

National Europe Centre Public Lecture Series

EU's Contribution to Governance of the Oceans

WEDNESDAY 13 MAY 2009, 12.30 – 2.00pm

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Speaker: Dr Joe Borg – European Commissioner for Fisheries and Maritime Affairs

Chaired by: Professor Don Rothwell, ANU College of Law and Acting Director of the Centre of International and Public Law

Abstract: By their very nature, solving the world's maritime and fisheries problems is contingent on successful international cooperation, as poignantly illustrated by global dwindling fish stocks and problems with piracy on the high seas. In this lecture, the European Commissioner for Fisheries and Maritime Affairs, Joe Borg, will discuss the EU contribution to governance of the oceans. The Commissioner will address the international dimension of the Common Fisheries Policy - (EU action in international arenas: UN, FAO, Regional Fisheries Management Organisations, OECD and WTO and bilateral fisheries agreements) - and the Integrated Maritime Policy, focusing on surveillance, security and piracy issues. The Commissioner will then take questions.

Biography: A Member of the European Commission with responsibility for Fisheries and Maritime Affairs, Joe Borg, served as Foreign Minister of Malta, leading negotiations for Malta's accession to the European Union. Since 1979, Dr Borg has held various academic posts at the University of Malta, specialising in Company Law, Industrial Law and European Law. He also held various posts as legal adviser to companies and corporate bodies in Malta and abroad and, in 1995, he was the main author and drafter of the Malta Companies Act. In the same year, he was elected as a Member of the House of Representatives in Malta for the Christian Democrat Nationalist Party and also served as Parliamentary Secretary within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1998/99.



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