

# **The Southern Cross Group**

*Promoting Mobility in the Global Community*  
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***Help us celebrate an historic change  
for Australians overseas!***

## **Australian Dual Citizenship Party**

**Tuesday 23 April 2002, 6:30 pm**

New Connaught Rooms  
Covent Garden Exhibition Centre  
61-65 Great Queen Street  
LONDON WC2B 5DA

Those with Student ID / Working Holiday Visas: £ 15  
Others: £ 18

For over 50 years, Section 17 of the *Australian Citizenship Act 1948* has operated to automatically take away the citizenship of Australians who take another citizenship in adulthood. In a global campaign over several years, the Southern Cross Group has been working on behalf of Australian expatriates to achieve the repeal of this provision. On 12 March 2002, the House of Representatives in Canberra voted to adopt legislation to repeal Section 17, and on 14 March the Senate also passed the legislation. From the date the Governor-General gives Royal assent to this new Act, Australians overseas will be able to take the citizenship of their country of residence without forfeiting their Australian citizenship under Australian law.

Come along on 23 April and toast the changes with us! Meet other Australians, their friends and families, and Southern Cross Group Committee Members. Hear about the advocacy work of the Southern Cross Group and other projects the Group is active on. Everyone is welcome!

Entry includes reception food, and a full cash bar will be available. Pre-registration is essential, using the attached registration form. Payment in advance is required. Cheques should be made payable to Lorraine Buckland, SCG UK Coordinator, and sent with the completed registration form to:

The Southern Cross Group  
PO Box 61  
Exhibition Road, London SW7 2DA  
Telephone: 020 7584 7268  
Fax: 020 7581 9894

E-mail enquiries to [ellie@southern-cross-group.org](mailto:ellie@southern-cross-group.org)

Further registration forms may be downloaded from [www.southern-cross-group.org](http://www.southern-cross-group.org)

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## Registration Form

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Name/s of Participant/s: .....

Title/Position (if applicable): .....

Company Name (if applicable): .....

Address: .....

Telephone Number: .....

Fax Number: .....

E-mail: .....

Signature/s: .....

I / we will be attending this event, and enclose a cheque for £ \_\_\_\_\_  
made payable to Lorraine Buckland, SCG UK Coordinator.\*

I / we cannot attend this event, but please put me / us on the mailing  
list for future events and free e-bulletins (e-mail address required)  
about the work of the Group.

The cost of this event for those with student ID cards or on Working Holiday Visas is £ 15. Student ID / Visas must be shown on arrival on the night. For all other participants, the cost is £ 18.

**Please return this form, with your payment, to:**

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\*Please note that the Southern Cross Group is a non-profit organisation and able to exist only due to generous volunteer efforts. The Group is not a legal entity in the United Kingdom, and consequently is unable to operate a bank account in its own name with a UK Bank. For this reason, for this event, we are asking people to make cheques payable to our UK Coordinator.