



A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome to the ANU Centre for European Studies (ANUCES) 2020 newsletter.

It has been a very challenging year – destructive fires and smoke keeping us indoors, the Canberra hail storm which damaged our ANUCES cottages, and of course, the COVID-19 pandemic.

It has also been a year of significant changes. In March 2020, after nine years as the Centre's Executive Director, Professor Jacqueline Lo farewelled ANU to take on the role of Pro-Vice Chancellor (International) at the University of Adelaide. She continues as lead investigator and co-investigator on several ANUCES Jean Monnet research projects. Upon Professor Lo's departure, I stepped into the Executive Director role, and was joined in leading the Centre by Dr Katarzyna Williams as Deputy Director.



Anne McNaughton

As well as a change in leadership, ANUCES had a change of location. We moved from the iconic blue, pink and purple cottages on Liversidge Street to a brand new building in the middle of the ANU campus.

Our change of address coincided with another transition: ANUCES became an independent research centre in the ANU Research School of Social Sciences (RSSS). While the move across campus was a bit of a challenge, the move within RSSS felt like a natural evolution, given the interdisciplinary research interests of the ANUCES community.

This year has also brought us success in securing six new Jean Monnet projects funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union. These fascinating new projects will focus on issues spanning trade, climate, democracy, technology, memory and cultural diplomacy. We are looking forward to delivering a new array of lectures, seminars, policy roundtables and publications as part of our new Jean Monnet projects over the coming years.

Meanwhile, four of our current Jean Monnet projects have been extended to mid-2021 to allow us to adapt the remaining activities to the new global situation. In August, we wrapped up our Jean Monnet Energy Policy Workshop project. You can find a collection of resources from this project on our website.

Despite the pandemic, we have continued working hard – exploring ways of connecting online, conducting our research against all odds and delivering on our projects. A blended working environment has become our new reality, with numerous seminars and conferences being delivered online.

On the one hand, the tyranny of distance has been hugely challenging for many of us who cannot visit our families outside of Australia. On the other hand, the sense of distance has nearly disappeared – particularly on a professional level – as we have been able to participate in so many events hosted online from Europe and other parts of the world. With students doing internships with us while being based in Germany or the Netherlands, our ties with Europe feel stronger than ever.

Read on to find out more about what we have been up to this year, including highlights such as the annual Schuman and KAS lectures. We wish everyone a safe and happy festive season and look forward to a productive 2021!

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JEAN MONNET ACTIVITIES: PPCEUMI MIGRATION NETWORK

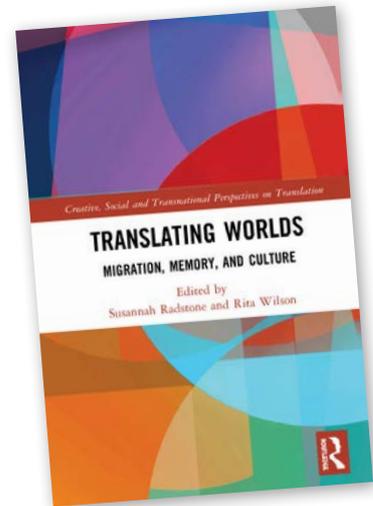
The Policy, Politics, Culture: Migration and Integration (PPCEUMI) network had two major events planned for 2020: the second Berlin Summer School for undergraduate students and the concluding conference in Canberra. Unfortunately, these had to be postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

We are planning to run the second Summer School and the concluding conference in 2021 in a hybrid format. During lockdown, the PPCEUMI teams were busy with their research.

Dr Katarzyna Williams and Professor Jacqueline Lo completed their article, 'Can We Talk About Poland?: Intergenerational Translations of Home', published in *Translating Worlds: Migration, Memory and Culture*, edited by Professors Susannah Radstone and Rita Wilson (Routledge): <http://bit.ly/translatingworlds>

Dr Katarzyna Williams also contributed a short essay on 'Memory and Migration' published in *Griffith Review 69: The European Exchange*: <http://bit.ly/memoryandmigration>

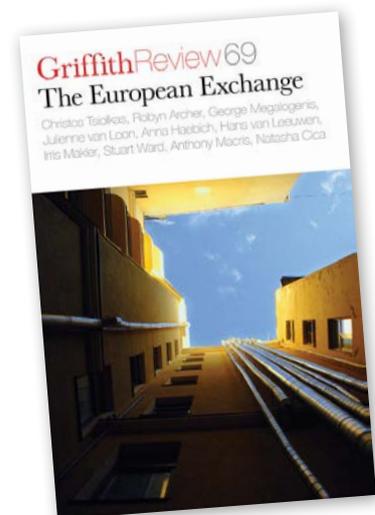
Two intern students, Constantine Karouzos and Alexander Weltin, kept busy working with PPCEUMI team members on short research projects focused on migration in Greece and Germany.



Constantine Karouzos



Alexander Weltin



EUOzCEC Briefing Paper: 'Migration to and from Germany: Both a model and a cautionary tale', July 2020

Dr Bettina Biedermann and Professor Dr Heribert Dieter published a Briefing Paper entitled 'Migration to and from Germany: Both a model and a cautionary tale': <https://bit.ly/Germany-migration>

The authors reflect on the effects of immigration on German society, integration approaches and how Germany combines the emigration of highly qualified workers with the immigration of low-skilled workers.



Get involved

The Policy, Politics, Culture: EU Migration and Integration (PPCEUMI) network welcomes interested academic members wishing to participate in network activities or publications.

For further information visit <http://bit.ly/PPCEUMI> or email: europe@anu.edu.au

JEAN MONNET ACTIVITIES: CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR EU-AUSTRALIA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

The Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence for EU–Australia Economic Cooperation (EUOzCEC) consolidates and expands understanding of EU–Australian economic cooperation at a pivotal moment in the bilateral relationship. The Centre seeks to identify opportunities for the EU and Australia to progress their bilateral economic relationship and pursue shared objectives in regional and multilateral contexts.



EUOzCEC Steering Committee and Research Fellows: Paul Gretton, Anne McNaughton, Jacqueline Lo, Alison Burrows, HE Michael Pulch, Bruce Wilson, Jason Collins and Hazel Moir

EUOzCEC began activities in February this year with the conference ‘Blockchain Technology, Data Management and Smart Contracts: Challenges and Opportunities’ run in collaboration with the ANU Centre for Commercial Law. The keynote address was delivered by Professor Sjef van Erp, Professor of Civil Law and European Private Law at the University of Maastricht. He is also co-chair of the European Law Institute Project Blockchain Technology and Smart Contracts, which is aimed at providing policymakers, legislators and legal practitioners with a legislative guide – a toolbox – on how to approach questions in this emerging legal field.

In June EUOzCEC held its first video workshop via Zoom, discussing recent EU–Australia economic developments. Among the participants were ANUCES Visiting Fellows Professor Alan Swinbank in the United Kingdom, Professor Carsten Daugbjerg in Denmark, and Adjunct Associate Professor Hazel Moir in Australia.

EUOzCEC 2020 Visiting Fellow, Michelle Egan



Professor Michelle Egan is Professor at the School of International Service at American University and a Global Fellow at the Wilson Center in Washington DC. She has published two books with Oxford University Press as well as two edited volumes. Her work focuses on Europe, the United States and Canada, with publications and presentations on trade barriers, single markets, legal integration, regulation and federalism.

She has presented to the European Commission, European Central Bank, United States Trade Representative, State Department and NIC on trade, regulation and transatlantic relations.

Professor Egan is currently working on two books: one is an edited volume on the EU and liberal order, and the other is on the dynamics of internal market liberalisation in Canada, for which she received a Council of Foreign Relations fellowship. Professor Egan was past President of the EU Studies Association, and has contributed media commentary to outlets including *BBC*, *CNN International*, *Al Jazeera*, and *National Public Radio* in Canada and the United States.

EUOzCEC 2020 Visiting Fellow, Hannah C. Norberg



Dr Hanna C. Norberg is an independent trade policy advisor, founder of [TradeEconomista](http://TradeEconomista.com), Co-Director of DigitalTradePolicy.com and Initiator of TradeExperettes.org. She specialises in conducting bespoke research, training, teaching and ‘mastermind’ events for policymakers and organisations looking to understand the underlying issues and dynamics of modern trade topics and find the best way to deal with them from a policy perspective.

Dr Norberg holds a PhD in international economics from Lund University, Sweden, with her thesis largely written during a study visit to Columbia University and the National Bureau of Economic Research New York office. She has substantial experience in applied economics with trade policy impact assessment projects for the European Commission (free trade agreements covering major parts of the world, for example, T-TIP, Japan, ASEAN, Korea, various MENA countries, Mercosur), ECFIN, OECD, WTO and national governments. She also has considerable practical experience, working on implementing Free Trade Agreements, surveying Small to Medium Enterprises, and studying economic development through private public partnerships.

Dr Norberg’s primary academic research interests are trade, trade policy, economic integration and development. She is actively involved in projects on digital trade and data flows. Most of her research and advising is currently focused on blockchain technology and trade policy.



