

# Activities of the Regional Programme Australia and the Pacific 2019

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*Konrad Adenauer (1876-1967)*

# The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung is a political foundation of Germany. Its mission is to promote international dialogue, regional integration, sustainable development, good governance, democratic processes, social market economy and exchange of knowledge. The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung is committed to fostering democracy and the rule of law, to implementing social and market-economic structures and to promoting human rights. Freedom, justice and solidarity are the guiding principles of KAS' work.

As a political foundation, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung is associated with the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) party of Germany and is named after the first Chancellor (Prime Minister) of the Federal Republic of Germany, Konrad Adenauer. Konrad Adenauer embodied christian-social, conservative and liberal traditions. His name symbolises the democratic rebuilding of Germany, the anchoring of German foreign policy in a trans-atlantic community of values, the vision of European unity, and Germany's orientation towards a social market economy.

German political foundations are unique throughout the world. Not many other institutions provide the same expertise in the field of democracy building and dialogue.

With our worldwide networks and long-term partner structures, we aim to shape policies domestically and globally. By training and educating young professionals, KAS promotes the development process in social groups and political parties. The foundation fosters decentralisation processes based on the values of freedom, solidarity and justice by facilitating projects for public institutions in order to enhance their technical and administrative performance.

A pillar of our political work is research and consultancy. This is more than just giving advice on current political affairs. We conduct research on the implications of political developments and support reforms in order to achieve farsighted policies that help to prevent crises from emerging.

Currently KAS is present in around 120 countries, with over 100 offices on six continents. KAS' international activities are coordinated by its Department for European and International Cooperation which includes the organisation of national and international conferences, civic education and political training programs in cooperation with local partners as well as conducting research on matters of international policy relevance. As current global developments – such as the volatile security environment and the fight against terrorism – underscore the common interests of Europe and Australia, KAS aims to foster durable collaboration through dialogue among parliamentarians, politicians, and representatives of leading think tanks, as well as political analysis and consultancy. For the European Union in general and Germany in particular, dialogues with Australia and New Zealand are of special relevance due to our history of strong bilateral and regional relations. Given our shared values, common beliefs and interests, there are manifold opportunities for this partnership.

## A Word from the Director

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2019 has been an eventful year. Europe has seen elections marked by success for the far right, a surge in popularity by the Greens and setbacks for traditional parties across the continent, thereby showing a clear anti-establishment mood. It was also the year of “Brexit Looming” alongside fragmentation and polarisation within the EU.

Given also developments elsewhere, 2019 has clearly demonstrated that liberal democracy is under pressure globally from systemic challenges to existing values and orders which translates into a waning faith in multilateralism and international institutions. On the European level it is thus more important than ever that the new EU Commission has taken up its work with a clear “geopolitical dimension”, having to face new regional security challenges, as well as with a focus on climate protection, digital transformation and solutions to ongoing migration challenges.

In Germany, significant milestones for 2019 were the 70th anniversary of the German Basic Law, our constitution, and the 30th anniversary of the Fall of the Berlin Wall – reminding us also that German reunification would not have been possible without the preceding institutionalisation of the vision of “European Unity”.

It was also the year of the 70th anniversary of NATO, the most comprehensive and, despite the criticism levelled against it, arguably still most powerful

defence alliance in the World. Moreover – although it did not make it into the news much – 2019 also saw the 60th anniversary of the Antarctic Treaty, still an outstanding example of successful multilateralism with knowledge-based, consensus-oriented decision-making processes.

For Australia it was a federal election year, and the ability of the Liberal-National Party coalition to retain power can be seen as a clear vote for economic security and political continuity. And, looking outward, in the area of foreign policy Prime Minister Scott Morrison emphasised Australia's intensified regional partnership as a sign of greater responsibility – in a world in which the balance between strategic engagement and strategic competition in the US-China relationship has shifted. For Australia, as a key player in the Asia-Pacific, questions of regional leadership, institution-building and integration are of paramount importance to ensure continued geopolitical and geo-economic stability, security and prosperity.

This is especially salient against the backdrop of a globalised and interdependent world, where economic well-being, political stability and security are interlinked. For Australia, the security and prosperity of the Asia-Pacific (including the Indo-Pacific and the economic and security integration of the South Pacific region) are of central concern - not only in its wider geographical neighbourhood but also globally. What is happening in the Asia-Pacific does matter to Europe as well.

In this regard, it is encouraging to see ongoing progress in the formalisation of the EU-Australia Free Trade negotiations. A Free Trade Agreement between the EU and New Zealand is also underway, highlighting the increased focus of our two regions to connect and cooperate.

Sadly, New Zealand also experienced the worst mass shooting and act of terrorism in its history with the Christchurch attack in March 2019; this can be seen as the manifestation of a wider global threat of right-wing terrorism as the extreme right is looking across borders for support and inspiration.

In the South Pacific 2019 was – apart from climate change as the major challenge in the region - marked by the rising influence of China, with the Solomon Islands and Kiribati becoming the latest Pacific nations to switch their allegiance from Taiwan to China.

Responding to these global challenges, there is therefore an increased need for bilateral and multilateral cooperation of like-minded nations who can work together to uphold the principles underpinning the liberal architecture. This is done by devising frameworks and policies that reflect this normative foundation and offer solutions to the pressing problems of our time. The Konrad Adenauer Foundation is committed to enhancing understanding of the drivers of these global developments and promote knowledge-sharing and dialogue among key stakeholders in the political process.

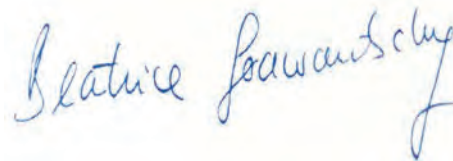
In our third year as an established regional office, we have sought to achieve this by hosting and contributing to a number of theme-focused events in Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific. These ranged from political dialogue programmes to intensify the bilateral relationship between Germany, Australia and New Zealand in the field of Energy Policy and Cyber Security as well as our well-established annual Australia-Europe Counter-Terrorism Dialogue. Other highlights included the third iteration of our annual Konrad Adenauer Lecture Series. We also further expanded our foothold in the South Pacific, by continuing our cooperation with the UNDP Pacific Office on a

programme to support the development of political parties in the region. Additionally, we intensified our support of public policy discussions in the South Pacific through the Pacific Update 2019.

Through a range of accompanying innovative publications and digital news digests, we seek to further deepen an understanding of these issues. This way, we have released two new issues of our 'Periscope' Analysis Paper Series – one on energy security and one cybersecurity, both with a focus on connecting perspectives from Europe and the Asia-Pacific region. An edited collection of insights on counter-terrorism from Germany and Australia has been another project we're proud of this year, especially because it highlights the long-standing cooperation with our partner ASPI. And, on a fortnightly basis our 'Digital Snapshot' brings a brief analysis of relevant current affairs issues from 'down under', including New Zealand and the South Pacific of course, to readers across the miles. Through all these publication initiatives, we seek to contribute to a broadened understanding of the challenges that concern us all in an interconnected world.

As you read on, you will be able to glean an overview of our focus and activities in 2019, a panorama snapshot of how we have sought to bring our regions closer together and contribute towards improving the political dialogue with this part of the world.

