

Law and Management

Business Ethics - Fora on the Wonthaggi desalination plant

Background

La Trobe University School of Management senior lecturer, Dr Rosaria Burchielli has redeveloped the Business Ethics subject to engage students and key business, media and community representatives in debates on environmental ethics, privatisation and corporate management of natural resources.

Business Ethics will launch a series of fora over two weeks in October where students will assume roles in simulated government hearings and media debates on the complex ethical issues in the Wonthaggi Desalination Plant. Within this challenging context, students will present the results of their research to panels comprising experts in media, ethics, business and the environment.

The expert panels will be floored by media and community figures such as ABC Radio National's Paul Barclay and Banyule Major, Tom Melican. The fora will provide an authentic learning experience featuring a current community issue and an opportunity for students to understand the links between ethics and social or business reality.

Fora dates

The fora will run between October 12 2009 - October 22 2009 inclusive.

Location

The fora take place in various locations on the Melbourne (Bundoora) campus.

Prerequisites

Students currently enrolled in year two Business Ethics subject, MGT2BET are eligible to attend.

A limited number of visitors and guests will be admitted on application.

Podcasts

Persons unable to attend will be able to listen to selected sessions in the MP3 format. Details will be released on the Faculty of Law and Management's Student Portal.

Fora schedule

| Date | Day/Time | Location | Panellists |
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| October 12 2009 | Monday 10.00am | Marting Building room 341 | Allan Bawden, CEO of Bass Shire Council Dr Janna Thompson, Associate Professor Environmental Ethics Holly Foster, PhD candidate in area of sustainable water management |
| October 13 2009 | Tuesday 9.00am | Glenn College Airport Lounge | Tom Melican, Mayor of Banyule Dr Terri Joiner, Head of School, School of Management |
| October 14 2009 | Wednesday 10.00am | Social Sciences room 402 | Michael Morehead, Principle Litigator at Environmental Law Firm Zena Helman, Director Helman Environmental |
| October 14 2009 | Wednesday 2.00pm | Peribolos West room 215 | Dr Nicola McNeil, Lecturer, School of Management Gary Martyn, Central Coast Board |
| October 15 2009 | Thursday 1.00pm | Peribolos West room 215 | Brian O'Sullivan, Manager, Communication and Customers, City West Water Neil Rankine, Vice President Watershed Victoria Richard Di Natale, Lead Senate Candidate, Australian Greens Victoria |
| October 19 2009 | Monday 10.00am | Marting Building room 341 | Kenneth Davidson, Co-editor of Dissent Magazine, Contributor to The Age Professor David Spencer, Associate Dean (Academic), Faculty of Law and Management Dr Suzanne Zyngier, Senior Lecturer, School of Management |
| October 20 2009 | Tuesday 9.00am | Glenn College Airport Lounge | Dr Lynne Leveson, Director of Teaching and Learning, School of Management Dr Rosaria Burchielli, Senior Lecturer, School of Management |
| October 21 2009 | Wednesday 10.00am | Social Sciences room 402 | Dr Anke Leroux, Senior Lecturer, School of Economics Matthew Riddle, Educational Designer, Law and Management |
| October 21 2009 | Wednesday 2.00pm | Peribolos West room 215 | Paul Barclay, Presenter Radio National Australia Talks Richard Aedy, Presenter Radio National, Life Matters |
| October 22 2009 | Thursday 1.00pm | Peribolos West room 215 | Rob Gell, Director of World Wind Pty Ltd Anabelle Quince, Presenter on Radio National, Rear Vision |