

## **European Integration at 60: Progress, Problems, Perspectives**

## 25 – 26 November 2010, Lincoln University, Canterbury, NZ

This year marks the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Schuman Declaration that called for greater cooperation between European states and from which was born the European Coal and Steel Community, the fore-runner of today's European Union. Since then, European Integration has changed face dramatically. From six original members focused on sharing control of Europe's Coal and Steel industries it has grown into the European Union, which now boasts a membership of 27 Member States; undertakes monetary policy for the Eurozone; influences social and human rights policy; and provides a framework for European constitutional and criminal laws. The Lisbon Treaty is again reworking European Integration, with new roles and responsibilities for the EU, its institutions and citizens. How will this impact on Europe? How will this impact on the rest of the World?

This is a multidisciplinary conference to investigate the past changes and future challenges faced by European Integration, as well as the impact and reaction to these changes within the Asia Pacific.

Special focuses within the conference include:

- EUs relationships with the Asia Pacific region
- The EU as a reference point for Asia-Pacific regional integration architecture
- The challenges of Climate Change and the Financial Crisis to the EU and its external relations
- The progress and problems faced in relation to agriculture and trade policy both within the EU and with its external partners.

This conference aims to bring together researchers who are interested in the EU within a range of academic disciplines from within New Zealand and the wider Pacific region.

**Call for Papers** In the first instance we are calling for abstracts from potential presenters.

Abstracts of 300 words should be submitted online by the 1st of August 2010. Please go to www.eucnetwork.org.nz

Successful applicants will be notified by email by the end of August.

Full conference registration will open in early September.

A limited number of travel bursaries will be available to those attending the conference. If your institution is unable to fund the full cost of attending, please complete the bursary section on the online form. We strongly encourage post-graduate students to submit abstracts for this conference and a number of the bursaries will be specifically available for students. Preference will be given to presenters from EUCN partner universities.

For further information and to submit abstracts please got to the EUCN website www.eucnetwork.org.nz





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