When reflecting back on an eventful year we are anticipating an active 2020 and we look forward to working together with you to achieve this goal. My team and I look forward to the New Year and cordially thank all our friends and partners for the great support and cooperation.



**Dr Beatrice Gorawantschy**  
Director Regional Programme  
Australia and the Pacific

# Main Areas of Cooperation in Australia and New Zealand

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## Parliamentary and Political Party Dialogue

Parliaments and political parties are the foundation and essence of every modern democratic system. They fulfil important functions in the legislative and executive components of the separation of powers, but above all, they represent the people and their interests. Germany, Australia and New Zealand are well-established and highly respected parliamentary systems with strong and accountable member parties of the International Democratic Union (IDU). The current global challenges require not only governments to cooperate, but also representatives of parliaments and political parties to have constant theme-oriented exchanges of ideas and experiences. This will allow them to learn from each other, develop coherent and comprehensive strategies, and form alliances.

## Foreign and Security Policy

Globalisation has increased the interconnectedness of people and countries – the impact of political decisions and economic and social developments are increasingly felt in faraway lands. Intense political competition and digital developments have greatly influenced the way we see and understand foreign policy and traditional diplomacy. These complexities have created an increasingly challenging security environment. Efforts to cooperate and mediate rather than confront are thus crucial. Germany's, Australia's, and New Zealand's foreign policies have always been guided by a commitment to multilateralism and regionalism. Key concerns for the three countries to address jointly include peaceful conflict resolution, crisis prevention, disarmament, free trade and economic cooperation, counter-terrorism, cybersecurity, migration issues, and energy security policy.

## Economic and Social Policy

Following a period of immense growth in wealth as a result of free market policies and an increase in global trade, current economic paradigms in the industrialised countries are generating considerably less economic growth. The structural causes of weak growth and sluggish improvements in productivity have to be addressed by the member states of the G20. Keys for future economic growth can be found in the field of automation and data exchange in manufacturing technologies through Industry 4.0, the integration of digital technologies into the daily routine, improved access to innovation and information technologies, as well as start-up activities and the creation of a more crisis-proof global economic order based on the principles of the social market economy.

## Energy and Climate Policy

Energy security and climate change are among the biggest challenges Australia, Germany and New Zealand are facing. In fact, they are global issues that transcend national borders. Yet they are primarily managed at national level. In an endeavour to overcome borders (and distances) and to foster collaboration between like-minded countries, KAS Australia supports the free exchange of policy strategies and innovative ideas. The issues affect the private, public and business sectors alike. They also have a wider impact on foreign and security policy, and give rise to socio-cultural issues. Accordingly, they must be mastered by the political and economic sectors as well as society as a whole. Our measures include, in particular, an annual energy policy dialogue which provides German lawmakers and experts with a forum to meet their Australian and New Zealand counterparts as well as other stakeholders. Other measures include an annual energy policy paper published after the aforementioned dialogue.

## Our Activities in the South Pacific

The issues faced by the South Pacific Island states vary greatly and range from weak consciousness of nationhood (e.g. the Solomon Islands) to weak democracy and related issues. Of the South Pacific Islands, only one has achieved the status of a developed nation to date (Cook Islands). The Boe Declaration on Regional Security issued by the Pacific Islands Forum's leaders' meeting in 2018 reaffirms that climate change remains the single greatest threat to the region. KAS Australia and the Pacific therefore aims to address a range of development policy issues, with a focus on the

United Nations' sustainable development goals, in particular, peace, justice and strong institutions (SDG 16). More precisely, KAS Australia seeks to promote institution building and regional integration as well as the development of broad-based political parties throughout the region. Our regular activities include an annual regional political parties' conference in cooperation with UNDP Pacific Office in Fiji. We also support the ANU's Development Policy Centre's annual Pacific Update, a multidisciplinary conference and premier forum to discuss various public policy issues of concern to the region.



## A Selection of our 2019 Activities

# New Challenges for Political Parties and Liberal Democracies in Changing Times

*Canberra, Sydney – Australia*

*Christchurch, Wellington – New Zealand*

*10 to 20 February 2019*

### Political Dialogue Programme with Dr Klaus Schueler

In February 2019, KAS Australia & Pacific was delighted to welcome Dr Klaus Schueler, the (then) Federal Managing Director of the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) who also served as Chancellor Angela Merkel's longstanding campaign-manager. This marked Dr Schueler's second visit to Australia and New Zealand. He was accompanied by Frank Priess, Deputy Head, Department for European & International Cooperation, KAS Germany.

In Australia, they met with Finance Minister Mathias Cormann, Education Minister Dan Tehan, (the then) Assistant Minister for Home Affairs, Linda Reynolds (now Defence Minister) and representatives from

the Liberal Party. The focus of the meetings was on the German-Australian bilateral relationship, electoral laws in Germany and Australia, as well as election campaign strategies. They also participated in roundtable discussions with experts from think tanks and academia, as well as the diplomatic corps. This included a discussion at the ANU Centre for European Studies on the topic of 'Liberal Democracy Staying the Course Amidst Changing Political Tides' and an exchange with leading business representatives from the German-Australian Chamber of Industry and Commerce on the political situation in Germany and future prospects for German-Australian relations.



*ABOVE: Roundtable discussion at the ANU Centre for European Studies (ANUCES); Dr Klaus Schueler (centre), then Federal Managing Director of the Christian Democratic Union, and Mr Frank Priess (on the left), Deputy Head of the Department for European and International Cooperation KAS Germany, together with representatives from the German & French Embassy, Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), The Australian National University (ANU) and KAS Australia & the Pacific.*



In New Zealand, the delegation exchanged views with the National Party (and opposition) leader, Simon Bridges, and other board and party members of the CDU's partner party. Notably, Dr Schueler was invited to address the National Party's Caucus. There was also a vivid exchange of thoughts with representatives from academia on foreign and

security policy issues, including the role of China in the region.

The Dialogue highlighted a political will, and de facto need for closer cooperation between partner parties and like-minded countries to tackle global challenges.

Canberra & Sydney, Australia



**TOP LEFT:** Meeting with Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, Minister for Finance (2nd from the right)

**TOP RIGHT:** Meeting with Senator the Hon Linda Reynolds CSC, then Assistant Minister for Home Affairs (2nd from the right)

**BOTTOM LEFT:** Meeting with the Hon Dan Tehan MP, Minister for Education (2nd from the left)

**BOTTOM RIGHT:** The delegation at NSW Parliament House with Jonathan O'Dea MP, then Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier and Treasurer (2nd from the left)

Wellington, New Zealand



**ABOVE:** Meeting with the Hon Simon Bridges MP, National Party Leader (3rd from the right)

**ABOVE:** Dr Klaus Schueler addressing National Party Caucus

## ASPI-KAS Cybersecurity Fellowship

### Exchanging Knowledge and Enhancing Cooperation

*February – March 2019*

Following our established cooperation with the Australian Strategic Policy Institute (ASPI), this new fellowship will twice a year allow a cybersecurity expert from Europe to spend three to eight weeks at ASPI's International Cybersecurity Policy Centre. The aim is to pool expertise, exchange knowledge with ASPI analysts and generate policy papers on current cybersecurity challenges that are of common interest to Australia and Germany/Europe.

