The 1970s: Australian and Indian Perspectives on a Decade of Transition

4 May 2017, Deakin Downtown, Level 12, Tower 2, 727 Collins St, Melbourne, 3008.

Like the decade before it, the 1970s attracts scholarly and popular attention for its ushering in change and highlighting contrasts: libertarianism can refer to both the rise of neo-liberal economics and the mainstreaming of social freedoms; political change can refer to both popular groundswells and constitutional crises. But, to date, most thinking about the 1970s has drawn on European and North American evidence. This workshop shifts focus to explore the 1970s from two major parts of the Indo-Pacific: Australia and India.

Led by Deakin University’s Contemporary History Research Group and including eminent scholars from elsewhere, it asks questions about the nature of change and the cohesiveness of the decade as an interpretive framework, from different social, political, religious, economic perspectives.

Speakers include:

Alex Davis (Latrobe)
Helen Gardner (Deakin)
Robin Jeffrey (NUS)
Harshan Kumarasingham (Edinburgh)
David Lowe and Tim Sherratt (Deakin and University of Canberra)
Klaus Neumann (Deakin)
Srinath Raghavan (Ashoka and Centre for Policy Research)
Haripriya Rangan (Australia India Institute)
Pawan Singh (Deakin)
Andrew Singleton (Deakin)
Chris Waters (Deakin)

Please join us for this special event. There is no registration fee but there are limited numbers only. Book your seat via EventBrite by 21 April: 

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