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## **PUBLIC MEETING**

*hosted by Amanda Bresnan (MLA),  
ACT Greens Member for Brindabella*

*on*

# **Thursday 17th November 2011**

**12.30 pm**

in the Reception Room, ACT Legislative Assembly  
Civic Square, London Circuit, Canberra City

Topic:

## **What can we learn from the Portuguese decriminalisation of illicit drugs?**

Speaker:

### **Dr Caitlin Hughes**

Criminologist and Research Fellow at the National Drug and  
Alcohol Research Centre



Dr Hughes works as part of the multi-disciplinary Drug Policy Modelling Program (DPMP), which seeks to improve Australian drug policy by identifying what works, translating research evidence and engaging directly with policy makers. Dr Hughes' prime focus is improving understanding of the effects of different legislative regimes and law enforcement approaches, and the role of law enforcement relative to other aspects of drug policy.

One of Dr Hughes' Projects includes the impacts of the Portuguese decriminalisation of illicit drug use.

Other interests include the impact of media on public policy and public attitudes.

Light refreshments and  
tea/coffee will be  
available

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