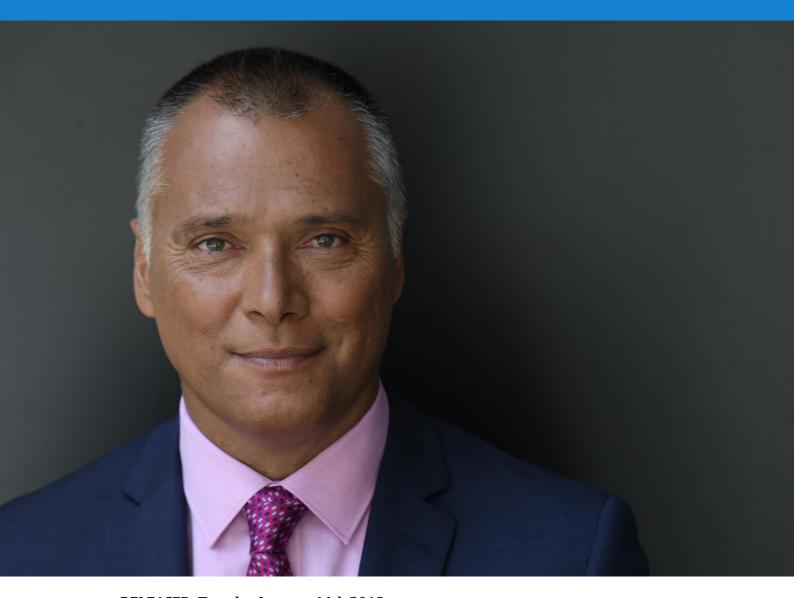


## Media Release



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## New on ABC NEWS Channel – Matter of Fact with Stan Grant

 $9{:}00pm$  AEDT from Monday to Thursday on ABC NEWS and on iview

In a world awash with bogus news, dubious sources and noisy opinions, **Stan Grant** brings Australian audiences the essential context they need to separate facts from fiction on the important issues of the day.

Starting Monday 29 January, *Matter of Fact* will air nationally 9:00pm-9:45pm AEDT from Monday to Thursday on ABC NEWS, Australia's leading 24-hour news channel, and on iview.

In every program, Grant, an award-winning journalist, author and commentator, will take a deep dive into a major story. The program will also feature regular contributors covering the economy, technology, history, music and the arts.



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Grant says: "*Matter of Fact* is interested in ideas – what people know more than what they think. I want to have fun talking to smart people about big things.

"There is too much opinion for opinion's sake, too much public debate that is just about who can shout the longest or loudest.

"Australians are smart people who are tapped into the world. *Matter of Fact* will respect that intelligence, not just stoke more anger. If you think you know something, then think again – that's what I want this show to be about."

*Matter of Fact This Week*, showcasing the best conversations of the week, will air on ABC NEWS every Saturday at 9:15pm.

## **ABC NEWS**

ABC NEWS channel provides around-the-clock coverage of news events as they break at home and abroad. It's news when you want it, on your platform – TV, mobile and online. ABC NEWS is available on channel 24 and is streamed online at www.abc.net.au/news, on iview and on YouTube. You can also watch ABC NEWS on your mobile device, and join the conversation and follow ABC NEWS on Facebook and Twitter.

ABC NEWS channel reaches 3.4 million people every week metro + regional. Its top-rating programming last year included WA Votes: Election Night Live; Budget 2017: Analysis; and rolling coverage of the same-sex marriage postal survey result and the London terror attacks.

For more information or to request an interview with Stan Grant: Sally Jackson ABC NEWS jackson.sally@abc.net.au