

**Register Now for the
Launching Conference!**

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I am a signatory of the *Time to Act* statement. I wish to attend the NLP Launching Conference.

I am **not** a signatory of the *Time to Act*. I am interested in joining the process for a new party of the left. Please send me a copy of the *Time to Act* statement.

I enclose \$ as my registration fee for the Launching Conference. (\$20 waged; \$10 concession - negotiable in special circumstances. Additional fee of \$5 for all Sydney signatories attending to subsidise interstate signatories' travel.)

I wish to attend the social function on the Saturday evening of the Conference. (Cost to be advised).

I will require childcare for children (state number and ages) for Sat/ Sun (delete if one day not required).

I am interested in the following policy areas

I will require a billet on Fri/ Sat/ Sun night

I am able to provide billets for people on Fri/Sat/Sun nights [Indicate any preferences]

Please make cheques etc payable to New Left Party.

Return this form to:

**New Left Party Launching Conference
GPO Box 1214,
Sydney NSW 2001. Ph: 02-267-6820**

**Why a new party of
the left?**

Socialist, left and progressive movements should not rely on the ALP to represent their interests. Nor should they be mere pressure groups on the ALP. They need their own political expressions active outside parliament as well as in the electoral process.

Movements, coalitions and alliances all play a vital role. However, a new party is essential to help link all the concerns and demands of various movements into a coherent strategy for social change towards socialism and, by so doing, to revitalise the theory and practice of socialism.

A party is also essential to help change prevailing ideas and to promote alternative policies and a strategy for social change among the Australian people.

A new party of the left should stand for social justice, human rights and liberation, the expansion of democracy, a diverse, multicultural Australia, a non-violent and nuclear-free world, and the goal of democratic socialist society which would implement these aims to the fullest extent possible.

The party would act to end all systems of exploitation between people and the destructive exploitation of nature.

(From *The Time to Act* statement).

Copies of this statement are available from the New Left Party, GPO Box 1214, Sydney 2001. Ph: (02)- 267-6820.

**New Left
Party
National
Launching
Conference**

Sydney

Sat. July 29 and Sun. July 30

***Your chance to
help launch a new
party of the left in
Australia!***

**University of Technology,
Sydney.**

***This is a preliminary leaflet. A brochure
with full conference details will be
published shortly.***

New Left Party Launching Conference

The first major national meeting of signatories of the *Time to Act* statement for a new left party will be held in Sydney on July 29-30.

If you have signed - or sign the *Time to Act* before or during the conference - you can take part in the launching of the new party.

One of the largest gatherings of the Left in Australia since the Broad Left Conference in 1986 is expected on that weekend to lay the basis for the founding conference of a new party of the left in mid-1990.

What will the conference do?

Already around Australia, preparations are well under way to form a new left party. The launching conference will speed up that process. Cultural, social and other festive activities will be held during the conference.

Policies:

Interim commissions already set up in various cities to draft basic policy statements will report to workshops.

Commission reports and workshops will cover women's rights; Aboriginal rights; economy and industry; social justice; democracy; international issues; environment; party strategy; party structures and organisation; multiculturalism and culture.

Other workshops will provide some "cross-fertilisation" between various areas (eg. unions and the environment).

New policy commissions will be established at the conference to draft full policy statements for the founding conference in mid-1990.

Interim structures:

An interim party organisation will be established in all centres, which supporters can join and through which they can help formulate, discuss and decide on policies and activities.

Campaigns:

Conference will decide on campaigns and action initiatives around which the interim party organisations can mobilise in the lead-up to the founding conference.

Promotion of the new left party:

The conference itself will publicise the proposed new party and discuss how to give the process a more public face through public meetings and media and other initiatives and by reaching out into occupational, locality and other areas.

Elections:

What attitude should we take to coming federal and other elections?

Conference decision-making:

All signatories will be able to speak and otherwise participate. As much as possible, decisions will be taken by consensus.