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At a time when both Australia and the United States face challenging economic and trade environments, the trade agreement between the

two countries will be the focus of a two-day symposium being held in Canberra in August.

The 2009 Fulbright Symposium on the Australian and United States Free Trade Agreement (AUSFTA), organised by The University of Queensland, will seek to provide a reappraisal of the impact of the AUSFTA across a broad range of areas.

It will seek to explore how the Agreement is likely to influence the ongoing development of trade policy, looking specifically at the impact of the AUSFTA on the future trade relationship between Australia, the United States and third party countries in the Asia-Pacific region.

The symposium seeks to bring together policymakers, representatives from industry and peak bodies, academics and commentators working in policy think tanks.

Speakers and panelists will be drawn from across these groups and will include AUSFTA negotiators, representatives from the Wine, Grains, Medical and other sectors and leading academic commentators from Australia, Hong Kong and the United States.

The symposium is being organised by Dr Robert Burrell and Ms Kimberlee Weatherall from The University of Queensland's TC Beirne School of Law.

The symposium will be held on August 24 and 25, 2009 at Old Parliament House, in Canberra.

Further information is available from the Symposium website: <http://www.law.uq.edu.au/fulbright2009>

Media: For more information and interviews contact Ms Kimberlee Weatherall (07 3346 7503) or Dr Robert Burrell (r.burrell@law.uq.edu.au).

Journalists will be required to register to attend the symposium. For more information contact Teola Marsh, Acting Marketing Manager, TC Beirne School of Law (07 3365 2523 or t.marsh@law.uq.edu.au).

About the Fulbright Symposium
 Funding to host the Fulbright Symposium is awarded by the Australian-American Fulbright Commission to only one organisation each year to further the Commission's mission of "promoting mutual understanding between the peoples of the United States and Australia through educational and cultural exchange".



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