In Greek mythology, Theseus used a ball of string to get out of a labyrinth; so this presentation will do the same in the field of Australian corporate reform and in particular focus on corporate governance. This presentation examines the difficult issue of predicting future developments in corporate law reform, based on historical developments to date, in the Australian context. The many topics to be discussed are grouped according to three predominant themes, first, officers/directors; second, shareholders/institutions & AGMs; and third, global corporate governance. The key assessment of the presentation will concern the question of whether the corporate reform agenda of governance has evolved over the last twenty years, or whether there has been a revolution, or even, whether the future holds the possibility of revolutionary reform?

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