Our first fellow, who was at ASPI from the end of February to the middle of March was Ms Isabel Skierka, a research analyst and advisor with the Digital Society Institute at ESMT Berlin. The fellowship included for instance a roundtable at ASPI's International Cyber Policy Centre where Ms Skierka shared her expertise on European cybersecurity & supply chain challenges, data & privacy and the 5G dilemma. She also published a policy brief with ASPI titled "Germany takes the middle way on Huawei – for now".



*ABOVE: Roundtable on European cybersecurity & supply chain challenges, data & privacy and the 5G dilemma at ASPI, with Ms Isabel Skierka (middle)*

# Political Dialogue Programme with Mark Hauptmann

## PM Fellowship for Member of the German Bundestag

In April 2019, Mark Hauptmann, Member of the German Bundestag (MP), was selected by the New Zealand Government as a rising political leader and given the opportunity to visit New Zealand as a PM's Fellow.

In an endeavour to enhance his experience and to strengthen the bilateral relations between Germany and New Zealand, KAS Australia organised two high profile events together with its local partners in Wellington. At a Luncheon Discussion held in cooperation with The New Zealand Initiative on current political and economic challenges in Germany and Europe, MP Mark Hauptmann met with representatives from the local business community. The discussion evolved around the

*Wellington – New Zealand 15 – 16 April 2019*

implications of Brexit, the European elections, the German electoral system and its rules on social media, the free trade negotiations between Europe and New Zealand as well as the German perspective of China's new role in the world. The Roundtable Discussion held in cooperation with The Asia New Zealand Foundation focused on the German and European relations with Asia. The MP emphasised to the unbroken dynamics in, and the need to reach out to, Asia. The participants encouraged greater European engagement in the Pacific and raised various issues including China's Belt & Road Initiative. There was a consensus on the need for like-minded countries to cooperate in times of global challenges.



*ABOVE: Participants of the Roundtable Discussion in cooperation with the New Zealand Initiative*



*ABOVE LEFT: Luncheon Discussion in cooperation with the NZ Initiative: Dr Oliver Hartwich introduces MP Mark Hauptmann*



*ABOVE RIGHT: Roundtable Discussion in cooperation with the Asia New Zealand Foundation: impulse statement by MP Mark Hauptmann*

## 54th Otago Foreign Policy School

### Economic Policy in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities

In June 2019, KAS Australia supported for the third time the University of Otago's Foreign Policy School in Dunedin. The School provides a forum for discussion of current challenges and possible policy solutions. The 54th School focussed on trade and global imbalances, income polarisation, health,

*Dunedin – New Zealand 28 – 30 June 2019*

environment and energy as well as financial markets. The event attracted again this year participants from various backgrounds including the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, other government bodies, academics, NGOs, journalists and representatives from the broader public.



*ABOVE: Welcome remarks by Dr Dennis Wesselbaum, Director of the OFPS 2019*



*ABOVE: Prof Mark Howden – Director, Climate Change Institute, ANU*

# SDG 16 in the Pacific

## Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

In May 2019, KAS Australia supported the launch of the Institute for Economics & Peace's (IEP) Report on SDG 16 in the Pacific - Strengthening and Legitimising Institutions to Achieve Sustainable Development in Suva. The Report identifies (un)available data from the Pacific Island States and highlights the need for the collection and use of such data to ensure informed policy decisions.

Suva 6 May 2019

The participants included representatives from the Fijian Prime Minister's Office, UNDP's Pacific Office as well as local and regional NGOs. Thanks to KAS Australia's support, IEP was also able to present an outcome document on the launch of the report at the UN High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development in July 2019. like-minded countries to cooperate in times of global challenges.

## Outcome Document: Measuring and implementing SDG 16 in the Pacific

Author(s): Institute for Economics & Peace (Sydney)

Following the launch of the Institute for Economic & Peace's (IEP) research report on SDG 16 in the Pacific – Strengthening and Legitimising Institutions to Achieve Sustainable Development in Suva, IEP with KAS Australia's support produced an outcome document of this event. The brief explores some of the initiatives across the region to measure progress and to strengthen institutions and was presented at the United Nations High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.

<https://www.kas.de/en/web/australien/single-title/-/content/iep-sdg-16-in-the-pacific-outcome-document>

## Measuring and implementing SDG16 in the Pacific



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**SUMMARY**

The Pacific faces unique challenges in delivering on the UN Sustainable Development Agenda 2030. Strong public institutions and political parties are essential for responding to the agenda's goals in the region. Limited resources necessitates prioritising efforts, and meaningful data on Sustainable Development Goal 16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions (SDG16) is a critical entry point.

This brief explores some of the initiatives across the region to both measure progress on and strengthen institutions. This is an outcome document of an event held on 6 May 2019 at the University of the South Pacific in Suva, Fiji, which explored challenges to measuring and implementing SDG16 addressing peace, justice and strong institutions. The Institute for Economics & Peace (IEP) produced this document with the support of Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Regional Programme - Australia and the Pacific (KAS Australia).

**CHALLENGE**

Significant environmental, demographic and socio-economic change is predicted in the Pacific region in the coming years. Some of these include:

- **Internal challenges:** Physical and sexual violence
  - The percentage of women in Kiribati, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tonga, the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu who have reported experiences of gender based violence in their life averaged between 60-80 per cent.
  - There has been internal conflict in the Solomon Islands and Bougainville, as well as election-related violence across Papua New Guinea (specifically Highlands, Guadalcanal, Central and Western provinces).
- **Zoanotic challenges:** Low population, low land fertility, low ability to tap into economies of scale, limited income and geographic isolation
  - The Pacific has the population of 11.4 million - the equivalent of metropolitan Paris - in 21 countries and territories spread across one-third of the globe.
  - It has a quarter of the world's spoken languages and is the most geographically and culturally diverse region in the world.
  - There is limited arable land: all arable land across the Pacific would be able to fit into Fiji three times.



Data source: UN Women (2018)

UN Women, "Ending Violence Against Women & Girls Evidence, Data and Knowledge in the Pacific Island Countries" 2nd Edition 2017 <https://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2017/09/2017-09-20-Ending-Violence-Against-Women-2nd-Edition> (Accessed 11 June 2019)

## 2nd Australia-Germany 1.5 Track Cybersecurity Dialogue

*Berlin – Germany; Brussels – Belgium*

*24 – 28 June 2019*

After the success of our first Australia-Germany Cybersecurity Dialogue in Canberra in 2018, for the 2019 dialogue we took a group of Australian experts to Berlin and Brussels. The delegation engaged in theme-focused roundtables and bilateral meetings at relevant ministries and institutions to examine current challenges and how to best manage them through multifaceted approaches and bi-lateral/ multi-lateral cooperation.

As value partners, Germany and Australia share a similar overall approach based on their common value basis but how 'Cybersecurity is done' at the policy level varies – and it is important to examine the key differences in these approaches in order to capture the nuances and multi-faceted nature of these perspectives.

