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DATE: Monday 10 September 2018
TIME: 6:00pm - 8:00pm
VENUE: Albert Hall, 100 Connersworth Ave, Yarralumla ACT 2601
Catering of snacks available at 5.30pm

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Jack Waterford AM studied law at the Australian National University, and having graduated in 1972, started as a cadet at The Canberra Times. He was appointed Deputy Editor in 1987, Editor in 1995, Editor-in-Chief in 2001, and Editor-in-Chief in 2006. Jack retired in 2010, but continues as a freelance writer.

Jack is well known for his investigative journalism using Freedom of Information legislation and for his work and advocacy on indigenous health issues and on the national fitness and eye health program. Over the years Jack has written on law, government, industrial relations, ACT politics and planning, indigenous affairs and the public service.

He was appointed to a Jefferson Fellowship at the East—West Center in 1987, and Adjunct Professor at the University of Queensland in 1999. He is a board member of the Asia Pacific Journalism Centre. In 2007, Jack was awarded Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for service to journalism, particularly as a commentator on national politics and the law; to raising awareness of Australia’s indigenous affairs; and to journalism and Aboriginal health.

He has been awarded honorary positions with the universities of Renmin in China, and York and Hull in the UK.

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- Lucas Capitano, Campbell Community Association;
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- Manuel Fanstone, Inner South Canberra Community Council.

THE FACULTATOR
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He is an expert in the study and practice of governance and policy analysis. Before taking up the role he was Head of the Department of Politics at the University of York in the United Kingdom and Provost of Hofius College (1999-2009).

Mark has played an international role in supporting good administrative practices in public administration in developing and developing countries. He has acted as a senior policy advisor, delivered training and managed evaluation projects in 26 countries. He has also worked with several Australian councils on the co-design and implementation of better policy-making frameworks to guide sustainable development.

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Serious concerns have been raised by various Community Councils and community groups interested in specific aspects of projects on its impacts on the heritage and amenity values. The questions raised in particular are:

- Has the Government consulted with the statutory planning requirements?
- Has there been adequate consultation with local communities, and has the Government provided the necessary relevant information to those communities?
- Has there been input from professionals and experts?
- What is the Government’s vision for Canberra?

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