



THE ABE SCHOOLS EVENT

Would you like the tools to change the world?

THURSDAY 09 NOVEMBER

An event for high school students in year 10

Eastern Avenue Auditorium, The University of Sydney, Darlington 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM
and live-streamed by webinar 10:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

Why are your parents always complaining about the supermarket bill and nagging you to turn the lights off because of the cost of electricity? Why is it that most things are going up in price, but mobile phones seem to get cheaper? Why are governments not doing enough to stop big polluting companies from destroying the atmosphere? Why is buying a house so hard? Why does the government give money to big sports stadiums but not fix up your local skatepark?

If you have asked yourself any of these questions, you might be interested in economics. At its core, economics is about how to allocate limited resources when there are unlimited wants. Economics gives us powerful frameworks to understand the world around us - from household finances to the federal budget, from climate change to pandemics. It also gives us the language we need to influence change now to build a different future.

Come and learn about a career in economics, from some of the people that do it every day. Learn why economists have the tools to be CEOs, head up government departments, set interest rates or help us transition to a greener future. Learn why becoming an economist means every day of your career will be different, how you can influence others or even become a decision-maker yourself.

ABE presents an event for high school students in year 10. Join us from 10:30 am on Thursday 09 November, at The University of Sydney in Darlington or by webinar for a panel session featuring four economists discussing economics in the real world, what they do day-to-day and how their work impacts others. There is no charge for participation and, for participants in the room, a light lunch will be provided thanks to our generous sponsors.

The panel includes Diana Mousina (AMP, Moderator), Jo Masters (Barrenjoey), Ashley Brosnan (Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade), Illiana Jain (Westpac Institutional Bank), Jacob Harris (Reserve Bank of Australia).

Registration in advance is essential.

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Program

- 10:15 Registration opens at Eastern Avenue Auditorium, off City Road, Darlington
- 10:30 Webinar commences
Emergency briefing
- 10:35 Welcome and introduction
Hugh Harley, Professor of Practice (Global Economy), The University of Sydney
- 10:45 Panel: Would you like the tools to change the world?
Diana Mousina, Deputy Chief Economist, AMP Australia (Moderator)
Jo Masters, Partner & Chief Economist, Barrenjoey
Ashley Brosnan, Director, Trade Analysis, Trade and Investment Economics Branch
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Illiana Jain, Economist & Senior Associate, Westpac Institutional Bank
Jacob Harris, Analyst, Reserve Bank of Australia
- 11:30 Panel discussion with audience
- 11:55 Closing remarks
- 12:00 Webinar concludes
Lunch and networking
- 13:00 Event concludes



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Diana Mousina, Deputy Chief Economist, AMP Australia (Moderator)



Diana joined AMP in 2016 and is a senior economist within the AMP Investments team. Diana's responsibilities include providing global economic and macro investment analysis to retail, institutional and internal customers through her regular "Econosights" reports and presentations. Diana regularly presents AMP's macro views across various media outlets including ABC, SBS, Bloomberg, CNBC, AusBiz and mainstream Australian television networks and radio stations. Diana also contributes to the asset allocation decisions of the AMP multi-asset funds. Previously, Diana worked at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia as an economist in the Institutional Banking & Markets division. Diana holds a Bachelor of Commerce/Economics and has a Master of Finance (in funds management), both from the University of New South Wales.

Jo Masters, Partner & Chief Economist, Barrenjoey



Jo Masters is the Chief Economist of Barrenjoey Capital Partners, a proudly Australian financial services firm. She focuses on analysing trends across the Australian and global economies and financial markets, delivering those insights to investors, as well as senior members and executives of government and business. Jo has been a highly regarded part of the economic debate in Australia for over 20 years and she regularly shares her views at major policy, industry and educational forums, as well as in the domestic and international media. She ranked Top 3 in the Top 20 Investors segment in the 2022 Peter Lee survey. Her career started in banking and financial markets, with 14 years at Macquarie Bank in various roles across economics, strategy and foreign exchange sales, before moving to ANZ. Most recently, Jo was the Chief Economist for EY Oceania. She is on the board of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia's (CEDA) and is an Executive Member of the Australian Business Economists. Jo holds a Master of Economics from the University of Sydney.

**Ashley Brosnan, Director, Trade Analysis, Trade and Investment Economics Branch
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**



Ashley Brosnan is the Director of Trade Analysis at the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). Ashley is passionate about international trade policy and competitiveness, inequality, and the impacts of technology. He is a specialist in trade, development, and international economics, and prior to working at DFAT worked with Austrade and NSW Treasury. He has also managed development projects in Bhutan, Tuvalu, Palau, and Timor-Leste. He is a co-author of the Trade and Investment Megatrends Report alongside CSIRO. Ashley was previously an academic at Faculty of Economics and Finance at the Queensland University of Technology and received the Prime Minister's Endeavour Australia Cheung Kong Award.

Illiana Jain, Economist & Senior Associate, Westpac Institutional Bank



Illiana Jain is an Economist at Westpac. Her research focuses on emerging themes in Europe, the UK and Asia ex. China. Illiana began her career at the Commonwealth Treasury where she analysed macroeconomic data to inform the Treasury's forecasts and brief advisors. She holds Bachelors degrees in Economics and Science from the Australian National University.

Jacob Harris, Economist, Reserve Bank of Australia



University of Sydney.

Jacob Harris is an analyst at the Reserve Bank of Australia - Australia's central bank. Jacob works in the Domestic Markets Department, which is responsible for the Bank's operations in the domestic money and bond markets as well as analysis of domestic financial market developments. Jacob looks primarily at the Australian equity market, and contributes to research and discussion relevant to monetary policy considerations. He has also worked in the Bank's foreign exchange section, completing analysis and modelling work on the Australian dollar. Jacob graduated with a Bachelor of Economics from the