

00:10:51 Sumithri Venketasubramaniann: Hi all - Sumithri from The Australia Institute here, joining from Ngunnawal and Ngambri Country. Thanks for joining us today. Looking forward to a great webinar!

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00:11:10 Rudolf (Rudy) Blums: Hallo from Belgrave, Wurundjeri land.

00:11:17 Remy Shergill: Hola, calling in from Wurundjeri country

00:11:33 maree fudge: Hello from nipaluna/Hobart in lutruwita/Tasmania

00:12:05 Mike Aubrey: hiya folks

00:12:50 Robert Riessen: HELLO EVERYONE Bob Riessen

00:12:54 Russell Johnstone: Russell here, now in Ngadjuri Country in the Barossa, fine and sunny

00:12:55 Mike Aubrey: Saw Ebony on ABC news this am 👍

00:12:57 Dr Bev: Hello everyone from Kaurana Country (Adelaide Plains)

00:13:03 Ks Williams: kegsta from Thenewblurt.substack.com..looking forward to another poll position

00:13:42 Stephen Pritchard: Hi from Wardandi country!

00:14:23 Tegan Roberts: Hello from Wardandi Country as well.

00:14:28 Marjorie Henzell: Greetings from Anaiwan Country (Armidale NSW). Have already read Sarah's great article in The Guardian this morning. greetings from Anaiwan Country (Armidale NSW).

00:15:17 John Knox: Hello from Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung land in beautiful down-town Airport West

00:17:10 jennifer manson: yes all good

00:18:20 Cory Dal Ponte: I like to be reminded how unpopular he is. Thanks Pete.

00:18:40 Cate Cooper: 😊

00:19:03 Anne Layton-Bennett: Likewise, Cory. Dutton has just shown how irrelevant he is with that refusal to attend the summit.

00:19:14 Tony Simons: Sullen Dutton has less charisma than Scotty. He makes no effort to hide his nastiness.

00:19:17 Wence Rivera: I think the less is said about the opposition leader, the better. Especially if he doesn't want to be involved in a conversation.

00:19:39 Cory Dal Ponte: Couldn't have been bigger miscalculation to not attend while David Littleproud did

00:20:20 Ed Parry: Used those powers...

00:21:11 Raffaele D'Angelo: Morrison has to explain his position.

00:21:24 Cory Dal Ponte: His 6 positions*

00:22:36 Tegan Roberts: Seriously public servants are accountable and not immune from investigation no matter what position they hold or held.

00:23:07 Raffaele D'Angelo: Failure to investigate the PM ability to obtain so many positions undermines integrity of all in government.

00:24:03 maree fudge: re fed icac power - did DL mean police (what he said) or politics (as per the slide)?

00:24:25 maree fudge: sorry I meant PL not DI

00:25:07 Dr Bev: He meant politics said it a little later as Coalition wanted to remove politics

00:25:22 maree fudge: thanks Dr Bev.

00:25:32 Dr Bev: My pleasure

00:26:16 Dr Bev: Yes, there's more to corruption than criminality :)

00:26:50 Raffaele D'Angelo: nice list of corruption 🙏

00:27:00 John Knox: How about the awarding of high value contracts to party political contractors?

00:27:06 Dr Bev: Yes!

00:27:10 Cate Cooper: ++

00:27:15 Cory Dal Ponte: Definitely should be on the list

00:27:57 Shirley Allen: How about the governor general?

00:27:57 Alan Coligado: There needs to be a bigger intersection between criminality and corruption.

00:28:11 Peter Mulherin: Can we expect or stipulate exemplary standard? What is good for business is minimum standard for politics?

00:31:46 Tony Simons: Albo is a consensus leader without a big ego.

00:32:12 Robert Delves: Unlike Rudd

00:33:28 Robert Riessen: Like racism Integrity starts with 'us' or me

00:34:39 Eileen Whitehead: My concern with the ALP is the early indication that although they say they support renewables, they are going along the same old lines of more gas mining, more coal mining etc. Our politicians seem to be controlled by the fossil fuel companies.

00:35:46 Russell Johnstone: Now puts what is occurring in UK and US in stark contrast. Sadly, big money will not give up power willingly....so wait for the inevitable backlashing to get going again. Remember the way politics were conducted in the previous Labour Government.

00:35:52 Robert Delves: Agree. King is perhaps even worse than Pitt

00:36:33 Cory Dal Ponte: I think that's a bit far...

00:36:43 Cory Dal Ponte: Keith Pitt was a nightmare.

