Mission
To prepare Australians for deeper and sustainable engagement with a more complex Asia

Asia Society Australia is Australia’s leading global think-tank and membership organisation dedicated to Asia, focusing on the interplay between business and policy.

We connect business, policy and society, helping Australians understand and engage with Asia, and to navigate our shared futures. We are a national, independent, non-partisan, and non-political institution. Our programs and analysis are accessible across Australia and globally through digital and face-to-face platforms. Asia Society Australia is a centre of Asia Society – a preeminent global non-profit organisation dedicated to Asia, founded in 1956 by John D. Rockefeller 3rd in New York, with 14 centres in Asia, the United States, Australia and Europe.

Goals
- Be the leading voice in Australia about Asia’s business, politics and society, and to be a leading voice about Australia in Asia
- Be a truly national institution and a digital-first organisation
- Be a leading contributor to solving Australia’s national policy challenges in Asia
- Be a champion and a convenor of informed debate and dialogue

Our Focus
We focus on the major challenges and opportunities that are facing Australia and Asia.

Strategic Priorities
- Complex Asia: Build a deeper understanding of geopolitical, economic and strategic forces shaping Australia’s future in Asia
- Trade Smarter: Inform Australia’s trade and investment expansion and innovation in the region
- Living with China: Contribute to shaping the next chapter of Australia’s engagement with China
- Generation Asia: Empower the next generation of Asia-engaged leaders for the post-pandemic era
WHAT WE DO

ANALYSIS
We produce cutting-edge analysis on the pressing challenges in a complex Asia and actionable steps that policymakers and business can take to address them

BRIEFINGS & EVENTS
We convene over 60 premium briefings and events annually with world-leading thinkers and experts

MEMBERSHIP
We bring together a community of Australian and global leaders from business, government, education and the arts, shaping Australia’s future in Asia

GLOBAL NETWORK
We provide access to Asia Society’s unrivalled global network of centres in New York, Hong Kong, Houston, Los Angeles, Manila, Melbourne, Mumbai, Paris, San Francisco, Seoul, Sydney, Tokyo, Washington, DC and Zurich

VALUES

EXCELLENCE
We provide world-class expertise, a region-wide perspective and a global outlook

INDEPENDENCE
We are an independent, non-partisan, non-political, non-profit organisation with a national mission

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION
We are a champion of diversity - of regional outlook, of culture, of opinion and of our Asian-Australian communities

RESPECT & INTEGRITY
We value every member of our network for the contribution they make to our success. We act with the highest standards to encourage freedom of expression, creativity, collegiality, and robust and respectful debate.
WHY ASIA SOCIETY AUSTRALIA?

ASIA
World-class expertise on Asia and Australia’s place in the region

THINK-TANK AND MEMBERSHIP
Only global think-tank and membership organisation in Australia dedicated to Asia

LOCAL
Australia’s largest network of Asia-engaged organisations

GLOBAL
A global organisation with 14 centres across 4 continents with unrivalled convening power

BUSINESS AND POLICY
Four strategic priorities with a unique focus on the interplay between business and policy

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JOIN
as a corporate or individual member and access unique membership benefits

SPONSOR
an Asia Society Australia initiative and build your brand, reach and profile

DONATE
to support Asia Society Australia research projects, fellowships or executive positions to further our mission

ATTEND
Asia Society Australia’s free public events

SUBSCRIBE
to Briefing Monthly, featuring news and original analysis on Asia and Australia-Asia relations

CONTRIBUTE
by speaking at our events and writing for our publications, to help shape Australia’s policy, capability and understanding of Asia

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