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GLOBAL FINANCIAL CRISIS: EMPLOYMENT AND RECOVERY FOR WORKING AUSTRALIANS

10:00am – 11:00am

Introduction and Chair: **Jeff Lawrence, Secretary, Australian Council of Trade Unions**

The Global Financial Crisis: a global perspective (by video)
Prof. Richard Freeman, Faculty Co-Director Harvard University, Dept of Economics

Video of Global Financial Crisis
ACTU President Sharan Burrow introduces workers affected by the GFC

Morning tea: 11:00am – 11.20am

11:20am – 12:30pm

Panel

- What recovery looks like: employment and secure, decent work (by video)
  Prof. John Quiggin, Australian Research Council Senior Fellow, University of Queensland

- Employment and equity
  Clare Martin, CEO, Australian Council of Social Services

- Sustainable jobs for a sustainable economy
  Sharan Burrow, President, Australian Council of Trade Unions

Respondents

- Dave Oliver, National Secretary, Australian Manufacturing Workers Union
- Leon Carter, National Secretary, Finance Sector Union
- Tony Maher, National President, Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union

Lunch: 12:30pm – 1:00pm

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GENERATING JOBS IN AUSTRALIA

1:00pm – 2.30pm

Panel

- Social and physical infrastructure: economic drivers
  Dr Peter Brain, Director of National Institute of Economic and Industry Research

- Industry policy and the green economy: skills we need for the future
  Brad Crofts, Economic Advisor, Australian Workers Union

- National interest expenditure principles: responsible spending for jobs
  Tim Lyons, Assistant Secretary, Australian Council of Trade Unions

- Job creation and the role of the community and public sector
  Prof. Bill Mitchell, Director of Centre of Full Employment and Equity University of Newcastle, NSW

Respondents

- John Sutton, National Secretary, Construction, Forestry, Mining and Energy Union
- Paul Howes, National Secretary, Australian Workers Union
- Stephen Jones, National Secretary, Community Public Sector Union
- Tony Sheldon, National Secretary, Transport Workers Union
- Michele O'Neil, National Secretary, Textile, Clothing and Footwear Union of Australia

QUALITY OF WORK

2:30pm – 4:00pm

Panel

- Workforce development and working time
  Dr. John Buchanan, Director of Workplace Research Centre, University of Sydney

- Work/ Life/ Care
  Prof. Barbara Pocock, Director of the Centre for Work + Life, University of South Australia

- The role of the new minimum wage fixing process in promoting decent work
  Cath Bowtell, Senior Industrial Officer, Australian Council of Trade Unions

Respondents

- Louise Tarrant, National Secretary, Liquor Hospitalities and Miscellaneous Union
- Peter Tighe, National Secretary, Communications, Electrical and Plumbing Union
- Therese Bryant, Shop Distributive and Allied Employees Association

Close: **Jeff Lawrence**

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