Anne McNaughton, Sjef van Erp, Sally Wheeler

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JEAN MONNET ACTIVITIES: TRADE IN SERVICES

Trade in Services

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) has developed a Services Trade Restrictiveness Index (STRI) which provides useful insights into where there are greater or lesser regulatory impediments to international competition in services. This database has been developed drawing on expertise from trade and regulation experts in the countries covered. In this Jean Monnet project, ANUCES is using the STRI data to assess how well trade treaties focus on removing critical areas where regulation impedes international services trade.

As well as considering past experience from recent EU trade treaties, the project focuses on areas which are relevant for current EU–Australia and EU–New Zealand trade negotiations on services. Particular attention will be paid to trade in education services and trade in financial services.

ANUCES has developed intensive processes to bring together researchers and policymakers to jointly assess available evidence on a particular policy issue. We will be using these to assess the preliminary results from this project, investigating priorities in services trade liberalisation, and to develop deeper lines of analysis.

The EU–Australia Trade in Services final activity, a workshop in Brussels, has been postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In the meantime, the project team has been working on policy notes and attending government consultation meetings.

Visit the ANUCES website for updates: <http://bit.ly/trade-in-services>

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TiS Visiting Fellow, Sihui Ong



ANUCES appointed Sihui Ong to work on trade and commerce in the financial services sector in Australia and the EU as part of the Trade in Services project. Sihui graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Economics (Honours) from ANU and started her PhD at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario in September 2019. Sihui's interests lie in macroeconomics and monetary economics. She is particularly interested in how the banking system interacts with the economy, as well as the effects of various policy interventions.

TiS Research Fellow, Steve Nerlich



Dr Steve Nerlich was recently awarded his PhD, in which he investigated the return on investment achievable by Australian university students who choose to study abroad while completing their Australian qualification. Steve is also Director of the Department of Education and Training's International Research and Analysis Unit, which is responsible for producing national data on international students, who either study in Australia or study Australian courses from overseas. Steve's background gives him a keen interest in Australia's trade in services, given education is our number one services export.



Stay up to date

To stay up to date about our activities and events, contact us to join our Trade in Services mailing list: europe@anu.edu.au

Third Country Engagement with EU Trade Policy Notes by ANUCES Visiting Fellow Associate Professor Ottavio Quirico

‘Codifying Border Carbon
Adjustments? Climate Clauses
in EU Trade and Investment
Agreements’, May 2020

ANUCES Visiting Fellow Associate Professor Ottavio Quirico contributed to this Jean Monnet project with his Policy Note reviewing the lawfulness of border carbon adjustments (BCAs), which are a key element of the environmental policy currently proposed by the EU Commission.

Download this Policy Note from the ANUCES website:
<http://bit.ly/policynoteissue2-2020>

Third Country Engagement with EU Trade Policy Notes by ANUCES Adjunct Associate Professor Hazel Moir

‘Beyond trade: an overview of
recent EU trade treaties’, 2020

‘Intellectual property and trade
treaties’, 2020

‘Regulatory systems for
geographical indications’, 2020

These Policy Notes will be available to download from the ANUCES website:
<http://bit.ly/ANUCESpolicynotes>

Third Country Engagement with EU Trade

The Jean Monnet Third Country Engagement with EU Trade Policy project seeks to explore and improve understanding of the EU’s evolving trade policy and its implications for third countries, including Australia and other countries in the Asia Pacific region.

Some of this Jean Monnet project’s activities planned for 2020 have been postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Preparations to deliver these activities in an alternative format are underway.

A new research network has been established between ANU and the University of New England, and plans to collaborate with New Zealand’s scholars and policy practitioners are underway.

Forthcoming events include a public conference focused on third country interactions with the EU, bringing together academics and policy practitioners and accessible to students and civil society; further collaborative work with a specialist academic network on third country trade relations with the EU; an edited collection on the issue of third country interaction with the EU; and additional policy papers covering the different country cases.

Visit the ANUCES website for updates: <http://bit.ly/third-country-trade>

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Policy forum: ‘A new GI regulation for Australia: What is the added value?’ Canberra, 25 November 2020

Geographical Indications (GIs) are a make or break issue for the European Union in its trade negotiations. One of the EU demands in current negotiations with Australia is that Australia adopt an EU-style GI sui generis registration system. The government is currently consulting on this proposal.

On 25 November we hosted an online policy forum on this topic. It considered the potential value of introducing a new regulatory system, and explored the demonstrated need or demand for a new regulatory system for food GIs. The policy forum looked at how Australia’s pattern and distribution of cheese production is very different to that in Europe. It also stressed the critical need to ensure any new GI registration system is as streamlined and efficient as possible. The panel members were:

- > **Dr Paula Zito**, Food Geographical Indications Consultant and Associate Teacher in Law, University of Adelaide
- > **Charlie McElhone**, Group Manager, Trade and Industry Strategy, Dairy Australia
- > **Adjunct Associate Professor Hazel Moir**, ANU Centre for European Studies

For more information and to listen to a recording of the discussion, visit:
<https://bit.ly/GIregulation>



JEAN MONNET ACTIVITIES: EUROPA POLICY LABS

The Europa Policy Labs (EUROPOL) project is now complete. The Policy Labs addressed a clear need for a better understanding of policy governance and institutions of the EU in Australia. They enhanced understanding of EU architecture and the breadth of EU policy, building on the recent Framework Agreement and contributing to common understandings for the current trade negotiations between the EU and Australia.

EUROPOL brought policy-engaged researchers with European expertise together with Australian policymakers and academics. They joined forces and developed recommendations across three policy areas that align with EU–Australia cooperation, and are the research strengths of ANUCES: environment, trade and migration. In particular, the project brought together experts to identify key policy challenges requiring international cooperation, and innovative policy research addressing challenges facing both Europe and Australia.

The project delivered ten Policy Labs – two more than initially designed – which engaged academic experts and the policy community in discussion and information sharing while testing the policy work generated by the Labs. The events attracted substantial interest from and participation by policymakers, academics and the broader community. The Policy Labs were interactive, run by leading EU policy-engaged research experts and focused on active engagement of policymakers at different phases of policy development. Six of the Policy Labs were delivered in the form of two consecutive events, at the beginning of research and at the end of the development cycle. This two-stage process enabled the second event to build on the extensive consultation and feedback from the policy community and stakeholders that came out of the first event.

Visit the ANUCES website to download a concise overview of the most recent Europa Policy Labs, edited by ANUCES interns Shelley Zhao and Dean Karouzou: <http://bit.ly/europol-final-paper>



Francesca Vassallo Policy Lab, August 2019

EUROPOL resources

The following resources are available on the ANUCES website:

<http://bit.ly/policylabs-outcomes>

- > A collection of Briefing Papers summarising the evidence-based research and specific knowledge about the areas of environment, trade and migration, and proposing improved methods of supporting policy through policy analytics: <http://bit.ly/europol-final-paper>
- > A series of audio recordings and other materials such as slide decks that have been created to enable knowledge sharing.

For more information, visit: <http://bit.ly/europa-policy-labs>

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Europa Policy Labs final Briefing Paper authors

Associate Professor Katherine Daniell, Dr Joseph Guillaume, Professor Alexis Tsoukias and Professor Myriam Mead:

Policy analytics: Provocations and Questions for a Research Agenda

Professor Karel Janda: The Contradictions of European Union Energy and Climate Policies

Professor Geoff Cockfield and Professor Carsten Daugbjerg: The Changed Architecture of the EU's Agricultural Policy in Comparative Perspective: Implications for a Free Trade Agreement with Australia

Professor Irina Ribarova: Challenges for Effective Implementation of the Circular Economy in Urban Water Management

Dr Sarah Harrison: Optimising Electoral Ergonomics – Australian and European Experiences and Understanding the Electoral Needs of Vulnerable and Under-Represented Voters

Associate Professor Francesca Vassallo: Populist Governments and Voters in Europe

Dr Diana López-Falcon: Mobility in Times of Retirement

Dr Karine Chevreul: International Challenges in Engaging Local Government and Community in Mental Health Policy: The Case of Suicide Prevention Policies in France and Australia

Book: *Russian Energy Strategy in Asia: Implications for Australia, forthcoming 2021*

Australia lacks the institutional insight into Russian energy interests in Canberra's prime energy market – the Asia Pacific. This book, which is a culmination of the Jean Monnet Energy Policy Workshop project, seeks to fill this knowledge gap by providing policymakers, academics and tertiary students with up-to-date insight and analysis of Russia's foreign energy strategy in the region. By comparing and contrasting it with Australia's energy security over reliance throughout the Asia Pacific region, this book highlights serious energy security concerns on the not too distant horizon.

The book critically examines Russian energy strategy in the Asia Pacific, with a view to determining the security implications for Australia. Russia is important for global energy security chains because of its vast resource wealth and its geographical position – a pivot position to supply both the European and Asian markets.

Australia, geographically constrained as an island continent, has no such luxury. Canberra relies on the nearby Asia Pacific export market to satisfy the energy demand and to facilitate the delivery of Australian national oil supplies. Traditionally, Russian foreign energy strategy has prioritised the European market. However, post-Ukraine 2014, Russia started to eye the Asian market and, in particular, China's energy requirements.



Vladimir Putin

The Jean Monnet Energy Policy Workshop project provided readily available materials on EU energy security concerns, the role of Russia in derailing a European Union common energy market, and lessons for Australia. Led by Dr Elizabeth Buchanan, it presented this evidence in an accessible format to policymakers and disseminated it through European networks, while also focusing on identifying key gaps in current knowledge. This project also enhanced ANUCES's reputation for policy impact and influence in relation to EU studies.

