

Land Use Change Law and Policy: Environmental Law Symposium in Australia

Following the 2013 IUCN Academy of Environmental Law Colloquium in Hamilton, NZ
Hosted by the University of New England, the University of Western Sydney and the University of Technology Sydney

Symposium Programme

Sunday, 30 June

All Day	<p>Delegates arrive from New Zealand and other locations Accommodation provided at 'BreakFree on George' http://www.breakfree.com.au/on-george/ 653 George Street, Sydney, Phone: (02) 9284 4500</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - You can take a train to nearby Central Station or a taxi from the airport. Visit http://www.airportlink.com.au/ for more information about train services and prices. Average taxi fare for this trip is \$35-40 AUD.
6:00pm	<p>Meet in the lobby of the BreakFree on George to walk with other delegates to dinner (at delegate's own expense); or feel free to explore the surrounding area at your own pace. The hotel is within walking distance of Chinatown, Darling Harbour, as well as many other pubs, cafes and restaurants.</p>

Monday, 1 July

	<p>Please note that breakfast is not included with your accommodation in Sydney. There are ample cafes nearby where you will be able to obtain breakfast, including at the hotel itself.</p>
8:20am	<p>Meet in the lobby of the BreakFree on George; bus departs at 8:30am sharp for our field trip.</p> <p>We will attend the UWS RiverFarm Sustainability Education Centre just outside Richmond on the banks of the Hawkesbury River. After a tour of the facility we will proceed to an 'outdoor' amphitheatre overlooking the river for a Welcome to Country from an elder of the Dharug nation: http://www.uws.edu.au/bringing_sustainability_to_life/sustainability/community_and_engagement/hawkesbury_riverfarm</p> <p>From there we travel to the UWS Hawkesbury campus for a short guided tour of the \$40 Million FACE facility on campus: http://www.uws.edu.au/hie/facilities/face</p> <p>We will proceed to the Earthcare Centre (http://www.earthcare.org.au/) for lunch and some short presentations, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Michael Adams – UWS Dean of Law - Emeritus Professor Geoff Scott (recently retired Executive Director of Sustainability and Professor of Education) speaking on UWS's role in being designated by the United Nations as a Regional Centre of Expertise for Sustainability Education - John Street, Chair of the Hawkesbury Environmental Network - Alan Midgely, current Hawkesbury River Waterkeeper

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kevin Rizzoli, Chair of WISER Water Network <p>Our bus will then return to the BreakFree on George mid-afternoon.</p>
5:30pm	<p>Meet in the lobby of the BreakFree on George to walk with other delegates to the University of Technology Sydney for light refreshments and a discussion panel on 'Australia's Environmental Challenges'.</p> <p>Senior academics and researchers from the UTS Faculty of Law and UTS Institute for Sustainable Futures will speak about Australia's most pressing environmental challenges and how their research will contribute to addressing those issues. A question and answer session will be held after the panel discussion. Speakers include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chair of Panel: Jonathan La Nauze, Acting Healthy Ecosystems Program Manager, Australian Conservation Foundation - Dr Sophie Riley, Senior Lecturer at UTS:Law - Dr Angela Dwyer, Senior Lecturer at UTS:Law - Professor Natalie Stoianoff, Director, Intellectual Property Program at UTS:Law - Joanne Chong, Research Director at the UTS: Institute for Sustainable Futures - Dr David Leary, Senior Lecturer at UTS:Law <p>More information is available at: http://cfsites1.uts.edu.au/law/news-events/events-detail.cfm?ItemId=34739</p> <p>At the conclusion of the panel discussion at 7:30pm, delegates will be able to walk to any of the nearby restaurants for dinner (at own expense).</p>

