

## Second China Matters Young Professionals Debate

'Should we be nice to China?'

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### Panellist and Moderator Bios



#### Scott Dewar

Scott is responsible for managing Australia's international defence relationships. Scott's remit includes Australia's Defence Cooperation Program, as well as Australia's defence engagement in multilateral forums. Previously, Scott worked in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade on regional security, trade and economic relations with Asia. Scott also held postings in the Australian Embassies in the Republic of Korea and China, and was Consul-General Honolulu. Scott has worked as an adviser on security issues in the Prime Minister's Office, and was a Visiting Fellow to the Australian Centre on China in the World.



#### Helen Sawczak

Helen started her career as a corporate lawyer at international law firms both in Australia and overseas. In Australia, Helen worked in the China practice of Minter Ellison, and then moved to Moscow and Kazakhstan to work for Clifford Chance. Helen worked as in-house counsel with Alcoa and Telstra, and then moved into senior management roles at Australia Post and ANZ Bank. Helen studied Mandarin throughout her secondary and tertiary education, which included trips to Nanjing University and Fudan University. Helen also undertook Chinese postgraduate studies at the University of Melbourne and graduated in 2016 with First Class Honours.



#### Andrew Kiley

Andrew manages the development and implementation of critical infrastructure related national security policy. He also leads engagement with states, territories and industry for the Australian Government. Andrew has been in the Attorney-General's Department for almost ten years, working across a diverse range of issues including criminal justice, national security and emergency management, disaster recovery, international crime cooperation policy, treaty negotiation as well as criminal and security law policy.



#### Harry White

Harry White is a manager in PwC Australia's management consulting practice. He works in the firm's Defence team, and has worked on a number of reforms mandated by Defence's First Principles Review – including supporting the newly-established Force Design Division. Prior to joining PwC Harry worked as an analyst on strategic, defence, and capability policy issues at the Australian Strategic Policy Institute (Canberra), and as an Editor of ASPI's blog The Strategist, and as a research intern at the International Institute for Strategic Studies (London), where he worked on their flagship-publication The Military Balance. He holds master's degrees in international relations from the Australian National University and London School of Economics.



#### Helen Dai

In her role, Helen advises the government on foreign investment cases before the Foreign Investment Review Board (FIRB) and is involved in developing the division's China engagement strategy. Helen was most recently in Beijing, Shenzhen and Hong Kong to discuss FIRB issues with Chinese investors, government officials and economists. Prior to this, she was the Capital Budget Manager at the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. She also served as a Diplomat with the Australian Embassy in Jakarta from 2010 until 2013.



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