The Future of Environmental Law

A Symposium to mark the contributions of Ben Boer, Rob Fowler and Mahla Pearlman AO in the field of environmental and planning law

About the 2011 Symposium

This year the Symposium will honour the contributions to the development of environmental law of three outstanding individuals.

Emeritus Professor Ben Boer and Professor Robert Fowler have made, and continue to make, significant contributions in both Australia and internationally to the study and teaching of environmental law. The Symposium will also acknowledge the contribution to environmental jurisprudence by the Hon Mahla Pearlman AO, former Chief Judge of the Land and Environment Court of NSW from 1992 to 2003.

The Symposium will have four sessions, each with two speakers addressing the topic for 30 minutes, followed by questions from the floor. The papers from the Symposium will be published, together with some further selected articles from contributors.

The title of the Symposium, “The Future of Environmental Law”, is designed to provoke some discussion about the directions and value of environmental law in confronting the serious environmental problems facing us all. Next year, 2012, marks the 20th anniversary of the Rio Declaration and the 20th anniversary of the Framework Convention on Climate Change. It is appropriate to ask how far we have come since Rio and what the next 20 years holds for society and the planet.

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Friday 25 November 2011
9.00am – 5.00pm
Lunch and morning and afternoon tea will be provided

The Heritage Ballroom, Westin Hotel
1 Martin Place, Sydney
Access is via the hotel lifts — level 6 across the bridge

Program

9:00 – 11:00 Plenary Session
Rio +20 and Stockholm +40

11:15 – 1:00 Land
Biodiversity

1:00 - 2:00 Lunch (provided)

2:00 – 3:30 Air
Climate change challenges

4:00 – 5:00 Water
Oceans and water law

5:15 – 6.30 Drinks
The Heritage Ballroom, The Westin

The 2011 Australian Young Environmental Lawyer Award will be presented just prior to lunchtime.
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