

# Governing AI: How to Harness the Digital Revolution

Wednesday 23 October 2024: 5:45pm for 6 – 7:30pm AEDT at Level 13, 356 Collins Street, Melbourne VIC 3000

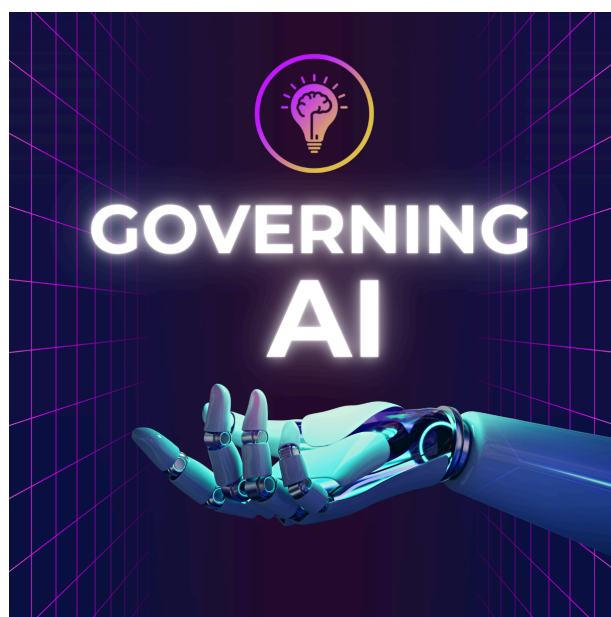
The rapid development and adoption of AI (Artificial Intelligence) has outpaced legislative processes worldwide, prompting urgent discussions on how governments can effectively respond. This event, co-hosted by the Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA) Victoria Young Professionals and the UK Government in Australia's Westminster Bridge Network, will delve into the optimal responses of Australia and the UK to these swift advancements in AI through their legislative frameworks.

The event will address the challenges and opportunities governments face in regulating AI technologies. We will explore key themes, including the balancing act between fostering innovation and upholding ethical standards, the intricacies of AI legislation, and the crucial role of international bodies in shaping effective regulatory approaches.

Join AIIA Victoria and the UK Government in Australia's Westminster Bridge Network for an informative session featuring a distinguished panel of leaders and innovators from research, academia, government, and business.

Only 90 in-person tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis for either AIIA Victoria Young Professionals members (45 tickets) or the UK Government in Australia's Westminster Bridge Network members (45 tickets), so be sure to secure your spot early.

Registrations and refreshments will be available from 5:45 pm, with the event starting promptly at 6:00 pm. Networking will follow from 6:45 pm to 7:30 pm.



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**In-person and Webinar:** AIIA VIC Young Professionals and Westminster Bridge Network members **FREE**.

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**Tanya Williams (Moderator)** is Deputy Director for Business and Trade at the British Consulate in Melbourne, a UK government role focussed on promoting trade and investment between the UK and Australia and creating an enabling policy and regulatory environment for international trade to thrive. As a career diplomat, Tanya has lived and worked in the UK, India, Ghana and Australia covering a range of issues including digital technology, trade policy, economic development and public affairs.



**Professor Jeannie Marie Paterson** is a Professor of Law and the Director of the Centre for AI and Digital Ethics at the University of Melbourne. Jeannie is an affiliate researcher with the Centre of Excellence for Automated Decision-Making and Society, as well as a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law. She is also a member of the Commonwealth Government's temporary AI expert group.



**Aaron Violi MP** is the Federal Member for Casey, having been elected at the 2022 Federal Election. With a background in sales and partnerships, he transitioned from the fast-moving consumer goods industry to a role in a tech start-up before entering politics. Aaron is a Committee Member at the Parliamentary Inquiry Committee on AI Use and Governance in the Public Sector.

## **AIIA Victoria Young Professionals**

The AIIA Victoria Young Professionals (YP) is a dynamic platform within the AIIA that brings together tertiary students and young professionals (aged 18 to 35) from a variety of government and non-government industries to network and share ideas in a professional and social environment. We act as a conduit for young people to gain access to experts in government, business, not-for-profits, and other international industry groups. To learn more about our membership benefits, click [here](#).

## **UK Government – Westminster Bridge Network**

Established by the British High Commission Canberra, the Westminster Bridge Network is a welcoming platform for future leaders aged 18 to 35 with an interest in UK – Australia diplomatic relations. Membership is free, and provides unique access to policymakers in both the UK and Australia, leading cross-industry experts, and opportunities to form meaningful connections with peers and other future leaders. Our recent events include panel discussions with UK and Australian MPs, deep dives with experienced diplomats, and a range of networking opportunities. Interested in building connections and expanding your professional network? Sign up [here](#).