



Waikato Branch

# India's Return to the Global Stage

## A Stocktake of Modi Foreign Policy

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Room J2.18, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, University of Waikato, Hamilton

Refreshments served from 5.30pm in the Department of Political Science & Public Policy, room J2.12



Dr. Ashok Sharma is Deputy Chair of the New Zealand Institute of International Affairs (NZIIA), Auckland Branch, and is currently based in Canberra where he is an Adjunct Faculty member at the University of New South Wales, Canberra campus at Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA) and Adjunct Associate Professor at Institute for Governance & Policy Analysis at the University of Canberra, as well as Head of “South Asia Strategic, Security & State Fragile Program” and Conjoint Head of “Indo-Pacific and Major Power Studies” at National Asian Security Studies Centre, University of Canberra.

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Dr. Sharma has published extensively and is one of the leading experts on India's foreign and security policies, and its global positioning. This seminar presentation will begin with the presentation of Dr. Sharma's book titled: *Indian Lobbying and its Influence in US Decision Making: Post-Cold War (New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2017)*



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