Tuesday, 2 July

	Please note that breakfast is not included with your accommodation in Sydney. There are ample cafes nearby where you will be able to obtain breakfast, including at the hotel itself.
8:30am	Check-out from BreakFree on George; meet in hotel lobby with luggage
9:00am	Bus departs Sydney for Port Macquarie
12:00pm (approx)	<p>Lunch stop at Bulahdelah – Plough Inn Hotel http://www.ploughinnbulahdelah.com/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Delegates will be able to purchase lunch (at own expense) from the menu, which includes light lunches as well as full meals
3:00pm (approx)	<p>Wine tasting at Bago Vineyards, Wauchope http://www.bagovineyards.com.au/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Delegates will enjoy a wine tasting accompanied by cheese platters, including local gourmet cheese
5:00pm (approx)	<p>Arrive at Rydges Hotel, Port Macquarie http://www.rydges.com/accommodation/regional-nsw/port-macquarie/welcome/ 1 Hay Street, Port Macquarie, Phone (02) 6589 2888</p>
6:45pm	Meet in the lobby of the Rydges Hotel; bus transport to 'The Stunned Mullet' for dinner (http://www.thestunnedmullet.com.au/)

Wednesday, 3 July

	Breakfast is included with your accommodation in Port Macquarie. Please ensure you make time to enjoy breakfast before check-out.
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8:30am	Check-out from Rydges Port Macquarie; meet in hotel lobby with luggage
9:00am	<p>Bus departs Port Macquarie for Dorrigo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - During the trip, you will hear from Dr Jacqueline Williams, Postdoctoral Research Fellow with the Australian Centre for Agriculture and Law who will explain some of the land use challenges facing the Dorrigo area at present.
12:00pm (approx)	<p>Lunch stop at Canopy Cafe, Dorrigo Rainforest Centre http://www.canopycafedorrigo.com/rainforestcentre.php</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Canopy Cafe has developed environmentally sustainable waste management as part of the Green Table accreditation. The Cafe showcases local organic produce and beautiful natural surroundings, encouraging visitors to be passionate about both nature and food. Lunch will be followed by an educational rainforest walk, please ensure you wear comfortable clothes and walking shoes, and have wet weather protection available.
5:00pm	<p>Arrive at Quality Hotel Powerhouse, Armidale http://www.qualityhotelpowerhouse.com.au/armidale/ 31 Marsh St, Armidale, Phone: (02) 6772 7788</p>
7:00pm	<p>Meet at the on-site Azka Restaurant and Tapas Bar for dinner http://www.qualityhotelpowerhouse.com.au/armidale/dining.html</p>

Thursday, 4 July

	Breakfast is included with your accommodation in Armidale. Please ensure you make time to enjoy breakfast before you depart for the day.
8:45am	Meet in hotel lobby; bus departs for the University of New England
9:00am	<p>Land Use Change Law and Policy Symposium – Lewis Seminar Room, School of Law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome from Professor Jamie Benidickson, Director IUCN Academy of Environmental Law - Welcome from Professor Paul Martin, Director – Australian Centre for Agriculture and Law - Session One - The ‘Next Generation of Rural Landscape Governance in Australia’ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Overview – Professor Paul Martin and Dr Amanda Kennedy o Improving the behavioural effectiveness of environmental law – Professor Don Hine and Michael Forsyth (PhD student) o The rules of engagement: improving institutional mechanisms for community engagement in natural resource governance – Tanya Howard (PhD student) o What role for voluntary environmental programs in next generation governance? – Andrew Lawson (PhD student)
10:30am	Morning tea – Law Staff Library
11:00am	<p>Land Use Change Law and Policy Symposium – Lewis Seminar Room, School of Law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Session Two – Evaluating Institutional Arrangements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The ‘Caring For Our Country’ experience – Professor Paul Martin o Regulating the control of invasive species in Australia – Dr Elodie Le Gal and Professor Paul Martin o Conservation covenants in Australia – Dr Amanda Kennedy o Japanese conservation law and policy – Keiji Akutsu
12:30pm	Lunch – Law Staff Library

1:30pm	<p>Bus departs University of New England for a short tour of Gostwyck and Uralla</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Officially known as 'All Saints Anglican Chapel', Gostwyck Chapel was built in 1921 in memory of Major Clive Collingwood Dangar who lost his life during World War I. Visit http://www.uralla.com/gostwyck-chapel-deeargee-woolshed-60.html for more information. - The town of Uralla was named by European settlers from the dialect of the local Anaiwan indigenous people, and means 'meeting place'. Uralla is a classic Australian country town with good dining options, and quirky boutique stores stocking everything from books, antiques, art and local wool fashion. See http://www.uralla.com/files/uploaded/file/A%20Day%20in%20Town%283%29.pdf for more information
5:00pm	Bus returns to Quality Hotel Powerhouse, Armidale
6:45pm	<p>Meet in hotel lobby; bus returns to the University of New England</p> <p>Dinner at the historic Booloominbah Collection (http://www.booloominbah.com.au/)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dinner speaker: Professor Jamie Benidickson, Director IUCN Academy of Environmental Law – 'Turning Water into Wine: The Chaffey Family and Intercontinental Flows in Water Law'

