



# REVENUE SUMMIT 18

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WEDNESDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2018  
PARLIAMENT HOUSE CANBERRA

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
9.00am	<b>Coffee and Registration</b> Parliament House Theatre Parliament House	
9.30am	<b>Welcome to Country</b>	<b>Violet Sheridan</b>
	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	<b>Ben Oquist</b> Executive Director, The Australia Institute
9.45am	<b>Keynote — How Tax/Fiscal Policy can Help Build a Better Society</b>	<b>Bernie Fraser</b> former Governor of the Reserve Bank of Australia (1989-96)
10.15am	<b>Keynote — Evidence on Inequality and the Need for a More Progressive Tax System</b>	<b>Professor Patricia Apps</b> Professor of Public Economics, The University of Sydney Law School
10.45am	<b>Morning Tea</b>	
11.00am	<b>Panel #1 &gt; Revenue for Public Services</b> <i>Panel Discussion and Audience Q&amp;A</i>	<i>Chaired by</i> <b>Peter Martin</b> Business and Economy Editor, The Conversation. Visiting fellow, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU  <b>Professor Carmen Lawrence</b> former Premier of WA, former Gonski Review panel member  <b>Dr. Cassandra Goldie</b> CEO, ACOSS  <b>Andre Kaspura</b> Policy Analyst, Engineers Australia  <b>Dr. Linc Thurecht</b> Research Director, Australian Health and Hospitals Association  <b>Brendan Rynne</b> Chief Economist, KPMG Australia



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*Consecutive Governments' economic policies have focused on cutting debt, cutting spending, and bringing the budget back to surplus. Where has that left us in the ability to provide critical health, education, infrastructure and social services to Australians? What revenue alternatives exist to increase public spending on essential services?*

*The Australia Institute is proud to present this Revenue Summit to assess our public spending needs and address the available revenue raising options to meet them. Stakeholders from across health, education and infrastructure service provision will come together to discuss our current public services, and present their vision for what public services Australia could provide in the future.*

*Economists and taxation experts will discuss revenue raising options to meet our public spending needs, including increasing current taxation, introduction of new taxes, and increasing public debt to fund public services.*

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
12.30pm	<b>Crossbench MPs panel</b> <i>Panel Discussion and Audience Q&amp;A</i>	<p>Chaired by <b>Ebony Bennett</b> Deputy Director of The Australia Institute</p> <p><b>Senator Peter Whish-Wilson</b> Treasury Spokesperson, Australian Greens</p> <p><b>Rebekha Sharkie MP</b> Centre Alliance Member for Mayo</p> <p><b>Senator Tim Storer</b> Independent Senator for South Australia</p>
1.15pm	<i>Lunch</i>	
2.00pm	<b>Panel #2 &gt; Options for Increasing Revenue Collection</b> <i>Panel Discussion and Audience Q&amp;A</i>	<p>Chaired by <b>Dr. Gigi Foster</b> Associate Professor, UNSW Business School</p> <p><b>Nadine Flood</b> National Secretary, CPSU</p> <p><b>Professor Bob Gregory AO</b> Head of Department of Economics ANU, former Board Member of Reserve Bank of Australia</p> <p><b>Dr. Richard Denniss</b> Chief Economist, The Australia Institute</p>
3.15pm	<i>Afternoon Tea</i>	
3.30pm	<b>Shadow Treasurer's Address</b> <i>and Audience Q&amp;A</i>	<b>Hon. Chris Bowen MP</b> Shadow Treasurer
4.30pm	<b>Keynote — The Future Demands for Government Revenue</b>	<b>Dr Mike Keating AC</b> former Cabinet Secretary and Head of Department of Prime Minister & Cabinet
4.55pm	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	<b>Ben Oquist</b> Executive Director, The Australia Institute
5.00pm	<i>Close</i>	