For more information, visit: <http://bit.ly/eu-energy-policy>

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Publication: *Securing our energy*

Additionally, the Energy Policy Workshop resulted in a peer reviewed energy publication for the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific series *Securing our Energy*: <https://bit.ly/securing-our-energy-issue4>

Authors:

- > **Dr Christian Downie:** The global energy challenge
- > **Professor Kenneth Baldwin:** Will the clean energy revolution enhance energy security?
- > **Professor Andrew Blakers and Dr Matthew Stocks:** Solar photovoltaics and wind energy: the climate change solution
- > **Dr Elizabeth Buchanan:** Fuelling Asia: Russia recalibrates its foreign energy strategy
- > **Dr Matthew Dornan:** Small island states and the challenge of 'best practice' regulatory reform
- > **Edwina Fingleton-Smith:** The three E's of energy security – equitable, effective and efficient
- > **Honorary Associate Professor Hugh Saddler:** System security in the National Electricity Market
- > **Natalie Sambhi:** Guardian, consumer or middleman? The role of the military in Indonesia's energy security



JEAN MONNET ACTIVITIES: WATER POLICY INNOVATION HUB

The ANUCES Jean Monnet Water Policy Innovation Hub is led by Dr Ehsan Nabavi, Research Fellow at the 3A Institute in the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science, and Dr Joseph Guillaume, Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (DECRA) Research Fellow in the Fenner School of Environment and Society at ANU.

In 2019, the Water Policy Innovation Hub determined its direction with five research clusters that shaped and informed its activities. These research clusters were open to anyone interested in the Water Policy Innovation Hub.

The Water Policy Innovation Hub ran three events in Canberra early this year, after the bushfires and before COVID-19 interrupted the planned European workshops. During lockdown, discussions continued with partners in France in the Joint Research Unit 'Water Management, Actors, Territories' (UMR G-EAU) and INRAE (Institut national de recherche pour l'agriculture, l'alimentation et l'environnement).

The three events in Canberra explored the topic of water policy innovation from the perspective of irrigation technology, bushfires, and problem framing. In each case, the events emphasised cross-disciplinary international exchange and collaboration, connecting both theory and practice and supporting the building of connections that help innovation in water policy. These events contribute to the longer term endeavour of shifting from the current discourse on solutions to an emphasis on understanding and managing the process of radical change in water management.

The activities planned for mid-2020, including a workshop in Montpellier, France, hosted by the IRSTEA (Institut national de recherche en sciences et technologies pour l'environnement et l'agriculture), have been postponed due to COVID-19. The workshop in France will aim to reinforce collaboration between Australian and French scholars, particularly researchers and engineers in the Joint Research Unit 'Water Management, Actors, Territories' (UMR G-EAU).

For more information, visit <https://waterpolicyhub.com/#about> or the ANUCES website: <http://bit.ly/water-policy-hub>

Or contact Dr Joseph Guillaume: joseph.guillaume@anu.edu.au

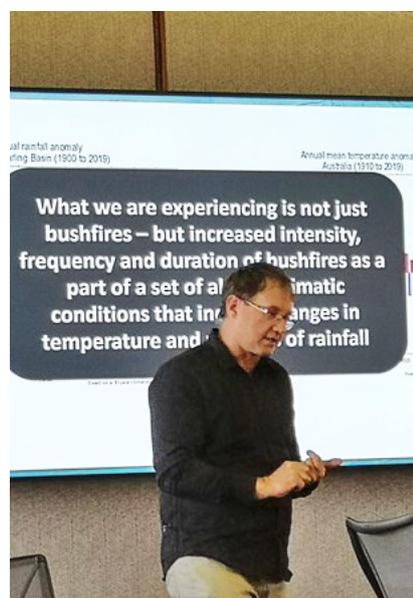
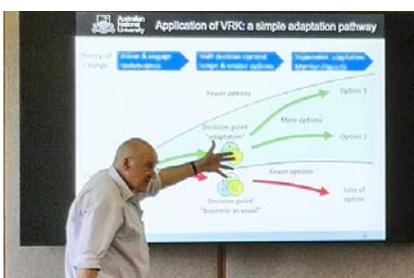
Panel discussion: 'Committing to the unknown: Investment in novel irrigation infrastructure', Canberra, 5 February 2020

This event explored innovation as it relates to adoption of irrigation technologies. The panel discussion included representatives from government, and industry and researchers from Australia and the Netherlands, providing a unique networking opportunity. The case studies discussed included decisions to invest in managed aquifer recharge and new irrigation schemes, and issues associated with groundwater use and management locally and internationally.

A key observation was the need to consider how decisions about innovation are shared amongst stakeholders and how decisions are approached. This manifests itself in understanding farmer decision making, the dependence of irrigation districts on government decisions, the sharing of responsibilities within a federal system, and the challenges and need for innovation of coordination mechanisms associated with emergent consequences of decisions made by large numbers of individual irrigators.

The panel also emphasised the role of confidence and information. Decisions to invest in new irrigation infrastructure are made in the face of substantial uncertainty around costs, gaps in hydrological and groundwater understanding, and need for policy development. In addition, farmers and private enterprise are being asked to bear increasing responsibility for these decisions which traditionally were led and funded by government.

For more information visit:
<http://bit.ly/committing-to-the-unknown>



Mini symposium: ‘Putting lessons into practice: reflecting on water management in the face of fire’, Canberra, 10 March 2020

In the face of workshop disruptions from bushfires and smoke, we decided to use the situation as an opportunity to explore the issue of facilitating innovation in water policy and management in the context of bushfires. In a one-day mini symposium format, a program of 18 speakers were invited from water agencies, government, private industry and universities locally, interstate and internationally. The speakers covered a range of perspectives, with rapid fire talks related to landscape management, catchment management, governance, planning and ecology.

Interactive activities explored how individuals fit within the broader water-bushfires picture, using the catchment management cycle as a starting point, as well as discussing implications for change and innovation, identifying priority gaps and opportunities for change and innovation. It was emphasised that water management often faces an implementation rather than research gap – there is a need for an environment that encourages adaptive management and organisational learning, providing a license to fail, and including community engagement. This is a fundamental cultural challenge, with decision making, capacity building and networking seen as key areas.

The highly diverse group of participants was particularly appreciated as a means to connect to people with similar interests but typically from different circles.

For more information visit:
<http://bit.ly/face-of-fire>

Workshop: ‘Perspectives on Innovation: What does it mean to be innovative in water policymaking and what is involved?’ Canberra, 11 March 2020

The third event tackled the issue of how the ‘problem’ of innovation is framed. A workshop format focused on interactive discussions amongst diverse participants. Initial discussions focused on ‘What does water policy innovation mean to you?’ and ‘What are the opportunities for innovation in the water sector?’, followed by small groups discussing innovation in several case studies.

Introductions of case studies were provided by participants from government, industry and universities locally and internationally, providing concrete settings in which to assess what counts as innovative knowledge, practice, and solution in the context of water management, and what that means for tackling radical change.

Discussion strongly emphasised issues of implementation, adoption and scaling up, which connect to issues of equity and power, accountability and responsibility. Concrete examples were a useful way of both embedding the abstract topic of innovation within a practical context, and a way of helping to work through complexities involved.

This workshop will feed into events in Europe, with current plans including discussion of issues around participatory decision making, both as a means for facilitating innovation in water management and as an innovation that presents challenges of its own. A second case study will focus on the process of transition from open to regulated access to water, and the issues associated with achieving this radical change, which may or may not be framed as an innovation.

For more information visit: <http://bit.ly/perspectives-on-innovation>



Selected publications of the Water Policy Innovation Hub lead researchers

‘Water reform for all: a national response to a water emergency’, May 2020. ANU researchers play an active role in encouraging innovation within water management, and this policy brief encourages a national conversation: <https://doi.org/10.25911/5ebbccec2fb21>

‘Giving Legs to Handprint Thinking: Foundations for Evaluating the Good We Do’, March 2020. A key issue with innovation is the framing of radical change as a positive development. This is explicitly tackled in this paper in *Earth’s Future*, Vol.8, Issue 6: <https://doi.org/10.1029/2019EF001422>

‘AI for sustainability: A changing landscape’, January 2020. This book chapter in *Artificial Intelligence: for better or worse*, published by Future Leaders, explores the relationship between technological innovation and sustainability: https://bit.ly/AI_futureleaders

JEAN MONNET ACTIVITIES: NEW JEAN MONNET PROJECTS

European Union grants success for the ANU Centre for European Studies: New Erasmus+ Jean Monnet projects starting in 2020

ANUCES has won six grants from the 2019 round of the Jean Monnet Activities grant scheme, from the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency of the European Commission.

Algorithmic Futures Policy Lab

Led by ANUCES Associate Professor Katherine Daniel and Dr Elizabeth Williams, this project aims to catalyse the work needed to successfully design technology and policy for an uncertain future. Lab participants will explore what responsible algorithmic development and policymaking might look like in light of future global socio-economic and environmental uncertainties, with a specific focus on relevant upcoming governance challenges and opportunities in the European Union and Australia. The Lab series will include three workshops: 'Social responsibility of algorithms', 'Human-machine collaboration in a changing world', and 'Algorithmic design for uncertain futures'. The first workshop is expected to start in mid-2021.

