

CATALYST AUSTRALIA

“Conference welcomes the foundation of Catalyst Australia, a new national body bringing together progressive think tanks, unions and public intellectuals to shape and campaign for a future agenda for the left.

Catalyst Australia is the result of more than a year of consultation and planning between progressive opinion leaders. The focus of the organization will be to facilitate and coordinate left ideas, policy and research so as to better achieve our goals. Catalyst will play an active role in promoting and publicizing a left agenda across a broad spectrum of groups and in the media. The CFMEU along with other major left unions have contributed substantially to the foundation of Catalyst Australia.

In the new political environment of a Federal Labor Government, a strong forum for progressive ideas and policy formulation is essential. The agenda of the left should be well thought out, coordinated and backed by credible research. We trust Catalyst Australia will facilitate this and become an active campaigning body. The National Secretary should prepare a report on the activities of Catalyst Australia for presentation at the next CFMEU Conference.”

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