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WOODSIDE WELCOMES APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSOR ROBERT BREUNIG

Woodside Energy congratulates Professor Robert Breunig of the Australian National University (ANU) on his appointment as the third Visiting Professor of Australian Studies at Seoul National University (SNU) under the Australia–Korea Foundation's flagship academic initiative.

Established through a collaboration between SNU, the Australia–Korea Foundation and Woodside, the Visiting Professor of Australian Studies program is designed to strengthen academic, cultural and people-to-people links between Australia and the Republic of Korea.

Professor Breunig is Director of the Tax and Transfer Policy Institute at the Crawford School of Public Policy at ANU. His research and policy leadership have made significant contributions to Australia's public policy debate across taxation, productivity, labour markets and economic wellbeing.

In her opening address on Wednesday to the 47th Joint Meeting of the Australia–Korea Business Council and Korea–Australia Business Council in Adelaide, South Australia, Australian Foreign Minister Senator the Hon Penny Wong said the Australia–Korea Foundation helps create new connections across business, education, science, technology, culture, the arts and sport, broadening and strengthening the Australia–Korea relationship for future generations.

"Relationships between countries are driven by interests, but they are sustained by people. And they must be reinforced, thoughtfully, deliberately and constantly by all of us," Minister Wong said.

The Visiting Professor of Australian Studies program reflects this commitment by fostering enduring academic and intellectual connections between Australia and Korea and strengthening people-to-people links between the two countries.

During his tenure, Professor Breunig will teach, undertake research and engage in public outreach activities at SNU's Graduate School of International Studies, helping to deepen knowledge of Australia and strengthen collaboration across the Indo-Pacific.

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