EU Climate Change Agenda and External Trade and Investment

Led by ANUCES Visiting Fellow Dr Ivana Damjanovic, this project aims at drawing together domestic public (climate change and investment in renewables) and private (CSR) policy tools with international public and private instruments (international trade and investment law) to support the Paris Agreement. Given the differences in climate change responses, the forthcoming EU–Australia Free Trade Agreement provides an ideal framework for the implementation of more coherent climate change policy instruments, first in the bilateral and then also more global trade and investment context.

Implementing Climate Policies

Led by ANUCES Visiting Fellow Associate Professor Ottavio Quirico, this project aims to explore how EU climate policies can be effectively implemented in the international arena. This project compares the climate policies of the EU and third countries, notably Australia and the US, in order to improve understanding of their viability. The project will include a set of events to bring attention to the implementation of EU climate policy on the international stage. Importantly, it will also improve understanding of EU climate policies in Australia and the US.

Culture in International Relations: Europe and the Indo-Pacific

Led by ANUCES Deputy Director Dr Katarzyna Williams, this project aims to increase understanding of and opportunities for EU cultural diplomacy in Australia and Singapore. Examining the EU's approaches to culture for external relations will contribute to better understanding of cultural diplomacy as an evolving field focused on shared rather than nation-centric interests, while expanding its potential in international relations. This project will result in enhanced opportunities for integrated EU cultural diplomacy in the Indo–Pacific region. It will also create an impetus for more focused research in this area, particularly on strategies for enhanced digital engagement across geographically and/or culturally remote communities.

Remembering Across Continents: European Politics of Memory from Australian Perspectives

Also led by ANUCES Deputy Director Dr Katarzyna Williams, this project aims to explore the role of collective remembrance and memory construction in building political communities. This project will examine global understanding of the EU's approaches to historical memory and strategies for identity construction, and will investigate the impact of EU memory politics beyond the EU. It will also address a normative question of how to deal with contested memories and provide policy-based responses to European efforts for transnational remembrance.

Liberal Democracy in Action

Led by ANUCES Visiting Fellow Dr Rita Parker, this project aims to improve understanding of contemporary challenges to liberal democracy and the rules-based international order. It seeks to develop actionable policy recommendations that strengthen knowledge and understanding of the fundamental liberal democratic principles, values and norms within civil society in the EU and elsewhere.



Ivana Damjanovic, Anne McNaughton, Ottavio Quirico, Katarzyna Williams

2020 Schuman Lecture: 'Solidarity and Unity: Charting a course for the EU in troubled times' Canberra, 30 November 2020

ANUCES was pleased to host this year's Schuman Lecture as part of the new Jean Monnet project 'Liberal Democracy in Action' delivered with the support of the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union.

The Robert Schuman Lecture series celebrates the remarkable achievements of European integration since its modest beginnings in the European Coal and Steel Community in 1951, announced in a declaration by French Foreign Minister Schuman. ANU has recognised this achievement and foresight by hosting the annual Schuman Lecture since 1996.

This year's Schuman Lecture was delivered by His Excellency Dr Thomas Fitschen, German Ambassador to Australia. He spoke about Germany's role as President of the Council of the European Union, and the relationship between Germany and EU Member States. In its presidential role, Germany has engaged with the health, environmental and geopolitical challenges currently facing Europe and the world. The Ambassador reflected on this and the meaning of European Union membership in troubled times.

His Excellency Dr Thomas Fitschen has been the Ambassador of Germany to Australia since July 2019. Before coming to Australia he was the German Federal Foreign Office's Special Representative for Cyber Foreign Policy and Cybersecurity. From 2015 to 2018 he was Director for the United Nations, Counter-Terrorism and International Cyber Policy. He joined the German Foreign Service in 1990.

His Excellency Dr Fitschen is a lawyer by training (University of Kiel, Germany) and holds a doctorate in international law from the University of Saarbrücken. He holds memberships in the German Society of International Law (DGIR), the European Society of International Law (ESIL) and the German United Nations Association (DGVN). His Excellency Dr Fitschen publishes regularly on United Nations issues, international law and cultural property law.

For information about the ANUCES Schuman Lecture Series, visit:

<https://bit.ly/schuman-lecture-series>



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Klaus-Martin and Stefanie Schulte, Beatrice Gorawantschy, Alfred Reichert, Jacqueline Lo, Juliane Strache



Jacqueline Lo, Andreas Radtke, Anne McNaughton, Katarzyna Williams, Ivana Damjanovic



FEATURE ARTICLE: GERMAN PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF THE EU

By **Nicholas Simoes da Silva**

On 1 July 2020, Germany took over from Croatia the Presidency of the Council of the European Union ('the Council'), for the first time since 2007. Its motto for the six-month tenure, 'Together for Europe's recovery', reflected an ambitious agenda that sought to harvest the potential of the EU in times of crisis. However, the growing challenges facing its implementation illustrate the unique forms of accountability and legitimacy embedded in the EU and its institutions.

What is the Council of the EU?

Not to be confused with the European Council, the Council of the EU is a co-legislative body with the European Parliament comprised of leaders of EU member states, including 27 member-state ministers. The shape of the Council varies depending on the matters under discussion, with ten configurations of ministers cycling through for different legislative areas. The Council, along with the European Parliament, must approve legislative acts, treaties with third countries and the EU's multiannual budget. It also looks to coordinate the policies of member states and develop the EU's foreign and security policy. The Presidency rotates among member states, and, since 2007, a practice has developed where every three Presidencies coordinate their policies to create a more unified agenda over 18 months. Germany will form a 'trio' with Portugal (1 January 2021) and Slovakia (1 July 2021).

A challenging German Presidency

Germany took over the Presidency at a challenging time. A key priority affecting all others is managing the economic and social effects of COVID-19. This became the main thrust of Germany's Presidency, and added impetus to introducing EU-level economic and budgetary reforms that would assist member state recoveries and share economic costs more equitably.

However, several other longstanding issues also needed to be addressed, including finalising a multi-year EU budget, concluding a post-Brexit treaty with the UK and redesigning the EU's foreign and security policy to reflect a rules-based international order under strain.

Building relations with China and the United States, recognised in Germany's agenda as 'our closest foreign and security policy partner outside the EU', is increasingly difficult. China's introduction of a new security law in Hong Kong, substantially eroding the rule of law, complicated Germany's goal of 'expand[ing] cooperation with China and work[ing] to foster greater reciprocity in all policy areas.' Germany's commitment to reforming the EU's Common European Asylum System confronts divisions among member states. This agenda, and the response to it, suggests that, despite claims that an amorphous 'Brussels' runs the EU, the power to drive large scale policy changes in the European Union rests with its member states.

The fact that member states direct the EU, providing it with a powerful form of accountability and an unappreciated legitimacy, is clear in the member state-driven responses to Germany's agenda. Mid-July 2020 saw deadlock over Germany and France's landmark proposal to provide up to €750 billion to hard hit members of the EU, financed through an EU-level bond, thereby mutualising the debt across member states.

Member states led by Austria, Sweden, Denmark, and the Netherlands maintained their hostility to sizable EU bonds. They demanded cuts to the program's size and the inclusion of conditionality, requiring member states to undertake economic reforms to receive grants.

Another German Presidency priority, building rule of law conditionality into any EU payments, resulted in opposition from Hungary, Poland and Slovenia to the bailout program and the finalisation of a new multi-annual budget. Germany's taxation agenda, supporting the introduction of a financial services tax, has been resisted by member states such as the Netherlands. All this and

the associated media coverage of these policy debates highlights the leading role of member states rather than of bureaucrats. Debates are conducted between European leaders and ministers waging battle by media release and backgrounding of journalists. While the European Commission is an important EU institution, the ambition of and response to Germany's Presidential agenda suggests that the EU is, and remains, an institution whose direction is driven and shaped by its member states.

Germany's Presidential vision and the EU's future

The German Presidency's bold agenda for the EU demanded an extraordinary increase in the scope and diversity of EU actions and solidarity. This is not the first time Germany has led such reform in the face of heated opposition and global crisis.

In 2007, during its last Presidency, Germany led the effort to turn the failed European Constitution into what became the Lisbon Treaty once handed over to the subsequent Portuguese Presidency. It did so at the beginning of the Global Financial Crisis (GFC), a crisis that would go on to challenge the very foundations of the EU, but one which it weathered. Germany's agenda suggests an unwillingness to revisit the failures that marred the EU and member-state responses to the GFC.

Realising the German agenda's commitment to solidarity, common values, social cohesion and the rule of law will ensure that the EU does not merely weather this storm, but emerges stronger, more equal and cohesive. This is important for the EU and its citizens, and for those committed to its values and its role in addressing the environmental, economic and geopolitical challenges of today.



Vale – Nye Hughes

By Dr Rita Parker

The Nye Hughes Room at the ANU Centre for European Studies was named in honour of the former EU Ambassador to Australia who was instrumental in the establishment of the Centre. It remains as a tribute to a distinguished diplomat and gracious person.