00:37:15 Jenny Ransley: EW that is my main concern re the Albanese government too.

00:37:31 Stephen Pritchard: Thanks, Bill. Very helpful explanation of some of the benefits of this model of an integrity commission.

00:39:11 Stephen Pritchard: 'Merit-based appointments' - what a great idea!

00:39:20 Howard WHITTON: What is the best model for control of an ICAC? Recent experience in Qld suggests a Parly Cttee is not workable...

00:40:07 Jenny Ransley: The stage three tax cuts MUST be scrapped!

00:40:18 Cate Cooper: Not easy to break the election promise, but it might be more painful and unpopular to deny help to lower income or non-income earners due to 'budget constraints'

00:40:22 Alan Coligado: Weren't the tax cuts legislated before the election campaign?

00:40:36 Cate Cooper: yes Alan.

00:40:37 Cory Dal Ponte: That's correct Alan

00:41:01 Robert Delves: Big deal. So was the Gillard Clean Energy Package

00:41:04 Cate Cooper: Labor argued that no-one could know what the economy would look like in 2024

00:41:09 Kathryn Boles: Robert and Cory. I'm missing something here. Could you explain about Keith Pitt and King please. Pitt MP for Hinkler? Forgive my ignorance.

00:41:13 Alan Coligado: So arguably it wasn't an election promise.

00:41:23 Ks Williams: always awesome gott go..Thenewblurt.substack.com

00:41:38 John Knox: Call your local member and then also call the Treasurer's department - I did so yesterday...

00:41:46 David Fraser: That was rude Peter. Speaking over Sarah.

00:42:05 Cory Dal Ponte: Kathryn, Keith Pitt was the resource minister who couldn't even utter the word battery or renewables. Catherine King is being relatively pro resources

00:42:14 Dr Bev: I'm quietly confident the Stage 3 tax cuts will be abolished

00:42:16 Cate Cooper: 22 months is not that long Ebony

00:42:18 Calista Zagorski:How do we do that Peter? What can we as citizens do to create those conditions to make them untenable? Citizens have been pushing for climate change for years and they still ignore us.

- 00:42:29 Darryl Fallow: I think Labor is secretly wanting a hue and cry from the public re abandoning Stage 3 cuts, so they can justify the change.
- 00:42:59 Cate Cooper: Reduce the threshold for 30% to \$120,000
- 00:43:01 Dr Bev: Flattening the progressive tax scales is unacceptable
- 00:43:08 Brian O'Farrell: Absolutely spot on, and not enough solutions from whingers. Conditions need to be in place that overwhelming consensus to scrap stage 3 cuts without taking an election hit. A "promise worth breaking".
- 00:43:15 Kathryn Boles: Ah, thank you, Cory. I forgot her name for a moment.
- 00:43:39 Cory Dal Ponte: The thing people are forgetting is that more than 70% of people voted for a party that said they won't abolish the tax cuts.
- 00:43:41 Elizabeth robinson: Why on earth did Labor agree to these tax cuts in the first place???
- 00:43:43 Tony Simons: Albo is putting a big emphasis on courting the female vote.
- 00:44:05 Dr Bev: Let's hope the mainstream media don't scream "broken promise yedda yedda" LOL -- not hopeful about that
- 00:44:18 Stephen Pritchard: Yes, John Knox. We could all start to lobby our Senators and Reps to drop the stage 3 tax cuts. And maybe in the 2023 budget they could change their position.
- 00:44:24 Raffaele D'Angelo: The lense of corruption should definitely focus on appointments, in particular Government Boards, Committees and who reports on what but the appointments to Risk, Audit and Improvement Committees needs some attention. Perhaps even the creation of way of reviewing what is discussed. Why are Committee meetings not recorded rather than written minutes?
- 00:44:30 Cory Dal Ponte: That was such a great article!
- 00:44:39 sheila pollard: I agree CD. from SP
- 00:44:53 Cate Cooper: Has to be a tweak that either has reduces the threshold or introduces a budget repair levy
- 00:45:07 Russell Johnstone: 240 billion is roughly half on one year's Federal Budget....could debilitate government
- 00:45:09 Cate Cooper: I reckon \$120,000 is about right
- 00:45:41 Anne Layton-Bennett: Got to go but thanks for another great discussion
- 00:46:12 Howard WHITTON: "When the facts change, I change my opinion. What do you do?" (JM Keynes, roughly paraphrased). PM has been hinting at this escape clause, and La Tingle has predicted it.
- 00:46:40 Dr Bev: I agree with La Tingle :))
- 00:47:06 jannene kyytsonen: Finland= higher taxes and societal happiness versus USA = low tax and poor wealth distribution and deja vu of previous civil unrest of us and them. Its a no brainer about which economic we should follow.

