

# Newsletter May 2019

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## Welcome to the ASSA monthly Newsletter

Each month we'll be sending out an update to keep you in the loop with news from the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia. If you miss a newsletter or would like to catch up on some of the past editions you can find them all on the ASSA website [here](#).

## *2019 Election Statement*



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This week ASSA released its Election Statement calling for the next

Government of Australia to redouble its commitment to support social science research.

The Election Statement stressed the importance of consistent access to the best research and knowledge from across the humanities, arts and social sciences (HASS) and science, technology, engineering, and maths (STEM) to prepare today for tomorrow's challenges – from climate change and social well-being to technological adaptation and an evolving economy.

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## *Upcoming Events*



**THE FUTURE OF WORK**

**2019 Keith Hancock Lecture**  
Presented by Professor John Quiggin

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### *2019 Keith Hancock Lecture: The Future of Work*

Presented by Professor John Quiggin the 2019 Keith Hancock Lecture will cover how technological change, used in a socially desirable way, offers the potential for a radical improvement in work-life balance.

**Date:** Wednesday, 22 May 2019  
**Venue:** University of Queensland  
(Sir Llew Edwards Building, room 116)  
**Time:** 6:00pm for 6:30pm  
**RSVP:** Wednesday, 20 May 2019

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**UNDERSTANDING POLITICS AND POLICY  
THROUGH A VALUES LENS**

  
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## *2019 Peter Karmel Forum on Public Policy: Understanding Politics and Policy Through a Values Lens*

Our lives are guided by sets of values that underpin our evaluations of good and bad, right and wrong, and what should or should not be. This forum will discuss the insights that can be gained from thinking about politics and policy through a values lens.

**Date:** Friday, 24 May 2019

**Venue:** National Museum of Australia, Lawson Crescent, Canberra ACT

**Time:** 5:30pm - 6:30pm  
(Registration from 5:15pm)

**RSVP:** Wednesday, 22 May 2019

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## *2019 Paul Bourke Award Nominations*

The Academy is currently accepting nominations for the 2019 Paul Bourke Awards for Early Career Research.

The award honours Australians in the early part of their career who have achieved excellence in scholarship in one or more fields of the social sciences.



Nominations close on **Wednesday 31 July 2019**.

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## *Future of Humanities Workforce Project Consultation*



The Future Humanities Workforce project has released a Consultation Paper designed to inform the national consultation process about the contribution and preparedness of

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Australia's humanities research workforce for  
the future of work in academia and beyond.

They want to engage with stakeholders across all sectors in order to develop a comprehensive understanding of issues associated with the future humanities research workforce, including the current capacity and demographics of this workforce, and the skills and knowledge this workforce will require.

They are seeking input from the higher education sector, humanities researchers, teachers and graduates, humanities disciplinary associations, government policymakers, industry, and not-for-profit organisations.

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## ***ARC ERA National Report***

The Australian Research Council has released the *State of Australian University Research 2018–19: ERA National Report*.

The report provides the outcomes of the fourth round of Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) —evaluating the quality of Australian university research, benchmarked against world standards in a comprehensive way.

The longitudinal data available is extensive covering up to 14 years of research activity and clearly shows the significant growth and improvement in quality of the research produced by the Australian higher education research institutions across that time.

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## ***ARC EI 2018–19 National Report***

The Australian Research Council has released the *Engagement and Impact Assessment 2018–19 National Report*.

The EI National Report presents the outcomes of the inaugural nation-wide assessment of university research engagement and impact. It presents an assessment of how institutions are translating their research into economic, environmental, social and other benefits and provides information on research engagement, impact and approach to impact for disciplines at each eligible Australian higher education institution.

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