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ACCEL Environmental Law Year in Review Conference

**Australian Centre for Climate and
Environmental Law**



10 August 2018

Venue: CBD Campus, Level 18, 133 Castlereagh Street, Sydney (Stockland Building),
The University of Sydney

DRAFT PROGRAM



8.30 – 9.00am	Registration
9.00 – 9.15am	Opening and welcome
9.15 – 10.30am	<p>Session 1: Climate Change and Energy</p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>Rosemary Lyster, Professor of Climate and Environmental Law, The University of Sydney Law School - Paris Update (Rulebook and climate displacement)</p> <p>Graeme Dennis, HWL Ebsworth, Developments in relation of the National Energy Guarantee and legal issues related to new forms of generation.</p> <p>Danny Noonan, Climate Law Fellow, Our Children’s Trust, Climate Litigation 2017-18.</p>
10.30– 11.00am	Morning tea
11.00am – 12.45pm	<p>Session 2: Mining and the Environment</p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>Ashley Stafford, Barrister, 11th Floor St James Hall Chambers – Adani litigation (ACF)</p> <p>Elaine Johnson, Principal Solicitor, EDO NSW, <i>Groundswell Gloucester v Gloucester Resources</i> and <i>ACA v NSW Minister for Planning & Wyong Coal</i></p> <p>Session 3: Biodiversity</p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>Phillipa McCormack, Lecturer, University of Tasmania, Legal Frameworks for Biodiversity Conservation and Natural Resource Management</p> <p>Guy Dwyer, Senior Associate, Ashurst, Intersections between the <i>Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (NSW)</i> and the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW)</i></p>
12.45 – 1.45pm	Lunch
1.45 – 2.45pm	<p>Session 4: Environmental Planning and Greener Places</p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>Jane Threlfall and Barbara Schaffer, Government Architect NSW, Greener Places: Establishing an Urban Green Infrastructure Policy for New South Wales</p> <p>Breellen Warry, Partner, Holding Redlich, 2017 Reforms to the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 2017 (NSW)</i></p>
2.45 - 3.15pm	Afternoon tea
3.15 – 4.50pm	<p>Session 5: Coastal and marine issues</p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>Tim Stephens, Professor of International Law, The University of Sydney – Marine Plastic Pollution</p> <p>David Booth, Professor of Marine Ecology, The University of Technology Sydney – Great Barrier Reef - marine parks and draft management plans</p> <p>Session 6: Natural resources and valuing nature</p> <p><u>Speakers</u></p> <p>Emma Carmody, Senior Policy and Law Reform Solicitor, EDO NSW – Murray-Darling Basin update</p> <p>Ed Couzens, Associate Professor, The University of Sydney Law School – damages for environmental harm, valuing nature, and the <i>Certain Activities</i> case</p>
4.50 – 5.00pm	Closing comments