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FREE PUBLIC LECTURE

The Ocean Australia Forgot

WAKING UP TO OUR OPPORTUNITIES AS AN INDIAN OCEAN SOCIETY

Early Indian Ocean trade created the first global economy, only to be usurped by the voracious European trade empires of recent centuries. Yet today the Chinese and Indian economies are accelerating and Australia cannot avoid the resulting effects. What will the consequences be for the economics, politics and environments of our region?

This free public lecture will explore Australia's historical status as a nation of the Indian Ocean, provide a snap shot of our relations in the region today and offer suggestions on where our future cultural and economic opportunities could lie, if we turned our gaze to the west.

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DEVLEENA GHOSH

Dr Devleena Ghosh works and teaches across a range of disciplinary areas. Apart from her research on culture and commerce in the Indian Ocean with others within the UTS Centre for Transforming Cultures, she is also researching the impact of information technology on rural and urban communities in South India. She is particularly interested in the enmeshing of cultures and technologies, in ideas of borders and space and in the constructions of migrant cultures and identities.

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Tuesday 13 September 2005
6pm drinks for 6.30pm start

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Lecture Room 413
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