00:47:19 Hank Doll: and the facts have changed dramatically

00:47:48 Cate Cooper: Finland - Also free education including childcare and university

00:48:31 Darryl Fallow: @Cate Cooper - Not 'free' education - they pay for this via their taxes (which is fine)

00:48:42 Russell Johnstone: Aaaah, the Minerals Council....such a fine upstanding and public spirited body....

00:48:58 Cate Cooper: Not 'User pays' Darryl

00:49:08 Darryl Fallow: Agree!

00:49:10 Dr Bev: LOL Russell

00:49:14 Cory Dal Ponte: Bring on the super profits tax.

00:49:34 Hank Doll: super tax

00:49:45 Brian O'Farrell: no problem with fossil fuel exports continuing but fossil fuel subsidies should be eliminated and fair resource and super profits taxes introduced

00:49:46 Cate Cooper: Bring on ANY tax from Fossil Fuel Corporations Cory!

00:49:56 Cory Dal Ponte: Agreed!

00:50:13 Darryl Fallow: @Cory - I can't understand why Labor does not go down the Super profits tax route, as mentioned by Garnaut - a previous Labor advisor

00:50:14 Hank Doll: a fossil fuel tax that is being paid

00:51:00 Cate Cooper: Australia gives its resources away for free to foreign owned FF corporations, and THEN gives subsidies and doesn't tax

00:51:03 Cory Dal Ponte: They could have political cover for this too because they're focused on new taxes and closing loopholes for multinationals.

00:51:23 Tony Simons: The \$8B diesel fuel rebate which includes BHP and RIO should be removed.

00:51:29 Hank Doll: the loop holes require closing fast

00:51:42 Cory Dal Ponte: that's the first priority before new taxes

00:51:44 Russell Johnstone: Agree Peter, already very busy....

00:51:54 Cory Dal Ponte: make sure they're paying the taxes we have already

00:52:00 Cate Cooper: Australians should realise they are being ripped off, for no benefit at all

00:52:14 Brian O'Farrell: and realistic bonds or insurance for rehabilitation of mining activities so these costs do not fall onto the public purse

00:52:15 Cory Dal Ponte: YES Peter

00:52:30 Nic Mavrogiannis: well said peter

- 00:52:52 Cory Dal Ponte: Can't get anywhere if they get booted out next term.
- 00:52:57 Tony Simons: Hydrogen production should be further encouraged. Blue hydrogen is already competitive with green hydrogen competitive in 2025.
- 00:53:11 John Knox: Super profits tax reduces somewhat war profiteering which is what is happening at present...
- 00:53:33 Russell Johnstone: Scaling back government support for diplomatic efforts to ensure smooth path for the export of Australian fossil fuel exports anyone?
- 00:53:38 John Knox: CCS is a pipe dream
- 00:53:47 Cory Dal Ponte: quite literally John
- 00:54:23 jannene kyytsonen: When will the solar connection from Central Aussie to SE Asia kick-in? perhaps that can sell the new energy industry model
- 00:54:27 Cate Cooper: and if the CO2 is stored underground in permeable rock, what's to stop it escaping?
- 00:54:37 John Sneddon: And Trickle down economics!
- 00:54:52 Hank Doll: CCS is very much the same as a unicorn
- 00:55:13 Russell Johnstone: Perfect Hank
- 00:55:16 Cate Cooper: Everybody is looking for one, but they don't exist? Hank
- 00:55:39 Hank Doll: well that is so true about CCS
- 00:56:24 Russell Johnstone: Everyone knows what they look like....no one has ever seen one!
- 00:56:30 Dr Bev: Plus "double" appointments! e.g. two government jobs!!
- 00:56:53 jannene kyytsonen: Okay solar energy link to Singapore via undersea cable expected by 2027
- 00:57:48 Cory Dal Ponte: The charity without an office or staff.....
- 00:58:13 Cate Cooper: Sounds like the Paladin (sp?) affair
- 00:58:28 Dr Bev: Plus \$4m per annum with no end date
- 00:58:41 Tony Simons: Looks like the Greens and some Teals will stop this secretive project. Hurley is no better than Hollingsworth and should go.
- 00:58:57 Dr Bev: Agree Tony
- 00:59:31 jennifer manson: Is it true that the future leaders grant is targeted at elite already privileged boys going to private Christian schools and also with monarchist views?
- 01:00:05 Tony Simons: Abbott style elitism
- 01:01:02 John Knox: My son lives in Bright, Vic, and has found it VERY difficult to find a rental because of AirBNB

