

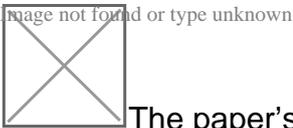
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AOC Tries To Outdo Australia

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[The largest coal exporter](#) in the world is working harder than any other country to wind down one of its [largest export earners](#). As [Australia: the Renewable Energy Superstar](#) from the Australian National University released on Friday shows, Australia is installing renewable generators more than twice as fast as Germany, and 4 to 5 times faster per capita than the US, Japan, or China:

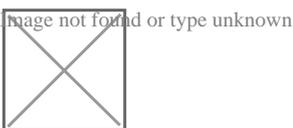


The paper's claim that the net cost of adding renewables is zero is astonishing. As Jo Nova's [awesome response](#) notes, adopting renewables is "straight-forward" or "sustainable" if you have trillions of dollars to spare and nothing better to spend it on.

The Heritage Foundation pointed out on Friday that global temperatures have been [fluctuating dramatically for millennia](#) due to natural causes – so of course the time is right for [US presidential candidates to blindly rush to endorse a radical Green New Deal](#) to transform the American economy.

Among the [proposals listed in the plan](#) released by Democratic congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez last week were to [print more money to provide](#) "economic security" for those unwilling to work, abandon coal, oil, and natural gas within 10 years, renovate every American home and build a high-speed rail system to eliminate air travel. So that's bad news for our Hawaiian readers...

We're excited to announce that Dave Rubin, host of [The Rubin Report](#), will be appearing with James Bolt and Peter Gregory on the next episode of [The Young IPA Podcast!](#) In the episode to be released on Tuesday, Dave discusses his tour with Dr Jordan Peterson, the intellectual dark web, the future of digital media and why he's optimistic. It will be available on all podcast platforms and our YouTube channel on Tuesday at 3pm.



Free speech on campus in the UK is so bad you can't even talk about it anymore! As the Bristol University Free Speech Society learned, a discussion on campus to ask 'Is there a free-speech problem on campus?' was decisively answered when [one of the speakers was banned](#) because of



fears his appearance would cause ‘public disorder’.

When will politicians realise that walls are cruel and don’t work? No, I’m not talking about Trump’s border wall – I’m talking about Democrat poster-boy Beto O’Rourke’s anti-wall rally which was surrounded... [by a wall](#). That link comes from Benny Johnson, who is apparently the foremost expert on wall hypocrisy – watch his [video](#) published last week visiting the harshest critics of Trump’s immigration policies whose homes are barricaded behind, well, you know...

Professor Stephen Hicks joined [The Looking Forward Podcast](#) for a special episode with Scott Hargreaves, Dr Chris Berg, and Dr Bella d’Abrera on the origins of post-modernism, why post-modernists hate free speech so much, the idea of envy and resentment, and the impact on the humanities. The episode will be out tomorrow, so make sure you are subscribed on any podcast platform you use so you don’t miss it!

And don’t forget to book your tickets to see Dr Hicks’ *Adventures in Postmodernism* tour in Australia in March. True Arrow Events are offering a 10% discount for *Hey* readers who use the promotional code ‘pomo10’. To take advantage of the offer, click the link for [details and tickets](#).

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And for *Hey* readers in Darwin next Friday, tickets are still available to see a fantastic line up of speakers discuss ‘Identity Politics vs Liberalism’ featuring Cr Jacinta Nampijinpa Price, Warren Mundine AO and IPA Director of Policy Gideon Rozner. [Details here](#).

Article of the week:

Giles Udy, the English writer and historian of the Soviet gulag system, wrote this compelling 3,500 word essay in *Standpoint* magazine this month about UK Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn’s inner circle and their detailed plans to establish a [hardline socialist state](#).

IPA Staff Pick:

Each week an IPA staff member shares what they have enjoyed recently. Today: Scott Hargreaves

“[The Classicist](#)” is a monthly podcast from the Hoover Institution with Victor Davis Hanson, an expert on ancient warfare and Emeritus Professor of Classics at CalState. The February episode is “[Can higher education be saved?](#)” (based on a *National Review* article [of the same name](#)). Hanson surveys a broken system propped up by Government guarantees of runaway student debt driven by ever-rising fees, and argues that time in class spent discussing diversity is time not spent learning a language, reading the classics or many other things that would actually entail learning.



Here's what else the IPA said this week:

- John Roskam, [Banking Royal Commission: Duplicitous banks, foolish borrowers](#) – **The Australian Financial Review**
- Renee Gorman, [Radical feminism has no place in psychology](#) – **The Daily Telegraph**
- Bella d'Abbrera, [Children lose out if academics shade literature with gender politics](#) – **The Australian**
- Andrew Bushnell, [Queensland's rising incarceration rate calls for criminal justice overhaul](#) – **The Courier Mail**
- Bella d'Abbrera, [Three years in an Aussie re-education camp](#) – **The Spectator**
- Dimitri Burshtein, [A tax or attacks?](#) – **IPA Review**