

# The Science of Climate Change

## Ross Garnaut

Launch of Update Paper five <

Thursday 10 March 2011 <

5.45 for 6.00pm – 7.00pm <

Stanley Burbury Theatre, <  
University of Tasmania,  
Churchill Avenue, Hobart

No registration required

In November 2010, Ross Garnaut was commissioned to provide an update to his 2008 Climate Change Review for the Australian Government and community. Professor Garnaut will release eight Update papers ahead of delivering his final report to the Prime Minister by 31 May 2011.

In Hobart, Professor Garnaut will launch his fifth update paper, examining the data on temperature, sea level rise and extreme events from recent years in the context of longer term trends, and the implications for the emissions reduction task. He will also reflect on the public debate in recent years about the strength of the science.

### About the speaker

Ross Garnaut is one of Australia's most distinguished and well-known economists. He is an Officer of the Order of Australia for services to education and international relations. Based in the Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies at the Australian National University from 1972 to 2008, he was Professor of Economics from 1989 to 2008. Professor Garnaut is now Vice-Chancellor's Fellow and Professorial Fellow in Economics at the University of Melbourne. Separately to the Climate Change Review Update, he is also an independent adviser to the Multi-Party Climate Change Committee.

From 1985-88, Professor Garnaut was the Australian Ambassador to China, and he served as principal Economic Adviser to Prime Minister R.J.L. Hawke from 1983-85. Professor Garnaut is the author of numerous books and reports, including *The Great Crash of 2008* (2009, Melbourne University Publishing), and *Australia and the Northeast Asian Ascendancy* (1989).