For this reason, a variety of institutions and viewpoints were selected – in Germany this included relevant government departments (such as the Ministry of the Interior, Ministry of Defence and the Federal Chancellery), the Bundestag, think tanks and industry (the Federation of German Industries). In Brussels, meetings were held with for example the Office of the EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator, the European Commission (Directorate-General Communications Network, Content and Technology), various policy experts, academics and also industry representatives as well as NATO headquarters (Cyber Defence Section).



*ABOVE: With Parliamentary State Secretary Prof. Dr. Günter Krings MP at the Ministry of the Interior (4th from the right)*



*ABOVE: With the Australian Ambassador to Germany in Berlin HE Ms Lynette Wood (2nd from left) on the roof of the Reichstag*

The focus was on how to best manage emerging challenges based on strategic assessments and solutions that are responsive to the respective geopolitical, socio-political and economic contexts from which they arise. In particular, one key objective was to assess how Australia and Germany/Europe may take similar or different approaches, looking at the varied circumstances they may encounter in specific areas. Accordingly, the value of the meetings lies in an exchange of perspectives especially when there are diverging approaches such as for example in the German and Australian policy responses to the

rollout of 5G and the management of so-called 'high/ risk' vendors.

The Australian experts included Dr Leslie Seebeck - Chief Executive of the Australian National University's (ANU) new Cyber Institute; Fergus Hanson - Director of the Australian Strategic Policy Institute's (ASPI) International Cyber Policy Centre; Rachael Falk - Chief Executive of the Australian Cyber Research Council; & Prof Lyria Bennett Moses - Director of the Allen's Hub for Technology, Law & Innovation at the University of New South Wales (UNSW).



*LEFT: At the German Bundestag with MP Tankred Schipanski, Spokesperson for Digital Affairs at the CDU/CSU faction (on the far right)*

*BELOW: With the Australian Ambassador to Belgium in Brussels HE Mr Justin Brown (3rd from the left)*



# The European Australian Business Council (EABC) and German-Australian Chamber of Industry and Commerce (GACIC) 2019 Business Mission

Event at the German Federal Parliament in cooperation with KAS

*Berlin – Germany June 2019*

The European Australian Business Council (EABC) together with the German-Australian Chamber of Industry and Commerce (GACIC) visited Germany in June 2019 to discuss key political, business and finance topics.

The delegation's visit – which was supported by Federal Finance Minister, Senator Mathias Cormann, former NSW Premier and EABC President, Nick Greiner & GACIC Chairman and Siemens Australia CEO Jeff Connolly – aimed to deepen Australia's understanding of global trade and economic developments and the impact of Brexit.

The delegation also had the opportunity to meet the German Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy, Peter Altmaier and leaders in German industry

and finance whereby important topics such as the German-Australian bilateral trade and investment relationship, especially in regard to the current EU-Australia Free Trade Agreement was discussed.

Part of the visit was a Luncheon-Discussion for the members of GACIC/EABC delegation on the premises of the German Bundestag hosted by KAS together with MP Volkmar Klein, Chair of the Parliamentary Friendship Group.

In addition, a meeting between Nick Greiner, who is also serving as President of the Liberal Party of Australia was organised at the Foundation's Headquarters in Berlin in which current economic and energy policy challenges in both countries were discussed.



**ABOVE:** Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann, Minister for Finance with MP Volkmar Klein



**RIGHT:** Senator the Hon Mathias Cormann addressing the EABC/GACIC Luncheon-Discussion participants after a welcome by Dr Peter Fischer-Bollin, KAS Deputy Head, Department European and International Cooperation (left) and MP Volkmar Klein (right)





*ABOVE: Nick Greiner, EABC President and President Liberal Party of Australia (3rd from right) with Prof. Dr. Friedbert Pflueger, Director EUCERS (3rd from left) and (far left) Frank Priess, Deputy Head, Department European and International Cooperation, KAS Berlin*

## German-Pacific Parliamentary Group Visit to Wellington



*Wellington – New Zealand  
6 March 2019*

On the occasion of the visit of the German Pacific Parliamentary Friendship Group of the German Bundestag to New Zealand, Dr. Beatrice Gorawantschy met in Wellington with MP Volkmar Klein – Head of the Parliamentary Friendship Group

and Spokesperson of the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group for Economic Cooperation and Development – as well as with MP Gisela Manderla, member of the Foreign Affairs and Defense Committees in the German Federal Parliament.

## Pacific Update

### Public Policy Challenges and Opportunities

Suva 3 – 5 July 2019

In July 2019, ANU's Development Policy Centre – with the support of KAS Australia and the Pacific, the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) – held its annual Pacific Update in Suva. The Update is a multidisciplinary conference which was inaugurated in 2012 and initially held in Canberra.

The conference has since grown into being the premier forum for policy issues in the Pacific. The event provided academics, experts and members of the public with the opportunity to discuss a range of policy issues of concern to the region, including governance, climate change and labour mobility.



**ABOVE:** Welcome remarks by Prof. Pal Ahluwalia – Vice Chancellor, USP

**ABOVE:** Keynote speaker Dr Stephen Howes – Director, Development Policy Centre, ANU

**ABOVE:** Keynote speech by Leituala Kuiniselani Toelupe Tago-Elisara – Director, Social Development Programme, Pacific Community (SPC)



**ABOVE:** Volunteers in front of the auditorium

## Keynote Speech by The Honourable Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier of New South Wales at KAS in Berlin

*Berlin – Germany 16 August 2019*

The Konrad Adenauer Foundation hosted the Honourable Gladys Berejiklian MP, Premier of New South Wales for a keynote speech at the Academy of KAS in Berlin. The Premier was on a trade mission to the UK and Germany with the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney, Stuart Ayres, exploring innovative partnership options for NSW.

She outlined an ambitious agenda for her state focused on community-centred infrastructure, and transforming the state to be at the centre of health and medtech, science and research, financial services, fintech, aerospace and defence system,

agribusiness and agritech. In essence the Premier outlined that NSW would benefit from increased investment by German and European enterprise. Dr Gerhard Wahlers, Deputy Secretary General, KAS Berlin, highlighted the great cooperation between Germany and Australia and stated that, “especially NSW has been noted as a key stakeholder” for a flourishing collaboration between the two countries.

Lastly, the Hon Gladys Berejiklian applauded the tight-knit cooperation between innovative talent originating and fostered by German Universities and how this academic knowledge is directly translated into the workplace hence stimulating the economy.



