HC Coombs Policy Forum

Indigenous Data: A scoping workshop on enhanced access and creative use of data on Indigenous Australians

Wednesday 13 April 2011 9.30am – 2.30pm

The Jean Martin Room (3.32, Level 3) Beryl Rawson Building #13, ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences, The Australian National University

9.00am  Arrival tea and coffee
9.30am  Welcome and context setting - Dr Mark Matthews, Executive Director, HC Coombs Policy Forum, ANU

Session 1: Insights from overseas

Chair: Dr Nicholas Biddle, CAEPR, Research School of Social Sciences, ANU
9.40am  Discussion starters -
  Professor Matthew Snipp, Director, Center for Comparative Studies of Race and Ethnicity, Stanford University
  Dr Harry Patrinos, Lead Education Economist, The World Bank

11.00am  Morning Tea

Session 2: Creative Collaboration

Chair: Professor Matthew Gray, CAEPR, Research School of Social Sciences, ANU
11.20am  Discussion starter - Professor Bob Breunig, Research School of Economics, ANU
12.40pm  Lunch

Session 3: New methodologies for Indigenous research

Chair: Dr Boyd Hunter, CAEPR, Research School of Social Sciences, ANU
1.20pm  Discussion starter - Professor Bruce Chapman, Crawford School of Economics and Government, ANU
2.30pm  Close

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The HC Coombs Policy Forum in conjunction with the Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research (CAEPR) at The Australian National University (ANU) is organising a small high-level workshop aimed at identifying creative use of new and extant data on Indigenous Australians. The data gaps identified at the 2011 CAEPR conference on ‘Social Science Perspectives on the 2008 National and Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Social Survey (NATSISS)’ need to be addressed, and effective policies developed, informed by peer reviewed findings arising from any creative analysis.

Format
Participation is by invitation only. This will be a roundtable discussion with some brief discussion starters (Seven minute maximum). All discussions will be subject to the Chatham House rule.

Objectives
The specific objectives are:
A. Identify the key challenges for augmenting the evidence base, to help inform policy-makers and legislators
B. Construct a positive agenda for closing the data and analysis gap.

Structure
Three substantive sessions, organised as follows:
Welcome and introduction
1. Insights from overseas (80 minutes)
2. Creative collaboration between universities, the public sector and private sector (80 minutes)
3. New methodologies in research for Indigenous Australians (70 minutes)
Wrap up and next steps.

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