the New Zealand Association of Scientists, Science Communicator Awards and a Merit Award in Science Communication.





Dr David Evans worked for the Australian Greenhouse Office (now the Department of Climate Change) from 1999 to 2005, modelling Australia's carbon in plants, debris, mulch, soils, and forestry and agricultural products. Evans is a mathematician and engineer, with six university degrees including a PhD from Stanford University in electrical engineering. His wife runs a major skeptic blog: <http://joannenova.com.au>. The evidence supporting the idea that CO2 emissions were the main cause of global warming reversed itself from 1998 to 2006, causing Evans to move from being a warmist to a skeptic.

James Lakely- Communications Director, The Heartland Institute

Jim Lakely is communications director for The Heartland Institute. Jim joined Heartland in 2008

as managing editor of InfoTech & Telecom News and subsequently took on duties as a research fellow and the co-director of Heartland's Center on the Digital Economy. He has nearly 20 years experience in journalism, including stints covering The White House and Congress for The Washington Times, writing editorials and columns for newspapers in Virginia and California, and serving as business editor for a trade magazine based in Los Angeles.

A native New Yorker, Jim considers Pittsburgh (where his family resides) his adopted home town. A graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, Jim is an avid follower of his alma mater's sports teams and a die-hard Pittsburgh Steelers fan. Jim and his wife make their home in Oak Park, Illinois, with an adopted racing grayhound and two cats

Dr Moran is the Director of the Deregulation Unit at the Institute of Public Affairs. An economist, he was previously a senior Australian government official with responsibilities which included regulation review and energy policy.

He is one of Australia's best known commentators on the energy industry and over the past ten years has published over thirty major papers and addresses covering specific aspects of the industry.

In addition to editing a recent book, “Climate Change, the Facts”, he has also authored four books, including three on environmental economics, and published dozens articles and submissions on privatisation, energy and other economic policy matters.

Much of his work can be accessed on <http://www.ipa.org.au/people/bio.asp?peopleid=58>