

# Conference

## Labour Underutilisation - Unemployment & Underemployment

3-4 December 2009  
University of Newcastle  
Australia

(incorporating the  
11th Path to Full  
Employment and the 16th  
National Conference on  
Unemployment)

*This year will be the first for some time that official unemployment rates will rise. The overall predictions are that there could be around a million people unemployed in Australia by year's end. The underemployment rate will also rise.*

The conference will cover the following areas:

- What are the origins of the global financial crisis? Is the Australian government's response adequate? How could it be improved?
- Research on unemployment - its dimensions, causes, cures.
- The increasing problem of underemployment and marginal workers.
- Why has work become more precarious? Is it a problem? What are the solutions?
- What is full employment? How is it defined and measured? How close are we to achieving full employment? What are the challenges that remain?
- How can the new Federal Government's social inclusion agenda be designed and implemented?
- Employment guarantees - why are several countries now turning to Job Guarantee-type policies to combat poverty and unemployment? What are the lessons for Australia?
- Why do disparities in regional labour markets persist? What is the extent of the problem and its solutions? Spatial patterns of work and housing.
- Long term, youth, disabled and indigenous unemployment.

### Call for Papers Open

The deadline for abstracts is Monday 13th July 2009. Please see our CofFee Conference website which details all relevant deadlines, available streams and formatting requirements for papers.

<http://e1.newcastle.edu.au/coffee/conferences/2009/index.cfm>

### Registration Is Now Open

Early Bird Rate	AUD\$350	Single Day Rate:	AUD\$225
Standard Rate:	AUD\$400	Single Day Concession:	AUD\$120.
Concession:	AUD\$225		

CofFEE is also offering a special "2 in 1" deal to anyone who would like to attend both the CofFEE Conference and the Society of Heterodox Economists (SHE) Conference on 7th and 8th December 2009 at the University of New South Wales.

2 in 1 Early Bird Rate:	AUD\$500	2 in 1 Concession:	AUD\$280
Standard:	AUD\$540		

Please register on-line at:

<http://e1.newcastle.edu.au/coffee/events/registration.cfm>

*The early bird rate is valid until 31st October 2009.*

*The standard and early bird rates for both conferences include the CofFEE Conference dinner.*

*Concession rates apply to full time students, government pensioners and the unemployed.*

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