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FEB 2- 4, 2018

HOLY CROSS CENTRE
207 SERPELLS RD
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NATIONAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

CONFRONTING THE
CIVILIZATIONAL CHANGE
UNDERWAY ACROSS
THE WESTERN WORLD

“We must channel the currents of political change”

BA SANTAMARIA

FRIDAY FEB 2


6:30 pm	Drinks / registrations	
7:30 pm	Acknowledging the legacy of Bob Santamaria	
	Q & A Panel Peter Westmore, Chris McCormack, Colin Teese Chair: Mr Paul Santamaria	<i>News Weekly promotion featuring The Best of News Weekly book</i>

SATURDAY FEB 3

9:00 am	Peter Westmore NCC National President	<i>The West's cultural and political fragmentation: what this means for Australia as China rises</i>
9:40am	Asha Towers NCC NSW Research & Media Officer	<i>The state attacking human identity: defending biological man and woman from fluid gender identity</i>
10:05 am	Pat Byrne NCC National Vice-President	<i>Civilizational change: The NCC's strategy</i>
10:45 am	Morning Tea	
11:10 am	Dr John Whitehall - Paediatrician & Dr Quentin Van Meter - Vice-President American College of Paediatricians Chair: Joseph Carolan - NSW AFA Secretary	<i>Children "born in the wrong body"</i>
11:55 pm	Dr Mark McGovern - Lecturer, QLD University of Technology, School of Economics & Finance Chair: Jeremy Barth - NCC Development Officer	<i>What policies are needed for Australia to maintain its economic sovereignty?</i>
12:50 pm	Lunch	
2:05 pm	Professor Keith Thompson - Uni of Notre Dame Law School Kevin Andrews - Chair of the DFAT Subcommittee on Religious freedom Chair: Asha Towers - NCC NSW Research & Media Officer	<i>Charter of religious rights or a religious anti-discrimination law: how effective can they be?</i>
2:50 pm	Bishop Peter Elliott Episcopal Vicar for Religious Education, Archdiocese of Melbourne	<i>The state attacking the Church: Lessons from history</i>
3:45 pm	Afternoon Tea	
4:00 pm	Terri Kelleher AFA Victorian President	<i>The state attacking the family: In the name of children's rights, separating children from families</i>
4:55 pm	Panel discussion Speakers from the day Adjudicator: Luke McCormack - NCC Queensland President	
5:30 pm	Pre-dinner drinks	
7:00 pm	Dinner with Guest Speaker: Senator the Hon Eric Abetz - Senator for Tasmania	<i>The future for Australia: Where to from here?</i>
	Sit down for two-course meal & complimentary drink.	Dress code: semi-formal Tickets can be purchased separately Full \$75 Delegates/Group members \$55 Student \$35

SUNDAY MORNING FEB 4

8:00 am	Mass	
9:30 am	Guest Speaker: Rabbi Shimon Cowen Chair – Terri Kelleher - AFA Victorian President	<i>Joint statement of principle on gender and sex from churches and ethnic communities</i>
10:20 am	Morning Tea	
	10.50	NCC Conference: List of delegates
	11.00	Robert Schroeders: Youth presentation
	11.20	Fundraising report
	11.40	National 2017 Report incl. finance and staffing; State Reports tabled
	11.55	Resolutions to National Conference Election of office bearers General Business Closing remarks Close of Conference
1:15 pm	Lunch	



ERIC ABETZ

Eric Abetz (b. 25 January 1958) has been a Liberal Party member of the Australian Senate since 1994, representing Tasmania. Abetz was the Minister for Employment and the Leader of the Government in the Senate in the Abbott Government from 2013-2015. He previously also served as a Special Minister of State in the Howard Government, from 2001-2006 and as Minister for Fisheries, Forestry and Conservation from 2006-2007.

Born in Germany, Abetz emigrated to Australia as a child and was educated in law at the University of Tasmania. A former national president of the Australian Liberal Students' Federation and state president of the Tasmanian Liberal Party from 1990-1994



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