- 01:01:05 jannene kyytsonen: Could end up with frightening social class living in mobile homes as in USA= gig economy at its worst
- 01:01:25 Cory Dal Ponte: It's impossible to rent in Mt Beauty or Bright John, have some mates out there
- 01:01:32 Cory Dal Ponte: Rentals and property prices have exploded
- 01:01:41 Cory Dal Ponte: more than doubled in the past year
- 01:01:46 Russell Johnstone: Rental crisis in the Barossa for the same reason...
- 01:02:12 Cate Cooper: Same in the Coonawarra Russell
- 01:02:21 Linda Peach: more than under 30s - massive issue for older women
- 01:02:33 Hank Doll: MMT can solve a lot of these capital problems
- 01:02:44 Cory Dal Ponte: Love seeing the greens being a more effective opposition than the LNP.
- 01:02:54 Cate Cooper: Certainly the budget restraint ones Hank!
- 01:02:55 Russell Johnstone: Yes Cate, tourism and wine labour now in short supply as a consequence
- 01:02:56 John Knox: If the landlords don't want rental freeze, perhaps they should lose their negative gearing and capital gains
- 01:04:24 Russell Johnstone: Thanks everyone for a great session as always....
- 01:04:33 Dean Tregenza: Analysis by Duncan Rouch, a researcher affiliated with the Victorian Greens' housing and homelessness working group, suggests the current total waitlist equates to approximately 119,350 people at a conservative estimate.21 May 2022
- 01:05:19 Dean Tregenza: That is in Victoria alone.
- 01:05:32 Cate Cooper: How can childcare reforms brought forward without the facilities set up to provide the early education??
- 01:05:43 Brian O'Farrell: the grifters in child, disability and aged care should be booted and the whole system rebuilt from the ground up
- 01:06:15 Hank Doll: Privatisation has been the bad genie in a lot of things.
- 01:06:30 jennifer manson: ATO data shows it's the owners and directors of child-care that are making lots of money, whilst staff are paid badly
- 01:06:45 Cate Cooper: exactly Jennifer
- 01:07:25 Cate Cooper: It needs to be government run like primary schools
- 01:07:34 John Knox: Climate refugees are coming in the near future - Sri Lanka...
- 01:07:41 jannene kyytsonen: @Peter Lewis, great to see housing knowledge and thinking by AI, as it is a big problem as you have said. From a parent with couch surfing quasi tenants.
- 01:07:53 Dr Bev: Excellent webinar and chat. Thanks Ebony, Bill, Peter & Sarah

01:08:11 John Knox: Thanks everyone

01:08:16 Tegan Roberts: Thank you - very valuable insights.

01:08:22 Hank Doll: Growing public funding needs can be solved with MMT

01:08:23 Richard Naylor: Thank you

01:08:23 Darryl Fallow: Thanks all - Excellent webinar and chat.

01:08:23 Cory Dal Ponte: Will there be recordings of the summit Eb?

01:08:24 sheila pollard: Thank you all.

01:08:25 Sumithri Venketasubramaniann: Thanks to all for joining us today. For details about upcoming webinars, head to <https://australiainstitute.org.au/events/webinars/>

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Enjoy the rest of your day!

01:08:25 Christine Buschmann: thanks you, great discussion

01:08:26 Alan Coligado: Thank you all.

01:08:30 Calista Zagorski: Thank you All, Ebony, Sarah, Bill and Peter, very enjoyable discussion.

01:08:34 Jan SMith: Thank you all. Great as always.

01:08:35 Mary Stephens: Once again, a great session!

01:08:36 jannene kyytsonen: Th x all at AI

01:08:37 jennifer manson: Thanks everyone again!!!

01:08:37 Cory Dal Ponte: Great discussion and thanks panel!

01:08:37 Sophia McGrane: cheers team! excellent session as usual

01:08:40 Liz Ryan: wonderful and enlightened panel, thank you all

01:08:42 Jay Wilson: great work guys!

01:08:45 Stephen Pritchard: Great session!

01:08:53 Cate Cooper: 👍

01:08:53 Marcus Adamson: thanks all!

01:08:55 Linda Peach: 👍

01:08:56 Hank Doll: thanks as usual

01:09:00 Ajaya Jayarao: thanks folks

01:09:01 Merrill O'Donnell: Thank you - excellent discussion

01:09:08 Raffaele D'Angelo: Grazie