**ABOVE LEFT:** Group photo with the Hon Stuart Laurence Ayres MP, Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney, Mr Thomas Yoshimura, Desk Officer for Japan, Korea, Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific, KAS Berlin, the Hon Gladys Berejiklian (centre), Dr Gerhard Wahlers Deputy Secretary General, KAS Berlin, HE Ms Lynette Wood, Australian Ambassador to Germany (from left to right)



**ABOVE:** the Hon Gladys Berejiklian, Premier of NSW delivering her keynote speech at KAS HQ

## Regional Political Parties Conference

### Creating Inclusive Political Parties in the Pacific

*Honiara – Solomon Islands  
17 – 19 September 2019*

In September 2019, the third UNDP Regional Political Parties Conference in cooperation with KAS was held in Honiara. The conference was dedicated to “creating inclusive political parties”. There were round about 100 participants, including members of political parties and parliaments, representatives of regulatory bodies and electoral commissions as well as NGOs (from the host country, the Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Tonga, Samoa and Vanuatu). The participants were briefed about possible strategies for the inclusion of women, youth and marginalised groups into

political parties’ activities. They were also given the opportunity to develop national strategies in individual working groups. The role of regulatory bodies and electoral commissions for inclusiveness was also discussed. The keynote speaker, Senator Kalani English from Hawaii, spoke to the inclusion of indigenous people. In the words of one of the speakers: Political parties must be inclusive for them to win elections – subject of course to other country specific issues that must be overcome to achieve true inclusiveness.



*ABOVE: Conference participants group photo*

## 2nd KAS-EUCERS Energy Policy Dialogue

### Energy Strategies: Germany, New Zealand and Australia – A Comparative Approach

*Auckland, Wellington – New Zealand  
Sydney – Australia 7 – 11 October 2019*

In October 2019, the 2nd Energy Policy Dialogue was implemented in collaboration with the European Centre for Energy and Resources Security (EUCERS). The Dialogue brought together German, New Zealand and Australian lawmakers and energy policy experts from government, industry, academia and civil society to discuss current and future energy strategies.

The Dialogue included three main events:

(1) A CEOs Roundtable in cooperation with the German-New Zealand Chamber of Commerce in Auckland, where the German delegation discussed renewable energy and energy efficiency with the local business community as well as the National Party of New Zealand's spokespersons for energy policy and agriculture.

(2) A Roundtable Discussion in cooperation with the New Zealand Institute of International Affairs, the New Zealand Business Energy Council and the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) in Wellington during which the delegates

debated the trilemma of balancing energy security, affordability & environmental sustainability in Germany and New Zealand.

(3) A Breakfast Panel Discussion in cooperation with the German-Australian Chamber of Industry and Commerce as well as Bird & Bird in Sydney, which provided the delegation with an opportunity to exchange their views on current energy policy challenges for their respective country. One of the key conclusions of the Dialogue is that there is scope for the three countries to cooperate, for example, in regards to the import of technology for the generation of renewable energy and export of any excess energy in the form of hydrogen.

Another highlight of the Dialogue was the "New Zealand North Island Energy Infrastructure Tour" jointly organised by GNZCC and EECA. The Tour included the visit of a hydro power station and a geothermal power station where the delegation was briefed on energy generation in the Northern part of New Zealand.



**ABOVE:** The delegation at the German-New Zealand Chamber of Commerce (GNZCC). CEO **Monique Surges** (centre), Mr **Todd Muller MP** (on the far left) & the **Hon Jonathan Young, MP** (2nd from the left back row) with representatives of the New Zealand business community

## Sydney, Australia



*ABOVE LEFT: GACIC Breakfast Discussion – Panel*



*ABOVE RIGHT: Luncheon Discussion with EABC Board Members*

## Auckland, Wellington &amp; Rotorua, New Zealand



*ABOVE LEFT: GNZCC CEOs Roundtable in Auckland*



*ABOVE RIGHT: NZIIA, BZBEC and EECA Luncheon Discussion – Panel*



*BOTTOM LEFT: Ngatamariki Geothermal Power Station (facilities)*



*BOTTOM RIGHT: Dinner discussion with the Hon Murray McCully, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of New Zealand and other representatives & MPs of the National Party*

## 5th Australia-Europe Counter-Terrorism Dialogue

### Terrorism Realities Old and New: Assessing Continuing and Evolving Challenges

*Berlin – Germany; Brussels – Belgium  
14 – 18 October 2019*

Breaking down new and ongoing issues, this dialogue – in its 5th iteration already – sought to address contemporary terrorism challenges through a combination of roundtables, an in-depth seminar and meetings at various relevant institutions and ministries in Berlin and Brussels, as well as the German and European Parliament. Dedicated to ‘terrorism realities’ old and new, its aim was specifically to foster knowledge exchange on continuing and emerging forms of terrorism and violent extremism.

The ASPI-KAS Australia Europe counter-terrorism dialogue is the fruit of a wonderful cooperation between our regional KAS program and the Australian Strategy Policy Institute (ASPI). This annual 1.5 Track Dialogue was initiated in 2015 when the directors of ASPI and KAS recognised that Australia and Europe shared similar challenges in countering violent extremism (CVE) – and yet no forum existed for those involved in combatting these issues to share their views, develop better understandings and explore how cooperation could be strengthened. Proving to be a winning formula, this laid the groundwork for a number of successful seminars and thought-provoking exchanges – held

interchangeably in either Australia or Germany/ Europe to allow for an ongoing exchange between experts and practitioners from both regions.

In its tried-and-proven format, the 2019 dialogue once again brought together policy makers, representatives from relevant government institutions, academic experts and practitioners from Australia, Germany and other European countries for frank discussions in roundtables, an in-depth seminar and bilateral meetings.

Following the Christchurch attack, it is becoming increasingly clear that in order to fully grasp today's realities of terrorism, it is necessary to cast the net wider; this means examining specific trends, both emerging and continuing as they manifest themselves across the ideological spectrum. The German Member of Parliament, Prof Dr. Patrick Sensburg as well as Nick Kaldas, A.P.M. M.A.I.C.D, former NSW Deputy Police Commissioner and Senior Fellow at ASP gave the keynote addresses for the opening reception of the dialogue which was dedicated exclusively to right-wing terrorism to highlight the increasing importance of this phenomenon.



ABOVE: The Seminar participants at the Academy of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung in Berlin



*ABOVE: Prof. Dr. Patrick Sensburg, Member of the German Bundestag, giving the keynote address at the official opening*



*CENTRE: Mr Nick Kaldas A.P.M. M.A.I.C.D., former NSW Deputy Police Commissioner and Senior Fellow at ASP, giving the keynote from the Australian perspective*



*ABOVE: Frank Priess, Deputy Head, Department for European & International Cooperation KAS Berlin, delivering the welcome remarks*



*ABOVE: The delegation at NATO HQ in Brussels*



## Australia Institute of International Affairs (AIIA) National Conference

### 'New Agendas for a New Era'

Canberra – Australia 14 October 2019

KAS Australia and Pacific supported this year's Australian Institute of International Affairs' (AIIA) National Conference themed 'New Agendas for a New Era'. The Conference was divided into three major panel discussions. Panel one 'A New Cold War?', included a thought provoking discourse on the growing competition between the US and China and questioned Australia's place within it. Panel two 'New Technology', discerned how technology is changing foreign affairs, diplomacy and security. Panel three 'The Health of the Planet', tackled environmental challenges and their impact on international affairs. The panelists raised various issues including threats posed by climate change, the importance of the oceans' health, circular economy and the need for regional and international cooperation in regards to global health issues.



