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## **CSBA Welcomes Dr. Ross Babbage, Non-Resident Senior Fellow**

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The Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments (CSBA) is pleased to welcome Dr. Ross Babbage as its newest Non-Resident Senior Fellow.

"Ross joins the CSBA team at a time when we, and the Nation as a whole, are keenly focused on the strategic challenges of the Asia-Pacific region," said Dr. Thomas G. Mahnken, CSBA President. "Ross' decades of western Pacific security experience, including years spent advising the Australian government and helping shape the Australia-United Alliance will bring a unique and much valued perspective to CSBA's research. I couldn't be more pleased to welcome him to the team"

Prior to joining CSBA, Ross served for 16 years in the Australian Public Service holding several senior positions, including Head of Strategic Analysis in the Office of National Assessments, and leading the branches in the Department of Defence responsible for ANZUS Policy and Force Development. He also worked as a special advisor to the Minister for Defence during the preparation of the 2009 Australian defence white paper.

He holds a PhD in International Relations from the Australian National University and Bachelor and Master degrees in economics from the University of Sydney.

His publications include, *A Coast Too Long: Defending Australia Beyond the 1990s* (Allen & Unwin, Sydney, 1990), *Rethinking Australia's Defence* (University of Queensland Press, St Lucia, 1980), *Australia's Strategic Edge in 2030* (Kokoda Foundation, Canberra, February 2011) and *Game Plan: The Case for a New Australian Grand Strategy* (Menzies Research Centre, Canberra, 2015).