

# ISFAR @ 35

## Australia and France in a Regional and Global Context: Past Engagements and Future Research Directions

35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Symposium of the Institute for the Study of  
French Australian Relations (ISFAR) in Honour of Professor Colin Nettelbeck  
8-9 April 2021, online (Melbourne time)

### PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 8 APRIL	FRIDAY 9 APRIL
<p>09.45 - 11 am Welcome. Kerry Mullan, President of ISFAR Opening of the Symposium by the French Ambassador S. E. Jean-Pierre Thébault Introduction.</p> <p>SESSION 1 GLOBAL RIVALRY Chair: Alexis Bergantz <i>French-Australian Relations in Antarctica and the Southern Ocean</i> Alessandro Antonello</p> <p><i>A French Australia: What Were the Chances?</i> Matthew Allanby</p>	<p>10.15 - 11 am Introduction to Day 2. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country</p> <p>SESSION 6 CHALLENGING GENDERED LANGUAGE Chair: Kerry Mullan <i>'New' Gender Wars: The Feminization and Neutralization of the French Language</i> Chantal Crozet</p>
BREAK 11 - 11.15 AM	BREAK 11 - 11.15 AM
<p>11.15 am - 12.15 pm SESSION 2 PACIFIC TENSIONS Chair: Alexis Bergantz <i>Moral Nationalism and Neo-Colonialism: Revisiting Australian Outrage at French Nuclear Testing in the Pacific</i> Damian Grenfell</p> <p><i>The New Hebrides and White Australia's 'Manifest Destiny' in the Pacific</i> Elizabeth Rechniewski</p>	<p>11.15 am - 12.15 pm SESSION 7 EDUCATIONAL VISITS AND EXCHANGES Chair: Angela Giovanangeli <i>Decolonising the Gaze: Using the Semiotic Landscape as an Opportunity for Learning in New Caledonia</i> Kerry Mullan and Diane de Saint Léger</p> <p><i>Educational Trip to Australia, Mirrored History</i> Fanny Pascual</p>
BREAK 12.15 - 12.30 PM	BREAK 12.15 - 12.30 PM

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<p>12.30 - 1.30 pm SESSION 3 HISTORY AND HERITAGE IN NEW CALEDONIA Chair: Elizabeth Rechniewski <i>Australian Perceptions of New Caledonia During the Convict Era</i> Alexis Bergantz</p> <p><i>Convict Affinities: History and Heritage of the Bagne in New Caledonia</i> Briony Neilson</p>	<p>12.30 - 1.30 pm SESSION 8 FRANCOPHONE LIFE WRITING IN AND ABOUT AUSTRALIA Chair: Françoise Grauby <i>Travel Writing by Francophone Female Writers in Australia</i> Natalie Edwards</p> <p><i>Wenz Reinvented: The Making and Remaking of a French-Australian Transnational Writer</i> Christopher Hogarth</p>
LUNCH 1.30 - 2.30 PM	LUNCH 1.30 - 2.30 PM
<p>2.30 - 4 pm SESSION 4 FRENCH-AUSTRALIAN RELATIONS DURING WW2 Chair: Robert Aldrich <i>Australia's 1940 Nickel Coup: Securing the Resources of New Caledonia</i> Alexander Lee</p> <p><i>'A thankless job for a thankless people'? French-Australian Relations and the Invasion of Lebanon and Syria, 1941</i> Nicole Townsend</p> <p><i>Japanese in New Caledonia and Australia during WW2</i> Rowena Ward</p>	<p>2.30 - 3.30 pm SESSION 9 REGARDS CROISÉS: NEW CALEDONIA AND AUSTRALIA Chair: Briony Neilson <i>The Cross-Cultural Eye. The Photography of Allan Hughan, New Caledonia 1871-1883</i> Angela Giovanangeli</p> <p><i>The Visits of French Soldiers from the South Pacific to Australia during WWI</i> Pauline Georgelin</p>
BREAK 4 - 4.15 PM	BREAK 3.30 - 3.45 PM
<p>4.15 - 5 pm SESSION 5 Chair: Elizabeth Rechniewski <i>The 'Wine Project'</i> Barbara Santich</p>	<p>3.45 - 4.30 pm SESSION 10 ISFAR @ 35 Chair: Kerry Mullan Recent book publications</p>
<p>5.30 - 7 pm KEYNOTE PRESENTATION Chair: Alexis Bergantz. Introduction: John Connell <i>From the French East Indies Company to the French in the 'Indo-Pacific'</i> Robert Aldrich</p>	<p>Launch of the Colin Nettelbeck Travel Scholarship Closure of the Symposium by Myriam Boisbouvier-Wylie, Consule-Générale Honoraire de France à Melbourne</p>