ABOVE: Chair of the keynote session: Zara Kimpton OAM

## Roundtable with Dr Michito Tsuruoka at the College of Asia and Pacific at the ANU

### Post-INF Treaty Challenges in the Asia-Pacific

Canberra – Australia 13 November 2019

We had the great pleasure of co-hosting a roundtable (in cooperation with Professor Stephan Fruehling from the ANU's College of Asia and Pacific) on the occasion of Dr Michito Tsuruoka's visit to Canberra.

Dr Tsuruoka, an Associate Professor at Keio University in Japan and expert in international security, defence and foreign policy, European relations and nuclear policy visited Australia on invitation of the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The roundtable, chaired by Prof Fruehling, provided a forum for a small group of experts to discuss post-INF challenges in Asia. Dr Tsuruoka outlined the challenges that Japan and other countries in the region face in the wake of the end of the INF treaty.



ABOVE: Prof. Stephan Fruehling, ANU College of Asia & Pacific, Dr Michito Tsuruoka, Associate Professor at Keio University in Japan (centre), Dr Beatrice Gorawantschy (KAS)

## 3rd Konrad Adenauer Lecture and Dialogue Program with Elmar Brok (MEP ret'd)

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### 'Quo Vadis Europe? – Questions of Identity, Sovereignty, Responsibility'

*Canberra, Sydney – Australia  
27 November – 1 December 2019*

The European Parliament's long-standing member Elmar Brok celebrated the intellectual legacy of Germany's first Chancellor and his vision for a united Europe as he delivered the 3rd annual Konrad-Adenauer Lecture.

how it is placed to deliver on the President Elect's vision. 'No more war, no more dictatorships' – those founding goals, Mr Brok reminded the audience, are still deeply relevant and in fact crucial in a changing world order.

The Konrad Adenauer Lecture Series is dedicated to enhancing understanding of Europe and Germany in Australia and the wider region. The initiative is the culmination of a longstanding partnership between the ANU Centre for European Studies and KAS Australia & Pacific. Distinguished keynote speaker for the 2019 lecture was Elmar Brok, Member of the European Parliament from 1980-2019.

Titled 'Quo Vadis Europe? Questions of Identity, Sovereignty and Responsibility', Mr Brok concluded with reflecting on the driving values behind the EU and its enduring relevance in a changing world – not just economically but more so politically.

Mr Brok's tour-de-force lecture delved into questions of strategic sovereignty, external and internal socio-political and economic cohesion, as well as capability to preserve, and even enhance multilateralism. Since its inception, the EU has been a resounding success story. The European unity project has created an enduring foundation for prosperity and above all, democratic peace. However, for the past decade, Europe has faced significant challenges to its geopolitical, social and economic foundations. This has led analysts and policy-makers to argue that Europe is indeed 'at a cross-road', prompting questions about Europe's future trajectory and its capacity to continue to act coherently, autonomously and in accordance with its founding principles. The European Commission President-Elect Ursula von der Leyen recently signalled the vision of 'a stronger Europe in the World'. With Brexit looming, this lecture reflected on where Europe is headed and

Following Mr Brok's lecture, Mr David Ritchie AO, former Australian Ambassador to Germany and Distinguished Research Fellow at the ANU Centre for European Studies built on Mr Brok's confident outlook that the EU would go forward and thrive despite current obstacles. Mr Ritchie also highlighted the role of the EU as a fundamental building block – not only for economic prosperity but especially for global security, echoing German Chancellor Angela Merkel's admonition for 'peace, freedom and prosperity', he concluded that the world needed these as urgently as ever – and in this particular order.

The lecture was followed by a dialogue program in Canberra and Sydney where Mr Brok was able to exchange perspectives on current security challenges as well as political and economic prospects with political leaders, senior government representatives and members of the business community.



**ABOVE LEFT:** Quo Vadis, Europe? Mr Elmar Brok giving an optimistic outlook



**TOP RIGHT:** Distinguished guests at the lecture: (from left to right) Dr Andreas Radtke, Counsellor/Deputy Head of Mission German Embassy, Prof. Jacqueline Lo, Executive Director of the Centre for European Studies (ANUCES), David Ritchie AO, Former Australian Ambassador to Germany, Mr Elmar Brok, the Hon Margaret Reid, Former Senate



President, Dr Beatrice Gorawantschy, Director KAS Australia & Pacific, the Hon Ben Morton, Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister and Cabinet

**BOTTOM RIGHT:** Mr Elmar Brok in conversation with Mark Kenny (middle), Senior Fellow at the Australian Studies Institute, ANU and David Ritchie AO



**TOP LEFT:** With the Minister of Defence, the Hon Senator Linda Reynolds and EU Ambassador to Australia, Dr Michael Pulch (3rd and 5th from left)



**TOP RIGHT:** With Sen the Hon Eric Abetz (middle), Senate Chair of Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade Legislation Committee



**BOTTOM:** Mr Elmar Brok with the Minister of Finance, the Hon Sen Mathias Cormann (4th and 5th from the left)

## Conference: Geostrategic Futures in the Southern Ocean and Antarctica at the ANU

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Supporting a Project by the Climate and Sustainability Research Group at Flinders University

*Canberra 5 – 6 December 2019*

KAS Australia & Pacific was very pleased to be able to cooperate with the Climate and Sustainability Research Group at Flinders University by supporting their two-day conference/workshop on 'Gеоstrategic Futures in the Southern Ocean and Antarctica'.

This is especially salient as the existing Antarctic Treaty System – to which Australia and New Zealand belong – may end in 2048, raising important questions about a forward-looking approach to emerging issues regarding governance, diplomacy and exploitation.

Amidst rising global resource pressures and great power competition, the Antarctic and Southern Ocean Region is emerging as an area of strategic significance, with geopolitical competition impacting on regional security and stability. Identifying challenges and seeking solutions for the management of the circumpolar South under conditions of rapid political, social and environmental change is therefore a strategic interest in line with Australia's 2016 Defence White Paper. Similarly, Antarctic geopolitics are increasingly being recognised as constituting an important part of New Zealand's foreign and security policy.

Based on the recognition that similar dynamics are taking place in the Arctic region, this conference took a comparative approach to harness learning from international policies and institutions that have developed to manage a changing Arctic, and synthesise lessons learnt for the Antarctic and Southern Ocean. This way, the event facilitated dialogue among academics, policy-makers, defence personnel and scientists to identify political, scientific, economic and environmental challenges for managing future maritime operations in Antarctic territories.



