

Dear colleague, thank you for your interest in the Social Cyber Group. Here are updates on our recent activities.

Social Cyber Advisory

- Australian Cyber Policy: With the release on 27 February by the Home Affairs Minister of the Discussion Paper on a new cyber security strategy for Australia, we recirculated our [Six Point Institutional Plan for Revitalising Australian Cyber Policy](#). We are now preparing a lengthier response to the Discussion Paper.
- Professor Glenn Withers has been invited to provide presentations for the consultation process for the **Universities Accord Panel** chaired by Professor Mary O'Kane. This has included work on university - industry links through new paid internship initiatives, in which cyber work could be a lead case.
- Greg Austin is undertaking a consultancy report for the International Institute for Strategic Studies on **strategic pathways for quantum sensing**. He submitted the final papers for a project with the UK Ministry of Defence on future warfighting.
- From 12-14 March, Greg will be an invited participant in the **2nd Advanced Technology Workshop** hosted by IISS in Singapore and conceived by Greg during his time with IISS.

Social Cyber Institute

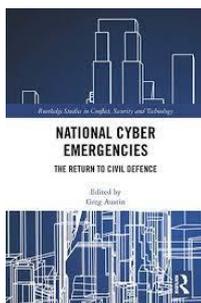
- On 2 March, Professor Glenn Withers led our first **Monthly Briefing on 'Global Developments in Cyber Education and Workforce Policy'** with over 100 registered participants from Asia, Africa, and the Pacific.
- A new Research Paper by Greg Austin and Glenn Withers entitled **Valuation of Reputation Damage for Transport Cyber Attack: Methods and Findings** is now [posted for open access](#) online on the Social Cyber Group website as Research paper 1/23.
- Reminder: Co-founder Greg Austin has been confirmed as a **speaker for the Australian Cyber Security Conference** in Canberra from 20-22 March on the subject of 'Evaluating Cyber Policy Reform: Towards Urgency, Coherence and Depth'. Greg is scheduled to speak at 11.15 on Tuesday 21 March.

Social Cyber Academy

- SCG Co-founder Lisa Materano has been **appointed to the Global Board** of the Global Development Learning Network (World Bank) representing the Asia Pacific affiliates of the GDLN.
- SCG Academy partner Blended learning International has been **approved by the Australian Skills Quality Authority** to add a Graduate Diploma of Strategic Leadership to its scope for education and training delivery.
- Adam Henry, our Senior Adviser Education, is developing an additional **Master Class in Cyber Education and Workforce Policy** to complement existing Master Class offerings in 'Social Cyber Business', 'Responsible Behaviour in Cyberspace by States and Corporations', and 'Cyber War and Peace'. For more information, on our courses, [click here](#).

RESEARCH ARCHIVE

[National Cyber Emergencies: The Return of Civil Defence](#), edited by Greg Austin, and published by Routledge, is based on research and workshops at UNSW Canberra. The volume analyses the escalating sense of crisis around state-sponsored cyber attacks that has emerged since 2015, when the United States first declared a national emergency in cyberspace. The book documents a shift in thinking in the USA, from cooperative resilience-oriented approaches at



national level to more highly regulated, state-led civil defence initiatives. Although the American response has been mirrored in other countries, the shift is far from universal. Containing contributions from well-placed scholars and practitioners, this volume reviews a selection of national experiences (from the USA, Australia, India, China, Estonia, and Finland) and a number of key thematic issues.