ASQPS 14

7–8 December 2026 | UNSW Sydney, Kensington Campus

Conference Hosts and Venue

The 2026 ASQPS Conference is hosted by the School of Economics at UNSW Sydney, with Hasin Yousaf serving as local host. UNSW Sydney is one of Australia's leading research universities. The conference hub is the Business Lounge on Level 6 of the UNSW Business School Building (E12) at the Kensington campus, with parallel paper sessions also held in the nearby June Griffith Building (F10). The campus is well served by Sydney's L2 Randwick and L3 Kingsford light rail lines connecting directly to the CBD.

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Where to go

There are three conference rooms:

- **Business Lounge, Level 6, UNSW Business School (E12) –** *enter from the West Lobby.* Registration, welcome address, all keynotes, morning and afternoon tea, lunches, the Annual General Meeting, and Parallel C paper sessions.
- **F10 June Griffith M10 –** *June Griffith Building (F10), Room M10.* Parallel A paper sessions.
- **F10 June Griffith M11 –** *June Griffith Building (F10), Room M11.* Parallel B paper sessions.

Paper sessions: Each presentation is 20 minutes, followed by discussant comments and Q&A.

The two conference buildings are adjacent; please allow a few minutes to move between parallel-session rooms. See the campus map on the next page.

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Conference buildings are circled: UNSW Business School (E12) and June Griffith Building (F10).

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TIME	Parallel A *F10 June Griffith M10*	Parallel B *F10 June Griffith M11*	Parallel C *Business Lounge*
8:30–9:00 am	**Registration** *Business Lounge*		
9:00–9:15 am	**Welcome address** 5-min V-Dem regional centre announcement: Constanza Sanhueza Petrarca *Business Lounge*		
9:15–10:30 am	**Keynote 1** Amanda Clayton – UC Berkeley *Business Lounge*		
10:30–11:00 am	**Morning tea** *Business Lounge*		
11:00 am–1:00 pm	**1A Democratic Attitudes & Backsliding** *Chair/discussant: Eddy Yeung* **Lie Philip Santoso** *Duke Kunshan University* Political Anchoring and Democratic Support: Why Indifference, Not Hostility, Is Democracy's Greatest Threat **Kamila Kolodziejczyk** *University of Ottawa* Lack of Representation and Support for Undemocratic Practices **Chien-shih Huang** *National Taiwan University* From License Revocation to Egg-Throwing: Where the Misperception Account of Democratic Backsliding Stops **Swe Oo Mon** *Australian National University* Do ongoing crises reduce support for democracy? A survey experiment in Conflict-Affected Myanmar	**1B International Security & Deterrence** *Chair/discussant: Rafat Mahmood* **Chun-Kai Huang** *Institute of Political Science at National Sun Yat-sen University* Rethinking the Determinants of War Onset: From Regime Type to Information Transparency **Kyungwon Suh** *Australian National University* Does U.S. Nuclear Arms Control Diplomacy Affect Allied Perceptions of U.S. Extended Deterrence? Evidence from Cross-National Survey Experiments **Phedias Theophanous** *Stanford University* Do salami tactics work or backfire? **Yuhang Si** *National Taiwan University* The Moral Hazard of Strategic Clarity: Experimental Evidence from Taiwan	**1C Historical Legacies** *Chair/discussant: Pauline Grosjean* **Sascha Becker** *U Warwick and Monash U* Political Fragmentation, Forced Mobility, and Knowledge Accumulation in Europe before 1800 **Charles Butcher** *Macquarie University, Norwegian University of Science and Technology* Impossible Countries: Precolonial States and Postcolonial Democratization **Ashani Amarasinghe** *University of Sydney* Missions Misaligned: Colonial Legacies of Social Conflict in Africa **Chun Chee Kok** *UCLouvain* Irreplaceable Middlemen: Evidence from the Expulsion of Indians from Uganda

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1:00–2:00 pm	**Lunch** *Business Lounge*		
2:00–4:00 pm	**2A Policy, Shocks & Accountability** *Chair/discussant: Amanda Clayton* **Shah Alam** *Monash University* Lockdowns and Moves to Opportunity: Evidence from Australia **Harry Dienes** *Cornell University* Feeding the Future in Indonesia: Citizens' Policy Expectations, Service Delivery, and Accountability **Frank Bohn** *Radboud University* The Impact of Uninformed Voters and Corruption on Electoral Manipulation in Deficit and Deforestation **Ben Goldsmith** *Australian National University* Foreign Aid and Foreign Opinion Over Time: the case of PEPFAR	**2B Survey & Measurement Methods** *Chair/discussant: Charles Crabtree* **Yutzung Chang** *National Taiwan University* Is Mixed-Mode Survey the Panacea? A Benchmark Study of Seven Parallel Surveys **Robert Ross** *Macquarie University and Monash University* People who endorse conspiracy theories don't necessarily believe them: Implications for quantitative political science **Simon Jackman** *University of Sydney* Small area estimates of vote shares for Australian federal elections **Kenneth Benoit** *Singapore Management University* Surrogates for What? Coding as Measurement in AI-Assisted Content Analysis	**2C Voting, Party Competition & Realignment** *Chair/discussant: Federico Masera* **Luke Mansillo** *University of Sydney* The changing geography of voting in Australia: 1993-2025 **Ferran Martinez i Coma** *Griffith University* Do natural hazards affect turnout in national elections? **Vasiliki Fouka** *Stanford University* Immigration and the political behavior of immigrant-background Americans **Thiago Nascimento da Silva** *Australian National University* Clarity of Alternatives: How Perceived Party Policy Differences Shape Economic Voting
4:00–4:30 pm	**Afternoon tea** *Business Lounge*		
4:30–5:45 pm	**Keynote 2** Pauline Grosjean – UNSW Sydney *Business Lounge*		
6:30 pm	**Conference dinner** *Sugarcane Coogee, 1/56 Carr St, Coogee*		

