## Racisms in the New World Order



# **Keynote Speakers**

#### Professor Peter S. Li

Peter is Professor of Sociology at the University of Saskatchewan, and Chair of Economic Domain, Prairie Centre of Excellence for Research on Immigration and Integration. His research areas are race and ethnicity, Chinese Canadians, the Chinese diaspora, immigration, and multiculturalism. He has published over 70 academic papers and 11 books. Among his books are Race and Ethnic Relations in Canada (Oxford University Press, 1999), The Chinese in Canada (Oxford University Press, 1988, 1998), The Making of Post-War Canada (Oxford University Press, 1996), Racial Oppression in Canada (co-author, Garamond, 1988), Ethnic Inequality in a Class Society (Thompson, 1988), and Destination Canada: Immigration Debates and Issues (Oxford University Press, 2003).

He has served as a consultant and an advisor to several Canadian federal departments regarding policies of immigration, multiculturalism, race relations and social statistics, including Statistics Canada, Citizenship and Immigration Canada, and Canadian Heritage. During the 1994 national consultations on immigration initiated by the federal government, he was appointed co-chair of a national expert panel to develop strategies on integration of immigrants. In 2005, the Governor in Council of Canada appointed him as a director of the International Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Development.

In 2001, he was given the 'Living in Harmony' Recognition Award by the City of Saskatoon Race Relations Committee, in recognition of a distinguished record of academic research, publication, and policy-related work on race and ethnic relations, immigration studies and racism in Canada. In 2002, he received the 'Outstanding Contribution Award' from the Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association for his contribution to sociology in Canada. He was president of the Canadian Sociology and Anthropology Association for 2004-2005. Currently, he is the Vice-President of the International Society for the Study of Chinese Overseas, and the editor of the Journal of International Migration and Integration.

#### Professor Hurriyet Babacan

Hurriyet is Professor of Social and Cultural Development at Victoria University. Before that, Hurriyet was Associate Director for the Centre for Multicultural and Community Development at the University of the Sunshine Coast, Australia.

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Hurriyet has over 20 years experience as an academic, public servant, community worker, researcher and trainer in government, community and university sectors.

Hurriyet has published widely in national and international publications on the issues of multiculturalism, immigration, identity, social policy, gender, racism, settlement, child protection, and community development including two publications for UNESCO on gender and development. She has co-edited a book titled Racisms in the New World Order: Realities of Colour, Culture published by Cambridge Scholars Publishing, United Kingdom, and is working on a second book on Refugees in a Globalised World, which Canadian Scholars Press will publish in 2008.

Hurriyet is renowned for her varied expertise and has been invited to give keynote papers in many international and national conferences. Hurriyet has also been a founding member of numerous nongovernment organisations. Hurriyet has been recognised for her work through a number of awards including the Bi-Centenary Medal awarded by the Prime Minister in 2002 and the Multicultural Services Award presented by the Premier of Queensland.

#### Nicole Bernhardt

Nicole Bernhardt is a Human Rights Officer with the Ontario Human Rights Commission where she investigates complaints involving racial profiling and systemic discrimination in employment, education and police services. Ms Bernhardt holds a Masters in Philosophy from Queen's University; and has run various workshops on anti-racism. Last spring she presented a paper at 5th Annual Conference of Researchers and Academics of Colour for Equality held in Regina, Canada.

#### Susan Booth

Susan was appointed Queensland Anti-Discrimination Commissioner in March 2003. The role of Commissioner is an important one for Queensland and it is one of the few that protects the human rights and basic freedoms of all Queenslanders. In this role, she seeks to be fearless but fair and feels that there is still work to do.

Susan is a solicitor and before that worked as a teacher. She has long been a strong advocate of working with communities. She works closely with Queensland Ethnic communities and believes that discrimination still exists and that eliminating racism must continue to be a priority for the Commission. Susan believes that the Anti-Discrimination Commission is most effective when it reaches out to the communities it serves.

#### **Margaret Donaldson**

Margaret Donaldson is Director of the Race Discrimination Unit of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission. Before that, she was Director of the Native Title Unit. In that role, she was responsible for the annual production and publication of the Commission's Native Title Report, which monitors developments in native title in terms of the human rights of Aboriginal people. In 2000, she accompanied the Acting Race Discrimination Commissioner, Dr William Jonas, to the United Nations in Geneva, where she advised in relation to submissions made by the Commissioner to the UN on the 1998 amendments to the Native Title legislation following the Wik decision. Before joining the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, Margaret practised as a solicitor for fourteen years, specialising in government law, administrative law and commercial law. She has a Master of Laws from the University of New South Wales.

