

# REGISTRATION FORM

## Personal Details

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Suburb \_\_\_\_\_ P/code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation / Faith Community /Other:  
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## Dietary Requirements

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## Payment Details

I have enclosed a cheque for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(cheques payable to the *Uniting Church in Australia*)

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to:  
JIM Unit  
130 Little Collins Street  
Melbourne VIC 3000

# PROGRAM

- 9:00 Registration with tea and coffee available
- 9:30 Introduction, acknowledgement of country and opening worship
- 9:45 Panel of speakers on the global trend towards inward looking nationalism and how the Christian community can respond
- 11:00 Morning tea break
- 11:30 Table Talks: discussions at themed tables with participants welcome to move around
- 12:15 Lightning talks – One minute presentations about what you are doing in your church or community on social justice. Please tick the box on the registration form if you would like to make a presentation.
- 12:30 Lunch
- 1:15 Discussion on the work areas of the Justice and International Mission unit
- 2:15 Workshop session 1
- 3:00 Short break
- 3:15 Workshop session 2
- 4:00 Wrap up and closing worship
- 4:15 Finish

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**by Friday 19 May 2017**

## Justice and International Mission Unit Convention 2017

### Building Bridges Not Walls



**Saturday 27 May 2017**

**9:30 am - 4:15 pm**

\$30 Metro Participants  
\$20 Concession or non-Metro Participants

Centre for Theology & Ministry  
29 College Crescent, Parkville  
Melways Ref. Map 2B,D4

# Time to build bridges not walls

The world is changing. People feel threatened by terrorism and financial insecurity and are looking for stability. Some political parties and world leaders have taken advantage of this to blame 'outsiders', who are often disadvantaged themselves. Existing democracies are electing candidates that would have previously been unthinkable: the election of President Trump in the US; the rise of the far-right in Europe (with Marine Le Pen in with a chance to become the next French President) and an increase in support for One Nation in Australia.

In our region the Philippines' President Duterte, is behind a campaign of mass murder of impoverished drug users. In Burma, the Rohingya minority continue to be driven from their homes and in Australia people seeking asylum are locked up and treated as criminals.

What is the best way we as Christians can respond to these disturbing developments? What is the faithful path forward?

The Convention is a time for people to get to know others working for justice, share ideas, learn and have input on the work areas of the Justice and International Mission unit.



# KEYNOTE SPEAKER



## Joe Camilleri

Joseph Camilleri OAM is Emeritus Professor at La Trobe University, Melbourne and Executive Director of Alexandria Agenda, a new venture in ethical consulting.

In 2005 he founded the La Trobe Centre for Dialogue. Under his leadership, the Centre quickly established a national and international reputation for research, training and policy development.

He is an internationally acclaimed author, having written 20 books and over 100 book chapters and journal articles. His research has centred on: international political economy; religion and culture; security and peace studies; foreign policies of the great powers and the Asia-Pacific region. Over the past 10 years Camilleri has convened some 20 major international dialogues and conferences, and appeared before several parliamentary and government inquiries, most recently the parliamentary inquiry into the Racial Discrimination Act.

# WORKSHOPS

Please list your top three workshop options from the list below using the number of the workshop. Workshops will be run based on the number of participants. Each workshop will aim to look for the way forward in each area.

1. Promoting Community Harmony – Protecting Section 18C of the Racial Discrimination Act
2. Refugees swept away in a tide of racism
3. Addressing racial profiling by Victoria Police
4. What does Trump mean for global tax justice?
5. Human rights in our time
6. How to strengthen your social justice group
7. Keeping Ourselves Positive in a Troubled World
8. What is Congregation Based Community Organising? – Community Organising tools and how to apply them to a church setting
9. Increasing your influence – communications master class for social justice groups
10. Taking the racism out of youth justice in Victoria
11. What do the political changes in our world mean for action on climate change?

## WORKSHOP PREFERENCES

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## Lightning Talks

Please tick this box if you would like to present a one minute lightning talk on what you are doing on social justice in your church or community.