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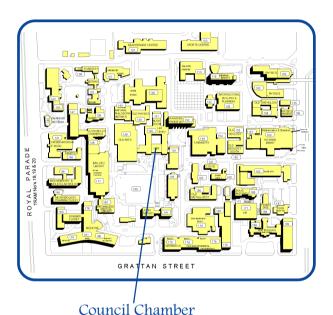
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Establishing a
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elecommunications regulation raises complex economic and legal policy issues. The cost-structure of the telecommunications industry means that effective regulation must somehow balance the efficiencies derived from competition with incentives for investment in infrastructure. While most agree with these objectives, there is much disagreement concerning how to best promote the objectives.

This half-day seminar brings together some of Australia's best thinkers on telecommunications policy to address issues central to the future structure of telecommunications regulation:

- Is the current regulatory regime adversely affecting incentives for investing in telecommunications infrastructure?
- Can we improve our regulatory regime to better promote efficient levels of investment?

As our telecommunications infrastructure will provide the platform for much of Australia's future economic growth and international competitiveness, it is vital that we work towards establishing the best possible form of regulation.

The seminar coincides with an important review of the telecommunications competition regime by the Productivity Commission. The seminar program includes considerable opportunities for discussion and input from attendees.

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Seminar Program

Welcome. 11.05am Economists' Perspectives 9.00am **Iim Holmes** Professor Henry Ergas Ovum Pty Ltd Managing Director Chair of the Advisory Board of the **Network Economics Consulting** Centre for Media, Communications & Group(NECG) Information Technology Law 11.35am Panel discussion 9.15am Introductory Remarks Robert Albon Colin Lyons Economic Advisor General Manager (Telecommunications Australian Competition & Competition and Consumer) Consumer Commission (ACCC) Department of Communications, Information Technology & the Arts (DCITA) Dr Chee-Wah Chea LECG Asia~Pacific Carriers' Perspectives 9.30am 12.00pm Responses & Discussion Derek Francis Professor Mike Woods Manager of Regulatory Economics Commissioner **C&W** Optus **Productivity Commission** 10.00am Sean Kennedy Policy Analyst, Regulatory and Dr Ralph Lattimore Carrier Affairs Assistant Commissioner Vodafone Australia **Productivity Commission** 10.30am Questions and Discussion 12.15pm Questions & Discussion 10.50am Morning Tea 12.50pm Closing remarks

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