

Completion report for the PhD National Security Workshop

Event : PhD National Security Workshop

Location : Hotel Realm, Canberra

Date : 23-24 July 2008



Summary

This workshop aims to continue previous efforts by the RNSA to build a network of PhD researchers and match PhD researchers with national security staff who may be interested in their work.

Professor Ross Babbage, Chairman of the Kokoda Foundation gave a special presentation titled *Opportunities in national security following PhD completion*.

Abstracts were submitted for consideration, and those accepted presented their research at the Workshop.

The event was free to attend, held over 2 mornings during the Safeguarding Australia 2008 Conference.

Dr Raymond Choo was the facilitator.

15 people attended the event.

Athol Yates, Outreach Manager, RNSA gave the opening address and organised the logistics.

Event rationale

This event was supported by the RNSA because it contributed to the RNSA mission statement of *facilitating a knowledge-sharing network for research organisations, government and the private sector to develop research tools and methods to mitigate emerging safety and security issues*.

A number of excellent contacts were made between the participants and speakers.

Program

Day 1

9:00am – Workshop registration

9:30am – Workshop Opening Address, Athol Yates, Outreach Manager of the RNSA

9:35am – Workshop organisation, Dr Raymond Choo, PhD Workshop Coordinator

9:40am – Presentations of candidate's research projects

11:00am – Morning break

11:30am – Writing research project description in terms of how it can impact policy or projects and identifying SA08 Conference delegates who may be interested in students' work

12:40pm – Lunch and networking with SA08 Conference delegates who may be interested in students' work

1:40pm – Optional: Joining the Conference Research Update Stream (sponsored by RNSA)

3:10pm – Afternoon break and networking with SA08 Conference delegates who may be interested in students' work

3:40pm – Close of workshop

Day 2

10:00am – *Opportunities in national security following PhD completion*, Professor Ross Babbage, Chairman of The Kokoda Foundation

10:30am – Groups around themes to be formed to discuss issues of mutual interest

11:00am – Morning break

11:30am – Group discussions continue

12:00pm – Presentations from group work

12:40pm – Lunch and networking

1:40pm – Optional: Joining the Conference Research Update Stream (sponsored by RNSA)

3:10pm – Afternoon break

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