



Book Talk - Australia's American Alliance

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Please join us for a discussion of Australia's American Alliance, the U.S. - Australian relationship under President Trump, and the United States' Asia policy.

Australia's American Alliance

By Peter Dean, Stephan Frühling, and Brendan Taylor

With a chapter by Tom Mahnken

The Australia-United States Alliance has been critical to Australian foreign and defense policy since the ANZUS Treaty was signed in 1951. For 63 years, it has been an enduring feature of Australian defense planning, yet the contemporary alliance is, arguably, in one of the more important phases of reinterpretation in its long history. While the Alliance by its very nature is a bi-lateral relationship, this book will therefore specifically focus on Australian perspectives and policy choices, while providing context on the role of the United States in the Asia-Pacific and its position as a global power.

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Speakers

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