

### Seventh China Matters Young Professionals Debate

'Are Australian universities treating PRC international students as 'cash cows'?

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#### Debaters



**Philipp Ivanov**, Chief Executive Officer, Asia Society Australia.

Philipp is a China specialist with extensive experience in policy, education and research. Previously, he was a manager of the Australia-China Council at DFAT, and a policy officer on DFAT's China desk. Philipp was one of the principal authors of the *Australia in the Asian Century White Paper - China Country Strategy*. He has been studying China since 1993 and has lived and worked in China for over 6 years. He is a fluent Chinese and Russian speaker.



**Michael Wesley**, Deputy Vice-Chancellor International, University of Melbourne

Michael is a board director of China Matters, and his career has spanned academia and government. He was previously the Dean of the College of Asia and the Pacific and Director of the Coral Bell School of Asia Pacific Affairs at the Australian National University. He has also served as Executive Director of the Lowy Institute for International Policy, Director-General of the Office of National Assessments and Editor in Chief of the Australian Journal of International Affairs.



**Kate Clayton**, Academic Tutor (International Politics), University of Melbourne

Kate is currently undertaking a Master of International Relations (International Security) degree at the University of Melbourne. Prior to this, she completed a Bachelor of International Relations with a focus on Asian Studies at La Trobe University, and has also studied in China at Chongqing University. Kate has also produced and hosted a podcast in conjunction with the Melbourne Postgraduate International Relations Organisation and worked with the Australian Institute of International Affairs.



**Isabella Mory**, Regional Manager for Greater China, Trinity College Foundation Studies, University of Melbourne.

Isabella holds a Master of Education and was a 2017 delegate of the Shanghai University Innovation in Education think tank in the China Australia Millennial Project (CAMP), a 2018 CAMP peer mentor, and participant in the 2018 China Matters Young Professionals National Meeting. An active committee member at the Australia China Young Professionals Initiative (ACYPI) Melbourne Chapter, Isabella holds great interest in the international student market as a former international student herself.

#### Moderator



**Thomas Day**, Enterprise Solutions Manager, Asialink

Thomas' professional experience spans a range of China related roles in education, government and business. He has over a decade of experience engaging with China, including five years spent in-country. Prior to joining Asialink Business, Thomas also worked with a number of China related organisations, such as the Confucius Institute at the University of Melbourne, the Australia China Business Council, the Australia China Alumni Association and the Australian Pavilion at the Shanghai World Expo.