



THE EU FOR JOURNALISTS: MEDIA REPORTING OF THE EU IN AUSTRALIA

2019 The EU for Journalists: Media Reporting of the EU in Australia

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Immigration Museum 400
Flinders Street Melbourne
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Australia

Free event

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Events in Europe and the European Union (EU) in the last period have been very newsworthy. The Australian media has given greater attention to events in that part of the world than it usually does. The migration crisis, the Brexit vote, 'populist' responses in elections and of course the Trump approach towards Europe have all provided important political opportunities for reporting on Europe. What sources have the Australian media used for reporting on these issues? How have they presented the EU.

Language issues and the complexity of EU institutions and processes can be difficult to untangle, especially in a world of 24 hour news. Some Australian reporting has had a tendency to lean on British outlets rather than exploring the issues from an Australian or European perspective. However, the current negotiations for a Free Trade Agreement with the EU and the prospect of working with a s 'third country' in the United Kingdom (UK) mean that there is a real need for Australian journalists to improve their understanding of how the EU functions, and how it is managing the various challenges that are currently in play. What does all of this mean for our region?

This workshop for journalists seeks to bring the understanding of the EU alive and frame it for current debate in Australia. The workshop brings together various experts to explain how the EU works and how the challenges being faced are being reported. Mark Kenny is an Australian journalist. He is the national affairs editor for The Age and the Sydney Morning Herald and will open the workshop, so we are delighted to invite you to join us.

Themes covered

- A crash course in European institutions: the who, what and where of how the EU operates
- What does the EU stand for in the new world? How does it relate to China What will the UK do?
- How will Australia manage its relationship with the EU and the UK?

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