Aneurin (Nye) Rhys Hughes died on 28 March 2020 in Oslo and his funeral was held there on 10 April. Amidst the ongoing turmoil and restrictions of the COVID-19 pandemic, his family from the UK could not attend, neither could his many friends, and many people were unaware of the news of Nye's death.



Aneurin (Nye) Rhys Hughes, 1937–2020

Nye was born in Swansea, Wales in 1937. He was educated at Swansea Grammar School and Aberystwyth University where he studied philosophy and Celtic Studies. He joined the Foreign Office in 1966 and the European Civil Service in 1973. He was EU Ambassador to Norway and Iceland (1987–95) and to Australia and New Zealand (1995–2002). After his term as EU Ambassador to Australia, he returned to live in Oslo in retirement with his second wife, Lisbeth, but he regularly returned to Australia to spend time with his many friends in Canberra and elsewhere in the region.

As EU Ambassador to Australia Nye actively promoted the collaborative role of the EU in the wider world. The establishment of the ANU Centre for European Studies was just one important example that continues on as a tribute to his vision, foresight and diplomatic skills.

Nye Hughes was a powerful orator and public speaker. His speeches, delivered across Australia and New Zealand, earned him respect and many admirers who enjoyed his oratory and humorous illustrations of the values of the EU relationship. His first address at the National Press Club in Canberra was distinctive and memorable when he began by bursting into song – in Welsh. He was a proud Welshman and European, and singing was one of Nye's many passions along with his genuine interest in people and love of life. Wherever he went he was known for his intelligence, compassion, quick wit and humour, and his irrepressible *joie de vivre*. Nye had an extensive group of friends in Canberra adding to the many in Wales, Norway and across Europe.

Nye's connection with Australia endures through his authorship of a book about Australian Prime Minister Billy Hughes (no relative) published in 2011, his long-term Canberra friendships, and his connection with the ANU Centre for European Studies. Nye finally succumbed to pancreatic cancer, and he will be missed as a friend and colleague by many.

The Nye Hughes Room in the Centre for European Studies at The Australian National University is an important reminder of a special person whose spirit lives on, and the enduring and important relationship between Europe and Australia that Nye fostered.



Aneurin (Nye) Rhys Hughes speaking at ANUCES end-of-year event, December 2017

2020 Konrad Adenauer Lecture: ‘Multilateralism and Regional Cooperation in Times of Global Crises: Australia and Europe and the International Order’, The Hon Julie Bishop, Canberra, 1 October 2020

The ANU Centre for European Studies together with the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) hosted the fourth annual Konrad Adenauer Lecture, this year presented by the Hon Julie Bishop, Chancellor of The Australian National University.

Held at the Hyatt Hotel in Canberra, the 2020 KA Lecture was attended by academics, policymakers, diplomats, government representatives and the general public.

In her lecture, the Hon Julie Bishop reflected on what successful international engagement means and what cooperative networks around the shared goal of an open Indo-Pacific could look like. She discussed how the COVID-19 crisis is making clear how many of today’s global challenges cannot be contained within national borders and require sustained cooperation amongst trusted partners

and in international fora. For Australia, taking a more active role in shaping a free and open Indo-Pacific extends beyond its immediate geographical neighbourhood and rests on increased engagement with like-minded nations to set norms and standards. Similarly, the EU (as well as NATO) is reorienting its outlook to adapt to the major strategic realignment underway and looking to build stronger ties with valued partners.

The Chancellor’s lecture preceded a discussion chaired by Ms Virginia Haussegger AM, Chair of the 50/50 by 2030 Foundation and Chief Editor of *BroadAgenda*, and closing remarks by His Excellency Dr Thomas Fitschen, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to Australia.

For more information about the Konrad Adenauer Lecture Series, visit: <https://bit.ly/Konrad-Adenauer-lecture-series>



HE Thomas Fitschen



The Hon Julie Bishop delivering the 2020 KAS Lecture



Virginia Haussegger AM, Brian Schmidt AC FAA FRS, Beatrice Gorawantschy, HE Thomas Fitschen, Anne McNaughton



Virginia Haussegger AM



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PhD milestones



Catherine Akeroyd

For nearly two millennia the possible existence of a southern landmass haunted the European imagination. Some European mapmakers in the 16th and early 17th centuries believed in the southern continent's existence. The principal challenge they faced was the manner of its representation. The purpose of Catherine's thesis is to investigate the use of imagery by Dutch, French and Italian mapmakers in the southern continent of world maps produced in the hundred or so years following Ferdinand Magellan's circumnavigation of the world, 1519–21.



Ivana Damjanovic

ANUCES is proud to announce that Ivana has been awarded her PhD. Ivana's research explored Investor-State Dispute Settlement (ISDS). She examined the extent to which the EU's institutional proposal to create a Multilateral Investment Court (MIC) achieves the EU's normative goals and effects change in international investment law. ISDS started a global debate on the need to reform international investment regulation, which currently focuses on finding appropriate multilateral options in the framework of the UN Commission on International Trade Law. The EU has been particularly active in this debate, proposing a new MIC that would address problems with the current regime. Congratulations, Dr Damjanovic!



Steve Nerlich

ANUCES is proud to announce that Steve has been awarded his PhD. Steve's research explored the value of studying abroad for students from Australian universities. In 2017, nearly 50,000 students from Australian universities studied abroad. That activity involved significant investment by the students themselves, as well as by their universities and by government funding sources, such as the \$50 million per annum New Colombo Plan. Steve investigated the expressed purpose and anticipated value arising from students studying abroad, and sought to conceptually frame that anticipated value as a return on the investments made. Congratulations, Dr Nerlich!



Therese Redpath

The purpose of Therese's study is to explore changes in communication styles due to the expanding availability of haptic technologies. It theorises contemporary developments in place-based pedagogies and demonstrates the impact of mobile digital affordances on the creation and communication of knowledge acquired beyond the confines of traditional 'bricks and mortar' learning sites. The research data sets, layered with judiciously selected theoretical lenses, show how recently established mobile technological skills and learning dispositions have emerged and are consolidating in flexible, creative and engaging ways.



Andrew Willcocks

ANUCES congratulates Andrew on submitting his doctoral thesis from France. Andrew has been working in Paris but is a long-standing member of the ANUCES community and we look forward to welcoming him back as Dr Willcocks! Andrew conducted a comparative investigation into normative tensions among institutional and civil society actors influencing the EU Common European Asylum System (CEAS). Andrew's qualitative analysis of the fieldwork data suggests that supranational institutions and Non-Governmental Organisations may need to seek a more coherent supranational cross-border model of civil society advocacy in relation to the CEAS to achieve greater convergence in the implementation of common rules at the national level within EU member states.



Ivana Damjanovic, Annemarie Elijah (on screen), Diana Davis, Steve Nerlich, Murray Raff

ESAANZ Conference 2020: ‘Europe in 2020: times of turbulence’, 1–3 December 2020

The European Studies Association Australia and New Zealand (ESAANZ) held its 2020 conference in December, exploring the turbulent times this year has brought.



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European Studies Association Australia and New Zealand

The COVID-19 pandemic has dominated international and national conversations, in Europe and elsewhere. Many other plans for the year have had to go on hold as political, economic and institutional actors have turned their focus to managing the pandemic and its health, welfare, economic and sociocultural impacts.

Times of turbulence and change in Europe are not restricted to the impacts of the pandemic. The landscape of European politics, both within and beyond the EU, is dominated by both internal political strife and tricky international relations. The legitimacy of states is being questioned in many countries in both Western and Eastern Europe, with often authoritarian responses. Events in the European neighbourhood, such as the tragic explosion in Beirut on 4 August, have had repercussions for EU foreign policy in particular. Many European countries are struggling as economic and political crises, such as recent events in Belarus, compound the impacts of the pandemic, especially on vulnerable populations such as refugees.

At the same time, a new leadership team in the EU is attempting to make its mark, in terms of both domestic and foreign policy, with the European Green Deal being one of its flagship initiatives. An historic European Council meeting in July 2020 adopted not only a new budget for 2021–27 but also a large Recovery Package, with the European Commission gaining new financial powers.

The ESAANZ Conference featured presentations, panel discussions and seminars discussing all things Europe in what has been a challenging year for all.

ESAANZ proudly co-sponsored this event together with:

- > The RMIT European Union Centre of Excellence
- > The Australian National University Centre for European Studies
- > The University of Canterbury National Centre for Research on Europe
- > The University of Sydney

One of the panels, ‘The V4 and the EU in times of turbulence’, was organised and chaired by ANUCES Deputy Director Dr Katarzyna Williams. Speaking from within and from outside the Visegrad states, the panel reflected on the current alliances and ruptures, radical movements, debates on EU migration and climate policies, and the future of the EU. The panel included presentations by:

- > **Dr Natasza Styczynska** (Jagiellonian University in Krakow) – Polish Eurosceptic and Europhobes and the Future of the EU
- > **Associate Professor Lenka Bustikova** (Arizona State University) – Radical Right Mobilization in Eastern Europe
- > **Dr Ivana Damjanovic and Associate Professor Nicolas de Sadeleer** (ANUCES) – EU Climate Change Neutrality: Between Solidarity and Green Economy
- > **Dr Katarzyna Williams** (ANUCES) – Migrants and Migration Debate in Europe: A Fresh Start or an Old Rift?

