

**Interim Meeting of the Research Committee for Comparative Judicial Studies  
‘The Politics and Politicization of Rights Protection’  
The University of Melbourne, 17-18 January 2007**

**Program**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Details</b>
Tues 16 Jan	6.30pm- 8.30	Matthaei Room, University House (E13, campus map)	Welcome drinks
Wed 17 Jan	9.30am - 10	Seminar Room G-29, Law Building (R15, campus map)	Introduction: Brian Galligan
	10am - 11	G-29	John Chesterman & Brian Galligan, ‘The Politics of Rights Protection in Western Democracies’
	11am - 11.30		Morning Tea
	11.30am -1pm	G-29	Andrew Banfield, ‘Comparative Rights Policy: A Methodological Approach’; Kirk Randazzo, ‘Institutional Viability and High Courts: A Comparative Analysis’
	1 pm - 2		Lunch
	2pm- 3.30	G-29	Michael Tolley, ‘Parliamentary Scrutiny of Rights: Assessing the Work of the Joint Committee on Human Rights’; Carl Barr, TBA
	7pm	Jimmy Watson’s, 333 Lygon St., Carlton	Conference Dinner
Thurs 18 Jan	9.30am - 11	G-29	Mary Volcansek, ‘Human Rights or Trade Protection: US Politics and the World Trade Organization’; Tom Davis, TBA
	11am - 11.30		Morning Tea
	11.30am -1pm	G-29	Rhonda Evans Case, ‘The Politics of Litigating Human Rights: When Governments and National Human Rights Institutions Disagree; The Australian and New Zealand Experiences Compared’; Jason L.Pierce, ‘Theorizing Communities and the Politics of Rights Protection: The Australian Implied Rights Experiment’
	1 pm - 2		Lunch
	2pm- 3.30	G-29	Kenneth Holland, ‘Rights Protection in Japan: The Political Dimension’; Menachem Hofnung, ‘Courts as an Electoral Arena’

