The East-West Center in Washington, the Australian National University and the Georgetown University Center for Australian and New Zealand Studies invite you to an Asia Pacific Security Seminar:

**Power Shift: Australia’s Future between Beijing and Washington**

Featuring:

**Mr. Hugh White**

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Professor Hugh White's recent Quarterly Essay, *Power Shift: Australia's future between Washington and Beijing* looks at Australia's strategic choices in the Asian Century. In this lecture, he will explore the implications for an Australia-United States alliance. It is clear how China's rise will transform Australia's economy, but it is harder to recognize the implications for Australia’s political and strategic future. Australia takes for granted the protection that the United States provides, and the role it plays in keeping Asia stable. But, as China's power grows, Asia is being transformed, and the United States’ role in Asia will have to change as well. As that happens, the benefits to Australia of its alliance with the US will also change, and the costs and risks of the alliance will change too.

**Thursday, December 2**
12:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.
Lunch will be served.

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1819 L Street NW, Washington, DC, 2nd Floor Conference Room
This event is free and open to the public.

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