‘Ethics and Integrity in Parliament: Emerging Perspectives’
A Conference of The Parliamentary Studies Centre, ANU

Parliament House, Committee Room 2S1*, Canberra

Monday 30 November 2009

9.30am  Welcome:    Prof John Uhr, ANU; Howard Whitton, U of Canberra

Opening:  Mr Harry Jenkins, Speaker, The House of Representatives

Session 1:  9.45am - 10.15am

How Did the Existing System of Self-Regulation Emerge?

CHAIR:  [TBA]

Dr Rosemary Laing, Deputy Clerk, The Senate

Mr Bernard Wright, Deputy Clerk, The House of Representatives

Session 2:  10.15am - 11.00am

How Effective is the Existing System of Self-Regulation?

CHAIR:  [TBA]

Mr Andrew Murray

Senator Jacinta Collins

Senator Gary Humphries

11.00am-11.30am    Coffee Break
Session 3: 11.30am - 1.00pm

How Could Other Mechanisms and Institutions Support Self-Regulation?

CHAIR: [TBA]

Mr Andrew Bartlett

Prof Tom Campbell, Charles Sturt University

Senator Kate Lundy

Mr Jack Waterford, The Canberra Times

Dr David Solomon AM

1.00pm-1.45pm Lunch Break

Session 4: 1.45pm - 3.15pm

What Forms of Integrity System Work Internationally?

CHAIR: Prof John Uhr

Prof Mark Evans, University of Canberra: A UK Perspective

Dr Stanley Bach, Washington: A USA Perspective

Prof Elizabeth McLeay, Victoria University, Wellington: A New Zealand Perspective

Dr Zeger van der Wal, University of Amsterdam: The Netherlands Perspective

Dr Rodney Smith, University of Sydney: A Commonwealth Perspective

3.15-3.30pm Coffee Break
Session 5: 3.30pm - 5.00pm

What Does Canberra Need in an Integrity System?

CHAIR: Mr Howard Whitton

Prof Brian Costar, Swinburne U: The Victorian Parliament’s system?

Mr Stephen Skehill, Ethics Adviser, ACT Legislative Assembly: An Ethics Adviser?

Ms Melissa Parke, MP: A new approach to Integrity?

Mr Gary Crooke QC, Queensland Integrity Commissioner (Ret’d 2009): An Integrity Commissioner?

Prof Scott Prasser – Australian Catholic University: A New Etiology – What do we think is the problem, exactly?

Close: Rapporteurs: Howard Whitton, John Uhr

5:30 - Reception for Speakers and Panel Members

*Please assemble at the front foyer of Parliament House by 9.15 am on the day to collect a security pass. Guests who have been unable to RSVP by Friday 27 November will still be welcome and staff will be on hand to assist.