

# **AUSTRALIAN POLITICAL EXCHANGE COUNCIL**

## **TWENTY-SECOND DELEGATION FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**

**27 to 30 AUGUST 2014**

### **Sydney, New South Wales**

- Briefing by the Australian Electoral Commission
- Meeting with representatives from the City of Sydney including official welcome by Councillor Robyn Kemmis, Deputy Lord Mayor of Sydney and briefings by Ms Susana Ng, Senior Community Program Officer and Ms Christine McBride, Manager Social Policy and Programs
- Meeting with representatives from the Australia China Business Council
- Dinner hosted by Mr Huaxin Li, Consul-General, New South Wales
- Opera Performance at the Sydney Opera House

### **Canberra, Australian Capital Territory**

- Meeting with the Hon Kevin Andrews MP, Minister for Social Services, Federal Member for Menzies (UK 2001)
- Meeting with the Hon Mark Butler MP, Shadow Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Water, Federal Member for Port Adelaide (China 2006)
- Meeting with the Hon Tanya Plibersek MP, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, Shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Development, Federal Member for Sydney (Vietnam 2006)
- Meeting with the Hon Philip Ruddock MP, Chief Government Whip, Chair of the Australia-China Friendship Group, Federal Member for Berowra
- Council Luncheon hosted by the Hon Alan Ferguson, Chairman of the Australian Political Exchange Council. Joined by Senator Richard Di Natale, Council Member; the Hon John Cobb MP, Council Member and Mr Bruce Edwards
- Observe Question Time in the Senate and House of Representatives Chambers
- Call on the Hon Bronwyn Bishop MP, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Patron of the Council
- Call on the Senator the Hon Stephen Parry, President of the Senate, Patron of the Council
- Meeting with Senator the Hon Michael Ronaldson, Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC, Special Minister of State, Minister with portfolio responsibility for the exchange programme, Senator for Victoria (USA 1991)
- Dinner hosted by the His Excellency Mr Zhaoxu Ma, Chinese Ambassador to Australia
- Briefing on the Australian Labor Party by Mr Paul Erickson, Assistant National Secretary, Australian Labor Party (USA 2011)
- Briefing on the Liberal Party of Australia by Mr Bruce Edwards, International Secretary, Liberal Party of Australia (Japan 1992)
- Briefing on The Nationals by Ms Kate Barwick (China 2008) and Mr Chris Daffey (Philippines 2014), Media Advisers, Office of the Hon Warren Truss MP, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, Federal Member for Wide Bay