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#### Ms Faiza El-Higzi

Faiza holds four postgraduate degrees in Education, Applied Science, Project Management and Architecture. She is the recipient of the Australian Davos Connection Emerging Leaders Award 2007. Faiza is the co-founder and former president of Al-nisa Youth Group Inc, an advocacy group and a leadership forum for young Muslim people in Queensland. She is also the Deputy Chair of the Queensland Muslim Community Reference Group 2007 convened by the Queensland Government; member of the Queensland Youth Violence Taskforce convened by the Queensland Police Service; and member of the Queensland Multicultural Ministerial Advisory Committee convened by the Minister of Multicultural Affairs. Faiza has been the convener of the first Muslim Youth Summit in Queensland and is the Economic Advisor to the National Council of Women of Queensland. She is currently working with the Queensland Government.

#### Narayan Gopalkrishnan

Narayan is the Founding Director of the Centre for Multicultural and Community Development (CMCD), a research centre of the University of the Sunshine Coast. CMCD focuses on research, training and consultancies on a range of issues in the areas affecting multiculturalism, immigration, diaspora, settlement, citizenship and community development. As well as being the Director of CMCD, Narayan is also the coordinator of the Bachelor of Social Science (Community Work) degree, lecturing in a range of subjects related to community work and social development.

Narayan has extensive experience, in Australia and overseas, in working on issues of diversity, cross-cultural development, aid and human development policy and program and service development, leadership and organisational change. He was manager of a large aid and development project working with the Indigenous people of Orissa-India on issues of education, employment, poverty eradication, health and basic infrastructure.

Narayan has many national and international publications. He has written extensively on migration, globalisation, refugees, fear, community and economic development and social rights. He is co-editor of a book titled Racisms in the New World Order published by Cambridge Scholars Publishing in 2007. Narayan has been training, managing projects, teaching and researching for over 25 years in Australia and overseas.

#### Dr David Hollinsworth

David is an Adjunct Professor in the Centre for Contemporary Studies of the University of Queensland. From 1979 until 1997, David was a Lecturer/Senior Lecturer in Indigenous studies at the University of South Australia. He has researched and published widely on Aboriginal history and politics, Indigenous health and community development, and on representations of Aboriginality in the media and academia.

David has an international and national reputation for his work on the shifting forms of Australian racism and on effective strategies for combating racism.

Since leaving full-time university work in 1997, David has published widely including the standard textbook, Race and Racism in Australia Second Edition (1998), and They Took the Children (2003) for which he won the 2004 NSW Premier's Young People's History Award. David has also undertaken dozens of consultancies in strategic planning and capacity building for Indigenous organisations and representative bodies, policy and planning for state and federal governments, anti-racism training and community engagement strategies.

# Professor Megan-Jane Johnstone

Megan is currently Professor of Nursing and Director of Research for the Division of Nursing and Midwifery at RMIT University in Melbourne. The author of several books, Megan is best known for her work in the area of healthcare ethics, with a particular emphasis on health and human rights, cross-cultural ethics, professional conduct and patient safety ethics.

#### Dr Linda Ford

Dr Payi-Linda Ford is an Elder of the Rak Mak Mak Marranunggu Clan from Kurrindju whose land lies on the Wagait Aboriginal Land Trust and Litchfield Park southwest of Darwin in the Northern Territory of Australia. Payi-Linda was born at Batchelor in 1962 where she and her family suffered the policies of the 'Welfare Act' where the Australian Government would take a 'half-caste' child away from their 'full-blood' mother. Dr Payi-Linda has access to several Indigenous knowledge systems and to the western knowledge system that provide her with a unique level of experiences and knowledge in cross-cultural and multicultural diversity.

Dr Ford is one of a few Aboriginal people to complete her Doctorate in Philosophy of Education by research, which was conferred in October 2006 at Deakin University in Victoria, Australia. She balances her academic career of teaching in higher education, research and consultancies, family, community commitments, and her latest, addressing the Northern Territory Indigenous Intervention Strategy. Dr Ford is a Senior Lecturer at Charles Darwin University, in the Faculty of Law, Business and Arts in the School of Australian Indigenous Knowledge Systems, Darwin, Northern Territory of Australia

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#### **Conference fees**

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	Full registration	One day registration	
	6-7 December	6 December	7 December
Corporate fee, government employees, universities	\$550	\$275	\$275
Community organisations	\$450	\$225	\$225
Students/individuals	\$250	\$125	\$125
Conference dinner on 6 December	\$85		

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