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Conference to discuss APEC's destiny starts 18 April

"Today marks five weeks till the start of the Annual Conference of APEC Centres", said Alan Oxley, chairman of the Australian APEC Study Centre.

The conference, themed 'Driving Growth – APEC's Destiny', an official meeting of the APEC Australia 2007 schedule, will be held in **Melbourne from 18 – 20 April at the ANZ Pavilion, Victorian Arts Centre.**

Although a single conference spanning almost three full days, the content is divided into two parts, with the second part of the conference aimed specifically at the business community. All the details about the various parts of the conference, as well as venue information, accommodation options and visa forms are available at the website, which can be accessed at:

www.apec-centresconference2007.org

Information about registration is also at the site. Since registration is only being conducted online, all interested registrants need to access the site and fill in their details in order to participate in the conference. Three types of registration fees are available, but a special fee for media can also be negotiated.

A full conference program is also available at the site along with a listing of the associated social events. Program updates will continue to be posted at the site. The conference will feature presentations by representatives of the World Bank, the Reserve Bank of Australia, the New Zealand Treasury, the Cato Institute, the Korea Institute for International Economic Policy, the Australian Department of Health and Ageing and a number of other local and international trade and economic institutions. Some of the sessions will discuss topical issues such as climate change, emissions trading and pandemics.

For further information about the conference and the speakers, please visit the website or contact the Australian APEC Study Centre at Monash University on 03-9903 8757.

About the Australian APEC Study Centre in 2007

The Australian APEC Study Centre at Monash University forms part of an international network of Study Centres located throughout the Asia-Pacific. The Centre works to inform the broader Australian community of the growing importance of trade integration, economic progress and relations in the region by engaging academia, the public sector and private enterprise to publish research, stage conferences and deliver training programs on matters concerning Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation.



In 2007 as part of the official APEC Australia 2007 schedule of events, the Australian APEC Study Centre is responsible for hosting the Annual Conference of APEC Centres.

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