2021 ACCEL Environmental Law Year in Review Conference

Australian Centre for Climate and Environmental Law

19 November 2021

9am – 4.40pm

Held online (Zoom details will be provided closer to the day)
# Program

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| 9.15 – 10.45am| **Session 1: Developments in International Environmental Law**  
Speakers  
Rosemary Lyster, The University of Sydney Law School, ‘COP26: Was it all just blah blah blah?’  
Tim Stephens, The University of Sydney Law School, ‘From Pollution to Pandemics: Recent Developments in International Environmental Law’  
Ed Couzens, The University of Sydney Law School, ‘Adoption of the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework’  
Q&A |
| 10.45 – 11.00am| Morning tea break                           |
| 11.00am – 12.30pm| **Session 2: Climate investment and nature-related financial disclosures**  
Speakers  
Erwin Jackson, IGCC, ‘Global emissions targets and investment trends’  
Laura Waterford and Geoff Summerhayes, Pollination, ‘Understanding nature risk as a financial risk’  
Kate Owens, The University of Sydney Law School, ‘Renewable Energy Zones and community benefits’  
Q&A |
| 12.30 – 1.30pm| Lunch break                                  |
| 1.30 – 3.00pm | **Session 3: Water resources**               |
Speakers  
Ed Muston SC, ‘NRAR prosecutions for water theft’  
Emma Carmody, Environmental Defenders Office, ‘Developments in public interest water law across Australia’  
Stuart Khan, The University of New South Wales, ‘The Warragamba Dam and the Floodprone Land Package’  
Q&A |
| 3.00 - 4.30pm | **Session 4: Federal issues, biodiversity and mining**  
Speakers  
Gerry Bates, Consultant, ‘Rethinking Environmental Regulation’  
Kirsty Howey, Environment Centre NT, ‘McArthur River Mine proceedings’  
Nicole Graham, The University of Sydney Law School, ‘Lost (to) Property: Koalas in 21st Century NSW’  
Q&A |
| 4.30 – 4.40pm | Closing remarks                              |