



On the Frontline: Multicultural Media's Vital Role in Public Interest Journalism

This is a rare opportunity to convene and hear a range of speakers discuss the role of multicultural media in public interest journalism. Key questions for discussion include how multicultural media engage their communities at times of crisis; multicultural media's relationship with government; what are the next best steps for multicultural media to strengthen its cross-platform journalism; and what does the "public" in public interest journalism mean in the multicultural context.

Hear from our special guests: **Kos Samaras**, of Red Bridge Group, **Anthea Hancocks**, of the Scanlon Foundation and prominent figure in Australian multiculturalism **Dr Hass Dellal**.

In addition, there will be two panel discussions, canvassing current issues of government engagement, crisis communications and digital transformation.

Our panellists include: **Alice Nicolas**, publisher of *The Philippine Times*, the longest-running Filipino publication in Australia; **Mariam Koslay** is a former Fairfax Media journalist and a government relations specialist and recipient of the Western Bulldogs Women of the West Award (2024); **Dr. Fan Yang** is a postdoctoral research fellow at Melbourne Law School and the ARC Centre of Excellence for Automated Decision-Making and Society. And also **Christopher Gogos**, publisher, *Neos Kosmos*; **Julius Larobina**, Managing Director, Italian Media Corp; **Wendy Huang**, Managing Director of Chinese News and Media Group Pty Ltd (Australia's largest Chinese media platform) and **Jitarth Jai Bharadwaj**, Founder and Editor-in-Chief, the *Australia Today Network*.

This is a not-to-be-missed opportunity to explore the narrative prowess of independent multicultural outlets, the role they play in bridging gaps in mainstream coverage and their positive impact on cultural maintenance.

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A Melbourne Press Club and Independent Multicultural Media Australia event.

DATE & TIME

Friday 22 March 2024
8.30am-1.30pm

LOCATION

The Greek Centre
168 Lonsdale St
Melbourne

COST

Free. Registration required.
Morning tea and lunch provided.

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