

CONFLICT, SECURITY AND POLITICAL REGIMES IN ASIA
A Public Lecture Series

Regional Instability and Australian Responses

A Public Lecture presented by
The Honourable Dr Brendan Nelson,
Federal Minister for Defence

Dr Brendan Nelson, who was Federal President of the Australian Medical Association (AMA) from 1993 to 1995, was first elected to represent the Sydney electorate of Bradfield for the Liberal Party of Australia in 1996. In January 2006, Brendan Nelson was sworn in as the Minister for Defence, having served as Minister for Education, Science and Training since November 2001, and as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence from December 2000 until his elevation to Cabinet in November 2001. In his time as Minister for Education, Science and Training, Dr Nelson implemented a range of significant reforms to higher education.

Apart from terrorism, threats of nuclear proliferation and political tensions in Northeast Asia, state failure in the South Pacific and the recent military coup in Thailand underline the dynamic and complex regional geopolitics facing Australian policymakers. Dr Nelson's lecture is thus a timely and important statement on the Minister's assessment of developments in the region and strategic responses from the Australian government.

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11:30am – 12.45 pm

Kim E Beazley Lecture Theatre
Murdoch University

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