

Sustainable Development: Beyond Carbon

Business forum

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Melbourne Marriott Hotel



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Introduction

The La Trobe Institute for Social and Environmental Sustainability invites you to a business forum.

Sustainable development is being corralled by the carbon accounting debate, but it needs to engage with issues much broader than concerns about carbon emissions. Organisations have the opportunity to contribute to other environmental imperatives and social issues whilst maintaining their social licence to operate. Participants will:

- ▶ discuss climate change response in Australia and internationally;
- ▶ consider the broader approaches to sustainable development beyond the environmental issues and,
- ▶ promote partnerships between government, business and society.

Who should attend

Business Leaders, Community and Government Leaders, Policy Makers, Sustainability and Corporate Citizenship Practitioners, NGO leaders, Human Resource Executives, Business Strategists

The program will commence at 9:00 am with registration beforehand and conclude by 4:30 pm.

Key Themes

- ▶ Social and environmental impacts of renewable energy and carbon
- ▶ Business, human rights and links to community development



Business forum registrations

- ▶ **16 January 2012**
Last date for early bird registrations
- ▶ **13 February 2012**
Last date for registrations.

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Draft schedule

DAY	EVENT
8.30am	Registration and coffee
9.00am	Opening Professor Carol Adams, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Sustainability), La Trobe University
9.15am	Keynote Charles Berger, Director of Strategic Ideas, Australian Conservation Foundation
10.00am	Plenary ICT Sustainability: The Global Benchmark 2011 – implications for 2012 and beyond. Alison Rowe, Global Executive Director Sustainability, Fujitsu
11.00am	Tea Break
11.30am	Panel: Social and environmental impacts of renewable energy and carbon Panel: Tim Nelson, Head of Economic Policy and Sustainability, AGL Energy Limited, Integrating social and environmental considerations into policy decision making: a case study on solar PV feed-in tariffs. Dr Peter Holt, Principle Consultant, Energetics, Climate change response across Australian business sectors: contributions to the national emissions reduction target. Matthew Wright, Executive Director, Beyond Zero Emissions, The state of renewables around the world and the Merit Order Effect with regards to Wind and Solar.
12.45pm	Lunch
1.30pm	Panel: Business, human rights and links to community development Chair: Professor Dennis Altman, La Trobe University Panel: Dermot O’Gormon, WWF-Australia Chief Executive Officer, Resource scarcity, reducing ecological footprint and the role the private sector has in sustainable commodities – from farmers to multi-nationals. Vanessa Zimmerman, Legal Advisor at UN SRSG Business and Human Rights, Impact on Australian companies of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. James Ensor, Oxfam Australia, Director of Public Policy and Outreach. Professor Ken McPhail, La Trobe University.
3.00pm	Tea Break
3.30pm	Closing Plenary Sustainable development – an obligation or an opportunity? Maria Sillanpaa, Founding Director, Sustainability Advisory Group
4.30pm	Summary

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