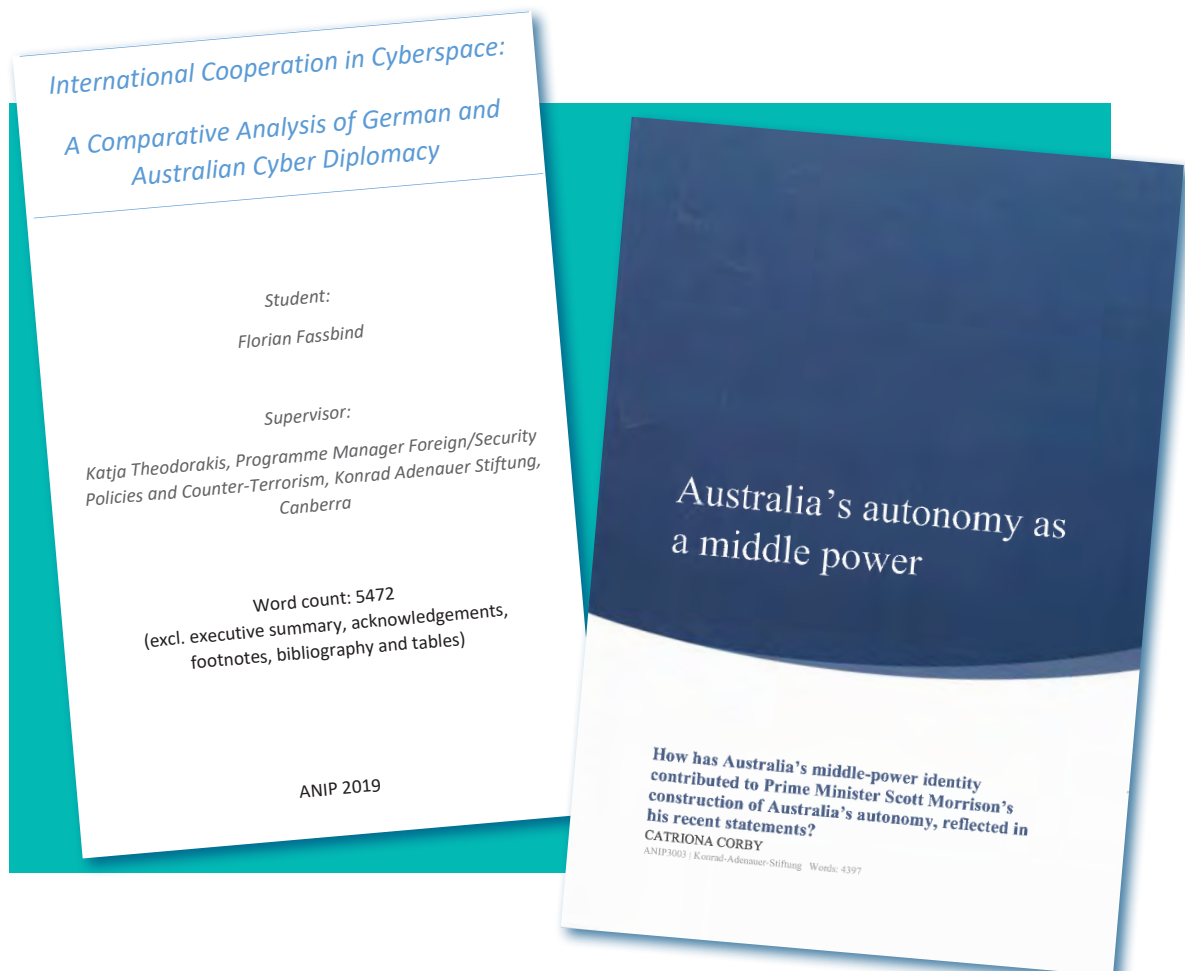
*ABOVE: Prof. Christian Leuprecht, Royal Military College, Canada & Charles Sturt University, Australia*

# Australian National University's Internship Program (ANIP)

In 2019, we were very happy to again be able to support the Australian National University's Internship Program by hosting two talented, hard-working and thoughtful interns for 10-day placements at KAS Australia and the Pacific. The Australian National Internships Program (ANIP) is an extended workplace-based program that allows students to develop their research and professional skills. It provides students with the opportunity to undertake a significant research project within a

work place in national institutions (eg. government departments and agencies), peak industry bodies and organisations, public policy-focused NGOs, or international organisations (eg. embassies).

We are thankful to have had Catriona and Florian with us this year, they were both making great contributions to our team and produced fantastic research reports at the end – one on Australia's foreign policy and one on cybersecurity respectively.



**Periscope:** This occasional analysis paper series seeks to bring together perspectives from Germany, Europe and the Australia/Pacific region to augment our understanding of contemporary geopolitical and security issues as well as energy, economic and social policy matters. Just like the real-world sighting instrument, 'Periscope' is meant to broaden our views by taking in perspectives from different angles.

## Periscope – Occasional Analysis Paper Series Vol. 2

by Katja Theodorakis and Dr. Clint Arizmendi

### Cyber Security in a Contested Age – Geopolitical Challenges and Opportunities for Australia and Germany

The second edition of the 'Periscope' series deals with the topic of cyber security. The publication originated as a result of the '1st Australia Germany 1.5 Track Cyber Security Dialogue' held in Canberra in June 2018 – not a direct summary of the proceedings but it draws on and further develops some of the key themes of the Dialogue.

Questions at the forefront of policy-making debate query how governments can keep up with technology industry innovation that often outpaces, if not drives, military adaptation. How can deterrence and attribution be used effectively – from a national security perspective – against a backdrop of societies that seek to be increasingly anonymous and where privacy legislation, such as the GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation), has global implications for governments and the private sector alike?



Australia and Germany share similar challenges and approaches in this field while at the same time, the two countries' cyber security strategies also differ on a number of aspects. Therefore, to compare and contrast approaches is seen as fruitful for gaining a deeper understanding of the problem-set and what can be done about it. Ultimately, the analysis paper demonstrates that in order to effectively manage and mitigate within a cyber ecosystem, a combination of political leverage, diplomacy, dialogue and deterrence is required in order to safeguard State sovereignty.

<https://www.kas.de/en/web/australien/periscope-occasional-analysis-paper-series/detail/-/content/cyber-security-in-a-contested-age-geopolitical-challenges-and-opportunities-for-australia-and-german>

## Future Periscope Publications

### Cybersecurity Challenges Opportunities for Australia and Europe

We are anticipating the release of the 3rd and 4th editions of our Periscope Series for the first quarter of 2020, one issue focusing on Cybersecurity Challenges/Opportunities for Australia and Europe. The Cyber publication will be an edited volume bringing together experts' perspectives from Australia and Europe – topics include for instance: how to deal with malicious cyber attacks, safeguarding critical infrastructure, or Germany and Australia's responses to high-risk vendors in the construction of the 5G network.

### Germany, New Zealand and the South Pacific – A Collaborative Approach

The 4th edition of the Periscope is published following the 2nd KAS-EUCERS Energy Policy Dialogue: Energy Strategies: Germany, New Zealand and Australia – A Comparative Approach. The working title is **"Energy M/matters" in Australia, Germany, New Zealand and the South Pacific – A Collaborative Approach**. While the publication may draw on the main topics discussed during the Dialogue (renewable energy and energy efficiency, energy security and current energy policy challenges), it will not be restricted to them.

## Special Report: 4th ASPI-KAS Australia-Europe Counter-Terrorism Dialogue 'Shifting frontiers: Addressing Post-Caliphate Terrorism Dynamics'

by Katja Theodorakis and Dr Isaac Kfir

A Special Report detailing the findings of our 4th Australia-Europe Counter-Terrorism Dialogue, published in cooperation with the Australian Strategic Policy Institute (ASPI).

This publication covers the key themes of the Dialogue, titled 'Shifting Frontiers: Addressing Post-Caliphate Terrorism Dynamics', which were deliberately chosen to reflect contemporary trends. The overarching purpose is to capture the main ideas discussed at the dialogue and link them to wider policy-relevant debates. The various contributions by participants from Australia and Germany illustrate this breadth of perspectives.

