Dr Ken Henry to deliver 2011 Giblin Lecture

Dr Ken Henry AC, Treasury Secretary will present the 2011 Giblin Lecture at the University of Tasmania’s Sandy Bay campus today (Friday 4 March).

The title of Dr Henry’s lecture will be ‘Australia 2011: Opportunities, Challenges and Policy Responses’.

Dr Henry has held the position of Secretary to the Treasury since 2001, providing advice on economic policy and reforms to the Federal Government during the past three decades. In 2010 he released the Henry Tax Review which outlined recommendations for superannuation, rent tax on the mining sector and tax reform for small businesses.

The lecture will be Dr Henry’s final public engagement before stepping down as Secretary in March.

Professor Mardi Dungey from the School of Economics and Finance at the University of Tasmania said the lecture will provide an insight on what Dr Henry sees for the future of the Australian economy.

"Dr Henry has held an important role in Australian public policy making for the last decade, when some real challenges have been faced. His contribution in assembling and encouraging quality advice for our economic outcomes is substantial," Prof Dungey said.

The Giblin Lecture is hosted annually by the University of Tasmania’s School of Economics and Finance, and the Economic Society of Australia (Tasmania Branch). The lecture commemorate the work of Tasmanian born economist Lyndhurst Falkiner Giblin (1982-1951) who played an important role in economic policy making in Australia.

The 2011 Giblin Lecture will be held on Friday 4 March from 5.30pm in the Centenary Lecture Theatre, Centenary Building at the University of Tasmania’s Sandy Bay campus.

Entry to the lecture is free and all are welcome to attend.

For more information and media interviews on the 2011 Giblin Lecture, please contact Catherine Rogers on 03 6226 7489.

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