



Launch of the Collective Forecasting Competition

**Canberra
Thursday 16 February 2012**

AIPIO members and guests are invited to the launch of the Collective Forecasting Competition in Canberra on Thursday 16 February 2012. This AIPIO event features a presentation by Dr Eugene Dubossarsky of Prescient, a review of AIPIO events in 2012, and an opportunity to network with other intelligence professionals.

Where: BAE Systems, 78 Northbourne Avenue, Braddon ACT
When: 5.30pm for a 6.00pm start
Cost: Free wine, beer and canapés

Collective forecasting methods are making their mark by successfully predicting a range of events, including politics, economics, warfare and other current events of interest. The 'Collective Forecasting Competition' – to be conducted with the generous support of Prescient – introduces AIPIO members to a number of simple, powerful techniques, including probabilistic forecasting, forecast accuracy measurement, pooled (collective) forecasting and conditional forecasts. These are cutting edge techniques being used by a range of intelligence agencies overseas.



Dr Eugene Dubossarsky is a partner at Prescient, a consultancy specialising in advanced analytics based intelligence. He is the founder of Analyst First, a new movement that promotes a view of analytics as an intelligence activity. He is also a founder of the Institute of Analytics Professionals of Australia, now with 1500 members. Prior to Prescient, Eugene was Director of Predictive Business Intelligence at Ernst & Young. As a leading analytics expert he has appeared in print and on TV, and is a regular invited conference speaker.

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