2016 Environmental Law Year in Review
Australian Centre for Climate and Environmental Law

Friday, 24 February 2017

Draft program

8.30 – 9.00am  Registration

9.00 – 9.15am  Opening and welcome

9.15 – 11.00am  Session 1: Climate Change and Mining

Speakers
Ashley Stafford, Barrister, 11th Floor St James Hall Chambers – Adani litigation (ACF)
Craig Leggat SC, Barrister, Martin Place Chambers – Adani litigation (Native Title processes)
Rosemary Lyster, Professor of Climate and Environmental Law, Sydney Law School – ‘Implementing the Paris Agreement: What Role for the Courts?’
Danny Noonan – Juliana v US

11.00–11.30am  Morning tea

11.30am – 12.45pm  Session 2: Natural Resources

Speakers
TBC, EDO NSW – Major environmental law cases in 2016
Nick Thomas, Partner, Clayton Utz – NSW Wind Energy Planning Framework
Kate Owens, Lecturer, Sydney Law School – Water law developments in 2016

12.45 – 2.00pm  Lunch

2.00 – 2.50pm  Session 3: Planning for Sydney and Environmental Institutions

Speakers
Brendan Bateman, Partner, Clayton Utz - Planning for Sydney
Sue Higginson - Lawfare, the rule of law and importance of institutions for the environment

2.50 – 3.40pm  Session 4: Coastal Management

Speakers
Bruce Thom, Emeritus Professor, The University of Sydney – Coastal Management Reforms 2016
Tayana O’Donnell, Research Fellow, University of Canberra – Coastal Management Reforms 2016

3.40 – 4.00pm  Afternoon tea

4.00 – 4.50pm  Session 5: Biodiversity

Speakers
Ed Couzens, Associate Professor, Sydney Law School – international developments in biodiversity
Rachel Walmsley, Policy and Law Reform Director, EDO NSW – NSW Biodiversity Reforms

4.50 – 5.00pm  Closing comments