DAY 2 | TUESDAY, 8 DECEMBER 2026

TIME	Parallel A *F10 June Griffith M10*	Parallel B *F10 June Griffith M11*	Parallel C *Business Lounge*
9:00–10:15 am	**Keynote 3** Carlo Prato – Columbia University *Business Lounge*		
10:15–10:45 am	**Morning tea** *Business Lounge*		
10:45 am–12:45 pm	**3A Rhetoric, Media & Polarisation** *Chair/discussant: Constanza Sanhueza Petrarca* **Seraphine Maerz** *University of Melbourne* Shifting words, shifting regimes? Normalized illiberal discourse and democratic decline **Jan Kovář** *Institute of International Relations Prague* From People on the Move to Instruments of Interference: Framing the Instrumentalisation of Migration in the European Parliament **Gabriele Gratton** *UNSW Sydney* Adding Fuel to the (Gun)Fire: How Politicians Polarize the Public Debate **Federico Masera** *UNSW Sydney* The Joe Rogan Effect: Politicized Podcasts and the Youth Gender Voting Gap	**3B Political Violence** *Chair/discussant: Vasiliki Fouka* **Rich Frank** *Australian National University* Measuring the Election Violence Trap: A Dynamic Latent Variable Model **Brandon Ives** *Seoul National University* Ramadan and Muslim protests and riots in India **Osbern Huang** *Griffith University* Post-Coup Harm Across Fractured Political Geographies in Myanmar: Evidence from Satellite Fire Anomalies **Rafat Mahmood** *Monash University* Gendered Effects of Terrorism on Education	**3C Participation, Efficacy & Mobilisation** *Chair/discussant: Ian McAllister* **Huan-Kai Tseng** *National Taiwan University* Civic Awakening Revisited: Explaining Participation in Taiwan's Great Recall Movement **Quynh Nga Do** *ARC Centre of Excellence for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (CEVAW)* Can Civic Mobilisation Reduce Gender Based Violence? Evidence from March 4 Justice Demonstrations in Australia **Joshua Thorp** *University of Arkansas* Kin Coalitions: Political allyship among non-disabled family members of disabled people **Jack Vowles** *Te Herenga Waka - Victoria University of Wellington* Still efficacious after all these years? The Mixed Member Proportional Electoral System and New Zealand Elections 1996-2023

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12:45–1:45 pm	**Lunch** *Business Lounge*		
1:45–3:45 pm	**4A Electoral Information, Integrity & Misinformation** *Chair/discussant: Carlo Prato* **Eddy Yeung** *Texas A&M University* What is Free and Fair? Experimental Evidence on Perceptions of Election Quality from Ten Countries **Anurug Chakma** *Griffith University* Protecting Public Confidence in Elections During Crises: Evidence from Australian Electoral Management Bodies **Constanza Sanhueza Petrarca** *Australian National University* AI, False Information, and Electoral Integrity: A Vignette Experiment in Australia and Canada **Max Groemping** *Griffith University* Can Chatbots Correct Election Misinformation? Evidence from Australia's 2025 Federal Election	**4B Framing, Rhetoric & Text as Data** *Co-chairs/discussants: Seraphine Maerz and Ken Benoit* **Elliot Motte** *UNSW Sydney* Insult Politics in the Age of Social Media **Andi Zhou** *Victoria University of Wellington* Ethnonationalist Justifications for Territorial Compromise **Temirlan Zhumadilov** *University of Melbourne* How Governments Frame Artificial Intelligence: Measuring Variation in National AI Strategies **Sebastian Dettman** *University of Melbourne* Extracting Party Positions from Asian Election Manifestos with Large Language Models	**4C Autocratic Politics & Control** *Chair/discussant: Rich Frank* **Sam Sharman** *International University of Japan* Selective Electoral Manipulation: Security, Information, and Legitimacy in Autocratic Elections **Lukas Wellner** *Monash University* The Electoral Cycle of Digital Repression **Paul Lam** *Griffith University* Elite Networks and Political Restructuring in Hong Kong, 2012-2021 **Xueting Chen** *Monash University* Growth or Green? Local Officials Promotion Incentive and Urban Air Quality
3:45–4:00 pm	**Break**		
4:00–5:00 pm	**Annual General Meeting** *Business Lounge*		