Additionally, ANUCES Visiting Fellows delivered presentations in individual sessions:

- > **Associate Professor Ottavio Quirico** – Sustainable Development: Carbon Neutrality versus Investment Protection?
- > **Dr Rita Parker** – Liberal Democracy in Action: Challenges and its Future
- > **Dr Pablo Jiménez** – Europe United in Diversity

For more information, visit:

<https://esaanz.org.au/events/esaanz-conference-2020/>



Farewell to Dr Elizabeth Buchanan



Elizabeth Buchanan

Dr Elizabeth Buchanan was a Jean Monnet research fellow at ANUCES, leading the Energy Policy Workshop project. Her research focused on Russian foreign energy strategy and Russian polar geopolitics. Although saddened by Dr Buchanan's departure, we wish her all the best in her new position as Lecturer in Strategic Studies, Australian War College, Deakin University. Dr Buchanan maintains her connection to ANUCES as a Visiting Fellow.

Roundtable: 'European memory', Dr Karol Nawrocki, Canberra, 19 February 2020

ANUCES hosted a roundtable discussion with Dr Karol Nawrocki, Director of the Museum of the Second World War in Gdańsk. Dr Nawrocki presented the aims and activities of the museum and discussed the significance of this year's commemoration of the Second World War, including the role of Polish soldiers in the war fronts in 1940 (80th anniversary) and the meaning of the end of the war in 1945 for Poland (75th anniversary).

Together with the museum delegation, Dr Nawrocki visited the Australian War Memorial and recorded interviews with Polish veterans living in Australia.

Roundtable: 'Climate and migration policies', Canberra, 25 February 2020

ANUCES hosted a roundtable discussion with MdB Wolfgang Kubicki, Vice-President of the German Bundestag, and associates from the German Delegation, Konrad Adenauer Foundation and ANUCES. The discussion focused on challenges posed by climate change and the subsequent effect this will have on the migration policies of the EU and EU member states.

EU COVID-19 pledge

On 24 February 2020, the EU pledged its support to global efforts in tackling the outbreak of COVID-19. The European Commission announced its new aid package worth €232 million. This was the beginning of their diligent and detailed response plan to support EU member states, neighbours and international partners during the pandemic. A detailed timeline of the EU's response actions can be found here: <http://bit.ly/EU-timeline>

EU—UK exit negotiations

The UK left the EU on 31 January 2020 and a transition period will end on 31 December 2020. So far there have been nine rounds of negotiations between the EU and the UK. At time of publication, both are still negotiating, hoping to conclude an agreement to govern future relations between them. More information on the next steps in the EU-UK new partnership can be found here: <http://bit.ly/2LHh5Ad>

EU COVID-19 recovery package

On 21 July, the European Commission finalised a comprehensive recovery package during discussions on its 2021—27 budget. A core component of this package aims to help rebuild the EU's economy after the COVID-19 pandemic, with a strong focus on further supporting the EU's Green Deal, including greater investments in green developments and transitions: <http://bit.ly/EU-recovery-plan>



Roundtable with Karol Nawrocki, February 2020



Roundtable with MdB Wolfgang Kubicki, February 2020

Webinar: ‘Governing cross-border clean technology dissemination: Three Scenarios’, Dr Wenting Cheng, 19 May 2020

ANUCES Associate Dr Wenting Cheng delivered a webinar focused on how states can work to promote cross-border clean technology transfer in this prevalent age of climate change. Dr Cheng discussed three ‘ideal’ ways of approaching the governance of cross-border clean technology dissemination on intellectual property systems. This is specifically referring to external restraints, internal balancing and IP expansion.

Webinar: ‘Sustaining French-Australian partnerships in the time of COVID-19’, 4 June 2020

The Embassy of France in Australia hosted this webinar in which one of the case studies included discussion on the PSL (Paris Sciences and Lettres) relationship with ANU.

Farewell to ANUCES Executive Director Professor Jacqueline Lo

After nine years as the Executive Director of ANUCES, Professor Jacqueline Lo handed the Centre’s leadership over to Ms Anne McNaughton in March 2020. Dr Katarzyna Williams then took up the Deputy Director role and has been working with Anne to manage and deliver the Centre’s research projects and events.



Jacqueline Lo

Professor Lo finished her stellar career at ANU to take on the role of Pro-Vice Chancellor (International)

at the University of Adelaide. In her new position, Professor Lo will drive Adelaide’s international strategy, partnerships and engagement.

Under Professor Lo’s leadership, ANUCES strengthened links to Europe and delivered a wide range of research activities in partnership with the European Union. Professor Lo continues as lead investigator and co-investigator on several ANUCES Jean Monnet research grants.

Professor Lo was also the Chair of Academic Board at ANU and Associate Dean (International) for the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences, and she will continue her relationship with ANU as Honorary Professor. The whole ANUCES community, ANU colleagues and friends wish her all the best in her new position.

Read ‘Professor Lo leaves ANU on a high’: <https://bit.ly/35w3sM5>

Europe Monitor: Youth voices on European affairs

A new ANUCES initiative coordinated by Erasmus Mundus student, Tom Baker.

It aims to bring together students and young researchers to share their personal experiences, disseminate their opinion pieces and promote their evidence-driven scholarly work. It seeks to enhance understanding of Europe in Australia and the wider region, and encourage international dialogue with a particular focus on views from the Indo-Pacific region.

The initiative also seeks to promote academic mobility, networking and research opportunities for young scholars who share an interest in Europe and European affairs.

For more information, visit: <https://www.theeuromonitor.com/>



ANUCES Research Fellow Dr John Besemeres

Review: Dr John Besemeres wrote a review for the publisher of the book *Putin's Russia and the Falsification of History Reasserting Control over the Past* by Anton Weiss-Wendt, (Bloomsbury Academic) 2020.

For information about the book visit: <https://bit.ly/2H5UyeE>



John Besemeres

ANUCES Associate Dr Mary Besemeres

Translation: Dr Mary Besemeres has published a translation of a fairy tale by Polish Jewish poet, Bolesław Leśmian: *The Adventures of Sindbad the Seafarer* (Przygody Sindbada Żeglarza). The translation features beautiful illustrations by Julia Konieczna. It is an unusual story – a version of the Arabian tale first published in Warsaw in 1913. Read about the story and its authors, flick through the book and see how the book ‘comes alive’ here: <https://www.mynameissindbad.com/>

Media: Dr Mary Besemeres spoke with Mandy Scott and Vesna Cvjetanin on *2xxfm 98.3 radio, Canberra Multicultural Voices*, 29 June 2020: <https://bit.ly/3qA1FxC>



Mary Besemeres

ANUCES Visiting Fellow Dr Ivana Damjanovic and former ANUCES Visiting Fellow Professor Nicholas de Sadeleer

Article: ‘Values and objectives of the EU in light of Opinion 1/17: “Trade for all”, above all’, *Europe and the World: A Law Review*, 6 July 2020: <https://bit.ly/2IGcBst>

Article: ‘Could the Coronavirus Strengthen Rather Than Threaten Geopolitical Europe?’, *Australian Outlook*, 11 June 2020: <https://bit.ly/3nqjAED>

Article: ‘The EU Coronavirus Recovery: Between Political Realities and “Next Generation” Aspirations’, *Australian Outlook*, 7 August 2020: <https://bit.ly/3eZ2eff>

ANUCES Visiting Fellow Dr Ivana Damjanovic

Article: ‘Behind the “Unforgivable” Political Row in Eastern Germany: An Uncanny Relationship with the Far-Right’, *Australian Outlook*, 17 February 2020: <https://bit.ly/36BohFO>

Media: ‘European Union negotiates trillion dollar bailout’, interview on *The Wire*, 6 July 2020. Ivana discusses the European Commission’s COVID-19 recovery package. Listen to the interview here: <https://bit.ly/3f0moW8>

ANUCES Visiting Fellows Dr Ivana Damjanovic and Associate Professor Ottavio Quirico

Article: ‘Intra-EU Investment Dispute Settlement under the Energy Charter Treaty in Light of Achmea and Vattenfall: A Matter of Priority’ in the *Columbia Journal of European Law*, Vol. 26, No. 1, 2019, pages 102-156, March 2020. This article analyses the

claim of Vattenfall, a Swedish energy company, against Germany’s decision to phase out nuclear energy in reaction to the 2011 Fukushima nuclear incident. Vattenfall versus Germany serves as a case study for explaining controversial issues of applicable law and jurisdiction in intra-EU investment disputes under the Energy Charter Treaty, and it is discussed in light of recent developments in the field of international investment and EU law: <https://bit.ly/3pvb3lJ>



Ivana Damjanovic



Ottavio Quirico

ANUCES Associate Professor Katherine Daniell and ANUCES Jean Monnet Research Fellows Dr Joseph Guillaume and Dr Ehsan Nabavi

Working paper: ‘Water reform for all: a national response to a water emergency’ with Matthew Colloff; Daniel Connell; Quentin Grafton; Lorrae van Kerkhoff; Aparna Lal; Virginia Marshall; Jamie Pittock; Katherine Taylor; Paul Tregoning; John Williams; and Paul Wyrwoll, ANU Crawford School of Public Policy, May 2020: <https://bit.ly/3nro3XG>

