

Planning for Climate Change



What do we know and what strategies can we use to deal with change and uncertainty?

The ACT Division of the Planning Institute of Australia, in association with SGS Economics & Planning, is pleased to present a special PD event, "Planning for Climate Change": a panel discussion focusing on climate change adaptation strategies.

The discussion will include a presentation by Clive Attwater, who will explore a case study of climate change impacts on the Clarence coastal area in Tasmania and discuss what risks residents are prepared to accept when understanding the impacts that climate change will have on their community and way of life.

Other distinguished speakers representing Federal government and other agencies will contribute to this lively debate by drawing on their own case studies, research and policy positions.

The presentation will be followed by a cocktail function.

Speakers:

Mr Neil Savery (Chair): Chief Planning Executive, ACTPLA & PIA National President

Mr Clive Attwater: Director SGS Economics & Planning, Hobart

Mr Guy Barnett: Research Scientist, CSIRO

Dr John Higgins: A/g Assistant Secretary, Adaptation Innovation Branch, Department of Climate Change

Prof Brian Roberts: Emeritus Professor, University of Canberra

PIA ACT Division

Evening Seminar and Cocktail Function:

Planning for Climate Change

Date: Wednesday 9 September, 2009

Time: 5.30pm (5.45 start)

Venue: Courtyard Gallery, Australian War Memorial

COST:

PIA Members: **\$20**

Non Members: **\$35**

PIA Student Members: **\$10**

RSVP: COB Friday 4 September

PIA ACT Division Manager

(Please see attached registration form for details.)

PIA acknowledges the generous assistance of SGS Economics & Planning in supporting this event.



Planning for Climate Change: the Speakers



Neil Savery (ACTPLA)

Neil is the Chief Planning Executive for the ACT Planning & Land Authority. Neil's previous positions include Executive Director of Planning SA and Director of City Planning and Special Projects at the City of Greater Geelong. Neil is heavily involved in national work around planning system reform,

improved administrative governance, climate change policy, collaborative planning and urban design practice, and spatial planning. He is a member of the Australian Building Codes Board, is the immediate past Chair of the Planning Officials Group, and National President of the Planning Institute of Australia. Neil holds qualifications in town planning, urban design and ecologically sustainable development, is an Adjunct Professor in Urban Design with the University of Canberra and a Fellow of the Australian Property Institute.



Clive Attwater (SGS E&P)

Clive is a Director of SGS Economics & Planning. He has qualifications in environmental science and an MBA. He has worked as a consultant for twenty years, and prior to that in university research, local government and small business. Clive has undertaken a number of studies on climate change impact, including a leading

study on the impacts of sea level rise in coastal areas of Clarence LGA in Tasmania and impacts of climate change on vulnerable households in the ACT. As a result of these projects and other work, he has developed approaches that can be applied to better enable the processes of adaptation to changes in the climate. His talk will discuss how these can be applied in a range of situations.



Guy Barnett (CSIRO)

Guy is a Science Leader within the Sustainable Cities & Coasts Theme of CSIRO's Climate Adaptation Flagship. Author of a large number of publications, Guy is currently leading an innovative partnership with the ACT Govt to develop a showcase of sustainable urban renewal in Canberra's East Lake precinct.

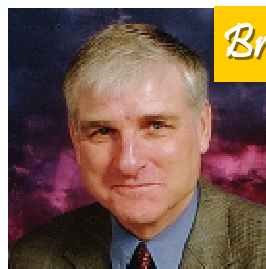
He is also working with researchers at ANU to build an interdisciplinary perspective on the health impacts of climate change in urban environments & opportunities for adaptation planning. Guy's talk will be focussed on the premise that Australia's urban form is not well designed to meet the challenges of climate change. He will argue greenhouse gas mitigation strategies remain important, but highlight the urgency for adaptation strategies to counter the climate change impacts already locked-in.



John Higgins (Fed Dept of Climate Change)

John Higgins is acting Assistant Secretary, Adaptation Innovation Branch in the Department of Climate Change. John has worked on climate change science and adaptation since 2004 and has been a Commonwealth public servant since 1993. Previous roles include

community development, reform of Commonwealth Environment legislation and State of the Environment Reporting. John has a PhD in chemistry and an MA in the history and philosophy of science. (TBC): John's talk will include a short summary of the Australian Government's climate change adaptation agenda.



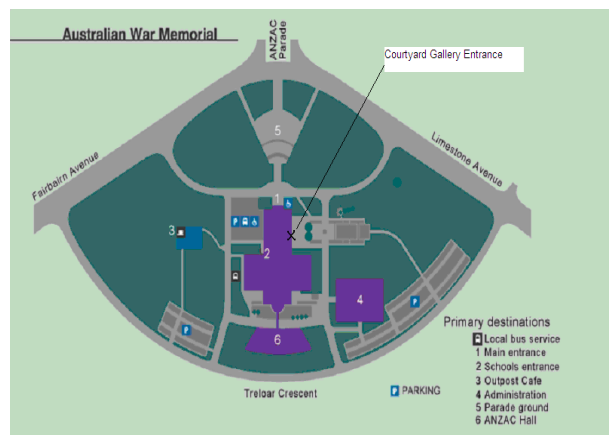
Brian Roberts (University of Canberra)

Brian is an Emeritus Professor of Urban Management at the University of Canberra and a director of the company Strategic Planning & Management Services (SPMS). An urban specialist with more than 35 years experience as a planner in more than 25 countries, Brian is the author of numerous books and other

publications. He recently edited and contributed to the book *Urbanization & Sustainability in Asia: Good Practice Approaches to Urban Regional Development*, and recently completed a research project with the Asian Development Bank on the application of the UNFCCC Clean Development Mechanism to help improve the design and management of Asian cities to combat the effects of climate change. He was the former Chair of the ACT Government's Sustainability Expert Reference Group.

Venue: Australian War Memorial

(Courtyard Gallery accessed via main entrance)



REGISTRATION & PAYMENT



Planning Institute of Australia—ACT Division Evening Seminar & Cocktail Function Planning for Climate Change

Wednesday 9 September, 2009

5.30pm—7.30pm

RSVP:

PIA ACT Division Manager

PO Box 5427

Kingston ACT 2604

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Fax: 6262 9970

Or email to act@planning.org.au

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Payment by cheque/credit card must be provided by the RSVP date, otherwise cash should be provided on the day. Please note: no late payments will be accepted and any person who RSVPs but does not attend will be billed for the relevant amount except in exceptional circumstances.

Tax Invoice/ Booking Form:

ABN 11 802 663 785

Upon payment this document can be considered a Tax Invoice.

Attendee Information (if different to contact):

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