Despite military victory over the Islamic State in Syria and Iraq, where the group has lost 98% of its territory, it is important to evaluate whether there are new potential geopolitical hotspots arising and how threat dynamics evolve and intersect at the global, regional and local level. Understanding cooperation among terrorist actors, the shift to informal networks as well as on-and offline radicalization and networking are emerging topics



in this area, highlighting the need for whole-of-government, soft-power approaches to deal with violent extremism in its various forms.

<https://www.kas.de/en/web/australien/single-title/-/content/special-report-4th-aspi-kas-australia-europe-counter-terrorism-dialogue>

## KAS AusPacific Digital Snapshot

This is a potpourri of current affairs topics from Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific brought to you by KAS Australia and the Pacific. Every fortnight, this digital snapshot showcases selected media and think tank articles to give a panorama view of the public debate in the Australia-Pacific region.

The views expressed in these articles do not necessarily reflect the position of KAS Australia and the Pacific. Rather, they are selected to give an overview of the various topics and perspectives which dominate public and political discussions.



Our digital snapshots are available under the following links: [www.kas.de/web/australien/news-angebot-kas-aspacific-digital-snapshot](http://www.kas.de/web/australien/news-angebot-kas-aspacific-digital-snapshot) [www.facebook.com/KAS.canberra](https://www.facebook.com/KAS.canberra)

## Meet the Team



**Dr Beatrice  
Gorawantschy**

**Director Regional Programme  
Australia and the Pacific**

"Having been posted to various offices of the international network of KAS – in Ankara, Manila, Bangkok, Paris, New Delhi and Singapore – it is an exciting challenge and great privilege to head a new Regional Programme on a new continent!"



**Katja Theodorakis**

**Programme Manager Foreign/  
Security Policy and Counter-  
Terrorism**

"My background is in research, in the field of terrorism, Middle East politics, ideology and national security issues. It's exciting for me to apply this knowledge to my work, especially in the area of enhancing cooperation between our two regions."



**Eva Wagner**

**Programme Manager Energy &  
Climate Policy/ Development  
Policy**

"Having a background in law, KAS Australia has provided me with an opportunity to see the world from the political viewpoint. I am thrilled to support the Foundation's work towards freedom, liberty, peace and justice, with a focus on energy and climate policy in Australia and New Zealand as well as development policy (including the rule of law) in the South Pacific."



**Karin Klaus**

**Administration and  
Information Officer**

"I have joined KAS in January 2019 after working for the Embassy of Switzerland in Australia and also in the private sector. I enjoy the multitude and variety of projects that KAS Australia & Pacific is involved in. It is also great to be a part of a bigger KAS picture which reaches many offices around the world."



**Anne Angelo**

**Financial and Administration  
Manager**

"It is great to be a part of KAS' amazing contributions to Australia and the Pacific region. Having worked in accounting firms and corporate groups in accounting and financial analysis, I provide financial guidance and support to the KAS activities."



**Juliane Strache**

**Events and Office Manager**

"Having joined the KAS team recently, I am very excited to contribute to the team as the Events and Office Manager. With an extensive background in hospitality and events management my focus is on delivering successful events through my strong knowledge in planning and the execution of corporate functions."

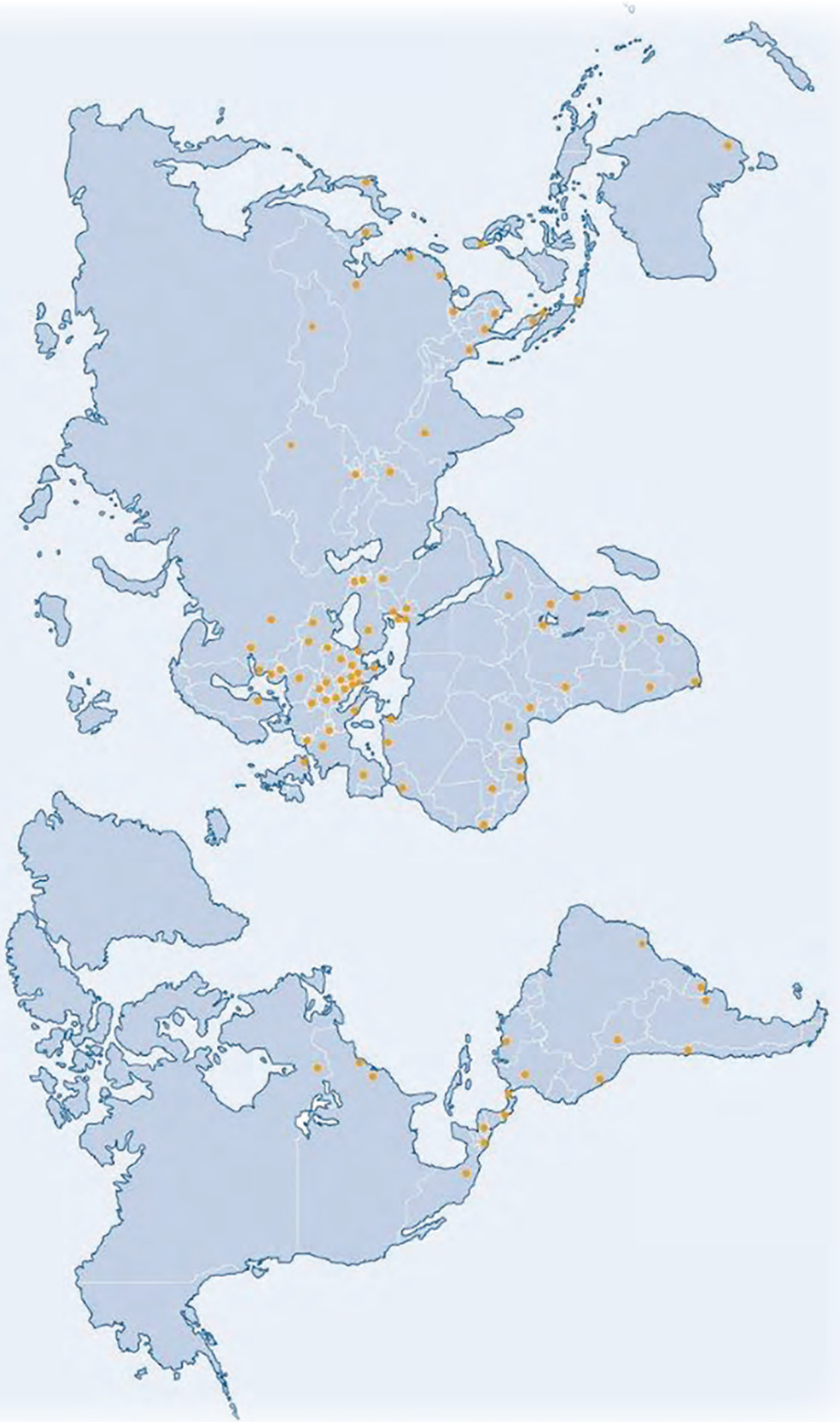




## We look forward to working with you in 2020

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