ANUCES Visiting Fellow Professor Diana Davis

Exhibition: Professor Diana Davis contributed to the exhibition '50 Treasures: Celebrating 50 years of James Cook University'. She was commissioned to write a piece about the significance of the series of six photographic portraits of the studio artist/teachers created by Michael Marzik. James Cook University is working with Perc Tucker Regional Gallery in Townsville to produce a high-quality exhibition catalogue. For more information, visit: <https://bit.ly/38GVFgc>



Diana Davis

ANUCES Visiting Fellow Associate Professor Stephen Fortescue

Article: 'Russia's civil service: professional or patrimonial? Executive-level officials in five federal ministries', *Post-Soviet Affairs*, Vol. 36, Issue 4, April 2020: <https://bit.ly/2K2mUYc>



Stephen Fortescue

ANUCES Associate Professor Catherine Frieman

Blog post: 'Revolutions So Remote: Revolutionary Thinking and Archaeological Inquiry', *Age of Revolutions*, June 2020. This is a peer-reviewed scholarly blog post reflecting on the idea of revolution in archaeology based on the work of V.G. Childe: <https://bit.ly/3f4Qfg3>



Catherine Frieman

ANUCES Jean Monnet Research Fellow Dr Joseph Guillaume

Article: 'Giving Legs to Handprint Thinking: Foundations for Evaluating the Good We Do' with Suvi Sojamo; Miina Porkka; Dieter Gerten; Mika Jalava; Leena Lankoski; Elina Lehtikoinen; Michael Lettenmeier; Stephan Pfister; Kirsi Usva; Yoshihide Wada; and Matti Kumm, *Earth's Future*, Vol. 8, Issue 6, 23 March 2020: <https://bit.ly/3no1B1K>

Article: 'Reflective communication to improve problem-solving pathways: Key issues illustrated for an integrated environmental modelling case study', with Fateme Zare; Anthony J. Jakeman; and Oveis Torabic, *Environmental Modelling & Software*, Vol. 126, April 2020: <https://bit.ly/35yjPaJ>

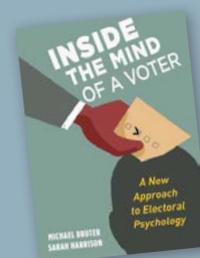
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Joseph Guillaume

Professor Michael Bruter and Dr Sarah Harrison

This new book by friends and former ANUCES Visiting Fellows, Professor Michael Bruter and Dr Sarah Harrison, has been published by Princeton University Press. Michael and Sarah were Jean Monnet Europa Policy Labs Visiting Fellows, focusing on optimising electoral ergonomics and the electoral experience of vulnerable voters, and engaging first time voters. *Inside the Mind of a Voter* offers an in-depth look into the psychology of voters around the world, how voters shape elections, and how elections transform citizens and affect their lives. The book invites readers on a journey inside the mind of a voter using unprecedented data from the United States, the United Kingdom, Germany, France, South Africa and Georgia throughout a period when the world evolved from the centrist dominance of Obama and Mandela to the shock victories of Brexit and Trump. Michael and Sarah explore three interrelated aspects of the heart and mind of voters: the psychological bases of their behaviour, how they experience elections and the emotions this entails, and how and when elections bring democratic resolution. The book looks at electoral identity, atmosphere, ergonomics, and hostility. For more information, visit: <https://bit.ly/3irn8Vc>



ANUCES Associate Professor Katherine Daniell

[Australian-French Association for Research and Innovation submission to the Senate Inquiry on opportunities for strengthening Australia's relations with the Republic of France, June 2020](#)

ANUCES Associate Professor Katherine Daniell appeared via teleconference before the Australian Senate Committee hearing regarding opportunities for strengthening Australia's relations with the Republic of France. Katherine is President of the Australian-French Association for Research and Innovation (AFRAN), Research Lead with the 3A Institute, Associate Dean (Education) in the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science, and Associate Professor at the ANU Fenner School of Environment and Society. AFRAN's submission highlights how France is a vital partner for Australia's research and innovation, and a gateway into broader European-based opportunities. Read the submission here: <https://bit.ly/3esf8RK> Read the Hansard of the hearing here: <https://bit.ly/38KLCXi>



Katherine Daniell

ANUCES Executive Director Anne McNaughton

Media: Asia & the Pacific Policy Society's *Democracy Sausage* podcast, 24 April 2020, 'Coronavirus crisis – there's an app for that'. Mark Kenny talks with Anne McNaughton, Mark Evans, and Marija Taflaga about the government's COVID-19 app, post-crisis tax and economics, and whether consensus politics has any chance of continuing after the pandemic. Listen to the podcast:

<https://bit.ly/36xHZkW>

Media: Anne McNaughton spoke with His Excellency Dr Michael Pulch, EU Ambassador and Head of the EU Delegation to Australia, about the EU institutions and Member State Sovereignty. Watch the conversation: <https://youtu.be/VMpTTINX5v4>

Media: On 11 December, Anne McNaughton spoke with Wolfgang Mueller from *SBS Deutsch* on his radio program, *Aus australischer Sicht*, about Chancellor Willy Brandt's Ostpolitik and the importance of the reconciliation in the EU peace project. Listen to the interview in German: <https://bit.ly/3gYIVEU>

Panel: Anne McNaughton participated in a panel for EURAEXESS — Researchers in Motion. For information about EURAEXESS, visit: <https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/>



Anne McNaughton

ANUCES Visiting Fellow Dr Sonia Mycak

Research project: 'The History of Ukrainian Literature in Australia', supported by the Ukrainian Studies Foundation in Australia. The project started in 2017 and aims to produce a book-length history of Ukrainian literature in Australia. Dr Mycak's research shows how Ukrainian-Australian literary culture has been community-driven, highly organised and structured; and Ukrainian-Australians have been dynamic and effective producers of literature for a known audience. The project will result in a detailed record of Ukrainian literary activity in Australia. Charting the development of this unique literary culture acknowledges the contribution made by Ukrainian-Australians.

Article: 'A candle of remembrance: Holodomor awareness month', November 2020: <https://bit.ly/3mlkdJQ>



Sonia Mycak

ANUCES Jean Monnet Research Fellow Dr Ehsan Nabavi and ANUCES Associate Professor Katherine Daniell

Article: 'AI for sustainability: A changing landscape', with Elizabeth T. Williams and Caitlin Bentley, *Artificial Intelligence for Better or Worse*, January 2020, pages 157–176: https://bit.ly/AI_futureleaders



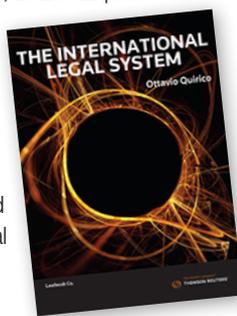
Ehsan Nabavi

ANUCES Visiting Fellow Associate Professor Ottavio Quirico

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Chapter: 'Nested Boxes: Tangible Cultural Heritage and Environmental Protection in Light of Climate Change', Anne-Marie Carstens and Elizabeth Varner, *Intersections in International Cultural Heritage Law*, 2020, pages 267-292: <https://bit.ly/3kvNU3E>

Book: *The International Legal System*, Thomson Reuters, 2020. Explains the rules that govern relations between international law subjects, including States, governmental and non-governmental organisations, corporations and individuals: <http://bit.ly/34wNIFm>



Media: 'Visions, needs and requirements for (future) research environments: An exploration with Marie Curie Fellow Ottavio Quirico', European Open Science Secretariat interview with Katharina Flicker, 1 April 2020: <https://bit.ly/3f2HkvJ>

ANUCES Jean Monnet Research Fellow Dr Rita Parker

Article: 'Is Australia's Defence Policy Right for the Times?', *Security Challenges*. Identifies strategic issues to be considered in reassessing Australia's defence policy: <https://bit.ly/2HQQBaw>



Rita Parker

ANUCES Deputy Director Dr Katarzyna Williams

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Natalie Arnould, Student Volunteer

I have been volunteering at ANUCES since the end of my ANIP internship in 2019. During this time, I have assisted with ANUCES events and publications, including working on the Centre's newsletter, whilst also completing my final year of full-time undergraduate study. Similarly to many other ANU students, COVID-19 has presented its own challenges with the introduction of remote learning. In the first few months of self-isolation, as I returned to Melbourne to virtually continue my studies, it was fantastic to see the Centre's community quickly and successfully transition to the new online environment.



Natalie Arnould

Constantine Karouzos, Australian National Internships Program

My internship at the ANU Centre of European Studies provided so many fantastic experiences and opportunities that I would not have had otherwise. From meeting and hosting foreign international delegations to sharing a cup of coffee and biscuits every Tuesday for a catch-up, ANUCES is a warm and welcoming community full of incredible people.

During my time as an intern I was also able to complete my own research project. My research focused on how the existence of a policy dissonance and a lack of cohesion between Greek and EU immigration policy exacerbated humanitarian crises in the Mediterranean Ocean, hence undermining EU stability and credibility in maintaining the European liberal order. ANUCES was the perfect

placement for me to pursue this research topic that is close to my heart. Importantly, the Centre allowed me to build upon my professional development alongside the incredibly friendly and intelligent community.



