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BREXIT: WHERE TO NEXT FOR THE UK?

MON 4 FEBRUARY 2019

12:30pm - 2:00pm

RMIT, CITY CAMPUS

Council Chamber
Building 1, Level 2R
124 La Trobe Street
Melbourne VIC 3000

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EU Centre Brexit Seminar Series 2019

Prof Richard G Whitman

Director of the Global Europe Centre & Professor of
Politics & International Relations at the University of Kent

The United Kingdom (UK) plans to leave the European Union (EU) on 29th March 2019 nearly three years as a consequence of a referendum vote in June 2016. Negotiating Brexit has been a major preoccupation for the UK over the last two years. It has caused major political dislocation in the UK & divided the government, parliament, political parties & the public.

The UK has been a participant in the European integration process since 1973 & over the last 45 years its politics, economy, society & place in the world have been increasingly tied to Europe. Brexit is a major point of departure for the UK.

On the eve of the UK's departure from the EU, Professor Whitman will untangle the intricacies of the Brexit process, look at the state of play in the UK's relationship with the EU & offer an assessment of the UK's future place in Europe.

SPEAKER

Professor Richard G. Whitman is Director of the Global Europe Centre & Professor of Politics & International Relations at the *University of Kent*. He is also an Associate Fellow & former Head of the Europe Programme at the *Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House)*.

His current research interests include Brexit & especially the future foreign & security & defence policies of the UK & the EU.

He is the author & editor of eleven books, published over sixty articles & book chapters, on European integration and UK foreign & security policy. He is a lead editor of the *Journal of Common Market Studies* (JCMS). He was elected as an Academician of the *UK Academy of Social Sciences* in 2007 & is the 2017-18 elected Chair of the British International Studies Association (BISA). He has also been appointed as an Academic Fellow of the *European Policy Centre* (EPC).

Professor Whitman is a regular international media commentator & has regularly been called to give evidence to the UK Parliament on UK & EU foreign & security issues.