



## Understanding India: a complex strategic partner

India is rising to greater prominence in Australia's external relations against a backdrop of great power transitions and growing strategic rivalry in the Indo-Pacific region. The Prime Minister has described India as a natural and like-minded partner with shared values and interests, while the Foreign Minister has described closer ties with India as critical for providing ballast in the region and the international system. This intensive one-day program critically considers India's place as a global strategic player and key partner for Australia, focussing on economics; foreign, defence and strategic policy; societal and demographic enablers and constraints; and the implications of these complex factors for Australian policy and decision makers.

The program is designed for practitioners who would benefit from a deeper understanding of India and the opportunities and limitations of closer Australia – India relations.

**2020 program date:** 4 February

**Venue:** #132 Crawford Building, Lennox Crossing, ANU

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**Cost:** \$1,300 (GST ex) for government, \$1,560 (GST ex) open rate.

Course is fully catered and parking permit is supplied.

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