Constantine Karouzos

Ieva Salnaite, Australian National Internships Program

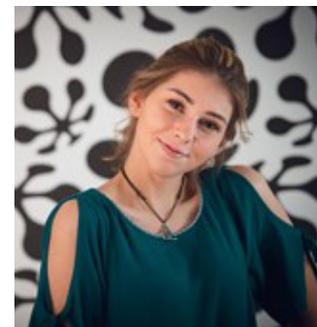
Having spent a semester in Australia already, I felt deprived of Europeaness in my life. But by a lucky chance, the Australian National Internships Program assigned me to complete my placement in the ANU Centre for European Studies, a place I felt fit my interests and background perfectly. From the moment I set foot in the Centre, I felt as if I was at home!

The Centre, from day one, became a place of possibilities and invitations, and of knowledge and discussions. Indeed, the very first day I came in for a brief chat, I left with an invitation to attend an event the same day. Honestly, had I known it would be a roundtable with the President of the German Bundestag, I probably would have changed out of my sandals! The first lesson I learned in the Centre: always ask for details.

Even though the global pandemic cut my in-person internship experience short, my supervisor Kasia (ANUCES Deputy Director Katarzyna Williams) was an absolute gem, and we still had plenty of hour-long conversations about Poland and Lithuania over the phone to satisfy my craving for intercultural disagreement. Writing my ANIP research report on Polish and Lithuanian history education in terms of their national and European identity-building was extremely interesting. In the end, we concluded that, whilst national identity-building

often depends on historic myths and storytelling, maybe 'Europeaness' is more of a civic identity, and its negotiation takes place outside of history textbooks. This is a conclusion I would have never reached had I not spent hours upon hours studying Lithuanian and Polish curricula.

In the end, even in COVID-19 isolation, ANUCES was a welcoming place, a home away from home for Europeans and non-Europeans alike. Writing this from Europe, I can only hope that my path will cross again with the Centre and the people there, because the work they're doing at ANU is truly inspiring.



Ieva Salnaite

Lauren Tidd, Australian National Internships Program

The effects of COVID-19 have been near all encompassing, both in university and everyday life, with my experience as an ANIP intern being no different. As a final year undergraduate in a Bachelor of International Relations, it has been an interesting year to undertake distance, combination and in-person learning as well as graduate from my three-year degree. Though this was anticlimactic in some ways with the lack of ceremony and finality, it has also been rewarding as I have been able to complete a major university degree during a time of global uncertainty.

ANIP was also drastically affected as hosts and students alike had to suddenly adapt to remote or significantly altered working and studying conditions. With the restrictions, social distancing and managing university with a whole new learning system, this year was challenging. However, undertaking ANIP with ANUCES was as rewarding and

educational as it would have been in normal circumstances. There may not have been as many events to assist with, but it was a valuable experience to learn how to manage engagement with research teams and keep working on the research projects that still needed to be completed — this refers to my own ANIP project too — all within the wider, all-encompassing effects of COVID-19.

For my ANIP project I analysed the increasingly unstable position of Ukraine's energy security and examined how EU policy has affected this situation. This is an increasingly pressing issue for European security, as the stability of Ukraine is vital in assuring security to EU states reliant on Ukraine for liquid natural gas (LNG) from Russia for industry.

Russia and Ukraine's increasingly negative relations have resulted in the worsening of Ukraine's security overall. Ukraine is still reliant on Russia for a major part of its industry, and it maintains a geopolitically strategic position Russia is interested in. This project would not have been possible without the advice and guidance from ANUCES, and I thank the Centre for its continued support.



Lauren Tidd

Lottie Twyford, Australian National Internships Program

I have thoroughly enjoyed my experience as an ANIP intern with ANUCES. Even with all the disruptions COVID has caused, I was still able to go into the Centre to work in the office and make some really valuable connections. Whether it was helping with briefing papers, event management or admin tasks, attending morning teas and mini graduation

ceremonies, or even helping move ANUCES to a new location, I was really made to feel welcome at the Centre.

I am profoundly grateful for the support I was given whilst working on my ANIP report, 'The Reconciliation of Memory: Macron, the Algerian War and Algerian Migrant Integration in France', but also thankful for the freedom I was given in being able to decide on my project's scope. I was then offered an opportunity to develop my project into an ANUCES Briefing Paper.



Lottie Twyford

Alexander Weltin, Australian National Internships Program

I have researched precarious working conditions of posted workers and their policy-based causes in Germany's meat industry for the Australian National Internships Program. I completed ANIP remotely, based in my hometown of Munich, Germany, so I had a truly bold and new campus experience for my final semester at ANU.

Interning at ANUCES through ANIP inspired me to pursue EU-focused policy research as a possible career path. After all, I am taking up a research intern position with a Lithuania-based policy consulting firm and I'm hoping to start my master-level studies on European Politics and Society in Prague next year. This goes to show my deep interest in and appreciation of the EU in general and particularly its Central and Eastern European members.



Alexander Weltin

Jonathon Zubrzycki, Student Volunteer

I have been volunteering and assisting ANUCES with social media and website management. This year I have also been continuing my full-time study to graduate at the end of 2020. Remote learning has certainly been a new adjustment, but it is still a positive experience.



Jonathon Zubrzycki



Tom Baker

Tom Baker, Erasmus Mundus Student and coordinator of ANUCES Europe Monitor

I am studying an Erasmus Mundus Joint Master degree in European Politics and Society. No doubt the most appealing feature of the program is its cross-institutional nature that allows students to spend their semesters between different universities all over Europe. I spent the 2020 summer semester at the Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Poland, which started in February with the usual buzz and excitement of what the weeks ahead would offer. COVID-19 at the time was more of an observable phenomenon, as Italy and Spain were two of the first to be struck hard by the virus. It took only a few days for the first cases to breakout over Europe and then COVID-19 became a reality in the form of a very serious lockdown.

The Polish Government swiftly closed borders and banned public gatherings. Universities closed and many international students returned to their home countries. Jagiellonian University's teachers and administration deserve a lot of praise for quickly moving to an online format and bending over backwards to accommodate each student's needs in this unique situation, as it really did require a 'horses for courses' approach.

It was early to mid-March when the Polish Government gave us three days' notice before its decision to close Poland's borders and halt air traffic. Getting back to Australia loomed as a logistical nightmare, but given the uncertainty with the situation I was also keen to sit tight and see how it might unfold. I was regularly in touch with the Australian Embassy in Warsaw who advised me that if I wished to return home I should do so immediately... but I did not. Perhaps I was naively optimistic that things might begin to re-open sooner than they in fact did.

The Polish Government was accommodating to non-Polish citizens and extended application deadlines for people who, like myself and many of my fellow students, had not yet finalised visa applications. I was part-way through having my Czech Residency Permit recognised in Poland as part of newly implemented EU legislation, 'student mobility', which allows third-country nationals to stay in Poland for study purposes as long as their residency permit is valid in another Schengen country. This seemed a logical choice, given that I only planned to stay in Poland for a semester. Naturally, this recognition process stalled at the outbreak of the pandemic. However, since the legislation had only recently been adopted, it was likely that my student mobility would not be respected at the border and I would be denied entry to Poland should I try to leave and re-enter. This made the decision whether to return to Australia more difficult.

The semester grinded along amidst the strict lockdown measures. My routine essentially boiled down to study, going for runs, commutes to the grocery store and the odd catch-up with a friend. It was not all bad and I was not alone. A few of my international classmates

also remained in Kraków. It was good to have people in the same boat with which to share the experience, and we developed a nice bit of solidarity. Walking with friends around Kraków's Old Town, it was astounding how eerie it had become. I had visited Kraków before in mid-summer and seen it bustling with people, but now Kraków resembled something of a ghost town with often no one but myself in the famous main square, 'Rynek Główny'. It is hard to imagine the city looking like this again in the near future, and I constantly reminded myself of this. In this sense, the lockdown in such an old city had its charm and I can look back fondly on my time there.

My decision to return to Australia was driven by a few things. The government decided face-to-face classes would remain cancelled until at least the new semester in September. There was the looming prospect of lockdown for the European summer and I did not like the idea of remaining almost exclusively in my studio apartment for that amount of time. Options to return to Australia were not only dwindling but becoming more complex.

Once I decided to return to Australia I had only three or four days to get organised, and getting home certainly proved challenging. Poland did not have any air traffic and the closest place offering flights out of Europe was Frankfurt, Germany. Fortunately I secured one of the last seats on a flight to Melbourne, but was still faced with the challenge of reaching the German-Polish border and then entering Germany. I managed to secure a seat on an overnight bus to Berlin — the first bus leaving Polish territory in two months.

I wrote to the Australian Embassy in Warsaw who made me an official Australian document addressed to the German government requesting access to Germany for transit purposes. Strangely enough the bus did not have to stop at the German border, nor was I asked to show evidence of being a bona fide transitor. The bus arrived in Berlin in the middle of the night and I took a cab to Tegel airport, then waited ten hours for my flight to Frankfurt. Eventually, I made it home to Australia.

At the time of writing, the prospect of returning to the Czech Republic for my second year of study is promising. Australia is on the list of 'low risk' countries published by the Czech Government who are allowed entry into the country. Technically I am still a legal resident of the Czech Republic for study purposes, so even during the initial peak of the crisis I would still have been able to enter the territory irrespective of my nationality. As I see it, there is reason to be optimistic as a student in Europe, and it would be safe to assume my fellow classmates and I are all eager to return to the classroom at the nearest and safest possible opportunity.



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