



RMIT FUTURES  
CONFERENCE

# RESEARCH REQUIRES COLLABORATION

**4TH SEPTEMBER 2017**

9:00am – 4:30pm

## **RMIT, CITY CAMPUS**

Conference rooms, Story Hall,  
level 7 Building 16 (Green brain)

336–348 Swanston St

Melbourne VIC 3000

## **RSVP**

<https://future-h2020.eventbrite.com.au>



## **Futures Conference**

Australia's future in a competitive world depends on effective collaborative approaches – do we have the means for that?

This conference, hosted by RMIT University's EU Centre, will bring together policymakers, leaders in regional and Australian business, academics and entrepreneurs for a frank debate about the prerequisites to sustain quality research and innovation in Australia.

An exciting line-up of keynote speakers include:

- Dr Ziggy Switkowski AO, Chancellor of RMIT University and Chair of NBN Co
- Professor Ian Chubb AC, former Chief Scientist of Australia
- Patricia Kelly PSM, Director General of IP Australia
- Ken Sloan, DVC-Enterprise of Monash University
- Dr Imran Ahmad, Director of Future Earth Australia
- Professor Peta Ashworth, University of Queensland

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# HORIZON 2020

This Futures Conference consists of morning sessions dedicated to keynote presentations and discussions from some of Australia's most well-respected collaboration experts. Afternoon sessions will focus on practical individual and institutional support for international collaboration with Europe.



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## Monday 4th September 2017

### Session 1 - What is needed for international collaboration?

- 9:00am Welcome by **Bruce Wilson**, Director of RMIT EU Centre
- 9:05am 'Business, Innovation and Science Immutable prerequisites for Global Competitiveness'  
**Dr Ziggy Switkowski AO**, Chancellor of RMIT University, Chair of NBN Co.
- 9:30am 'Australia's Science: Engagement in the Global Context'  
**Professor Ian Chubb AC**, former Chief Scientist of Australia
- 10:00 'Institutional Strategies for International Collaboration'  
**Mr Ken Sloan**, DVC-Enterprise of Monash University
- 10:30am Morning tea

### Session 2 - How do we collaborate?

- 11:00am 'Australian Universities' Collaborations Viewed Through IP Rights'  
**Ms Patricia Kelly PSM**, Director General of IP Australia
- 11:30am 'Ways Europe benefits from International Collaboration'  
**Professor Peta Ashworth**, Chair in Sustainable Energy Future at UQ
- 12:00pm 'Global Networks for Global Sustainability'  
**Dr Imran Ahmad**, Director of Future Earth Australia
- 12:45pm Lunch

### Session 3 - Horizon 2020 and other European collaborative research programs

Afternoon workshop  
2:00pm - 4:40pm

This afternoon workshop will include presentations and discussions about funding programs, engagement strategies, and success stories.

For more information 

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