Friday, 5 July

	Breakfast is included with your accommodation in Armidale. Please ensure you make time to enjoy breakfast before you depart for the day.
8:45am	Meet in hotel lobby; bus departs for the University of New England
9:00am	<p>Land Use Change Law and Policy Symposium – Lewis Seminar Room, School of Law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Session Three – International Perspectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Eco-Cities as low carbon cities: An adaptation to climate change node? – Emeritus Professor Koh Kheng-Lian, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore and Director, Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law o A duty to protect the environment – Dr Nicolai Nyland, University of Oslo o <i>Res communes et amoenitas privata</i>: Protection of the Environment in Roman Law – Dr Tristan Taylor, School of Law, University of New England
10:30am	Morning tea – Law Staff Library
11:00am	<p>Land Use Change Law and Policy Symposium – Lewis Seminar Room, School of Law</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Session Four – Environmental Justice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Environmental justice and human rights: the North-South dimension: Professor Carmen Gonzalez, Seattle University School of Law o Natural resources exploration, environmental protection and indigenous peoples' rights in China: Associate Professor Anna-Maria Lundberg and Yong Zhou, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights o Indigenous peoples, Quilombolas and traditional communities rights in Brazil – Liana Amin Lima da Silva, Pontifical Catholic University of Paraná State, Brazil o Implementing the Nagoya Protocol (on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from their Utilization) to the Convention on Biological Diversity in Pacific Island Countries – Dr Justin Rose, Adjunct - Australian Centre for Agriculture and Law

1:00pm	Lunch – Law Staff Library
2:00pm	<p>Land Use Change Law and Policy Symposium – Lewis Seminar Room, School of Law</p> <p>- Session Six – Emerging Concepts in Landscape Governance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Vernacular knowledge and environmental law: cause and cure for regulatory failure – Dr Robyn Bartel, School of Geography and Planning, University of New England ○ Adaptive Management of Complex Agri-Environmental Systems: Reconciling Economics-Law Approaches with Resilience Thinking – Dr Graham Marshall, Principal Research Fellow, Institute for Rural Futures, University of New England ○ Understanding and Mitigating Intractable Environmental Conflicts Using Cognitive Frames Analysis – Dr Julian Prior, School of Environmental and Rural Science, University of New England ○ Summary and wrap-up – Professor Paul Martin, Director, Australian Centre for Agriculture and Law
4:00pm	Bus departs University of New England for Quality Hotel Powerhouse, Armidale
6:30pm	Meet in hotel lobby; bus departs for Peterson’s Winery at 6:40pm sharp Closing dinner at Peterson’s Winery (http://www.petersonsguesthouse.com.au/)

Saturday, 6 July

	Breakfast is included with your accommodation in Armidale. Please ensure you make time to enjoy breakfast before you check-out.
9:00am	<p>Check-out from Quality Hotel Powerhouse, Armidale; meet in hotel lobby with luggage Bus departs for Sydney at 9:30am sharp</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please note the journey will take approximately 6-7 hours. Convenience and meal stops will be made en-route. - The bus will make two stops in Sydney – one in the Sydney CBD at the BreakFree on George, and the other at Sydney Airport. - Note that accommodation from 6 July onwards must be arranged by delegates
	<p>For those who have organised to stay on in Armidale, we recommend the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visit the breathtakingly beautiful Dangar Falls - Tour Saumarez Homestead, an historic pastoral property built in 1888 (located near Armidale Airport)

General Information

July in Australia is winter time. Temperatures in Sydney and along the coast are milder than European and North American winters, but warm clothes are advised. Armidale however is 1100 metres above sea level and is quite cold (average daily high of about 12 degrees Celsius in July). Overcoats, gloves and scarves will make your stay here more comfortable! Otherwise, the dress code for the Symposium is smart casual. If you need to contact Amanda Kennedy in an emergency, dial local cell phone 0412 844 458.