

Sustainability Assessment Symposium 2010 Towards Strategic Assessment for Sustainability 25-26 May, 2010 Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle, Australia

*Integral Sustainability invites you to participate in the Sustainability Assessment Symposium 2010, an interactive forum for sustainability assessment practitioners! Reflecting trends in the Western Australian and Australian regulatory environmental impact assessment processes towards strategic assessment **SAS2010: Towards Strategic Assessment for Sustainability** will take stock of recent trends and developments in this rapidly evolving field.*

Draft Program

Monday 24 May

Training Course 1: Sustainability assessment principles and practice

Training Course 2: Multi-criteria decision analysis (MCDA) for sustainability assessment

Tuesday 25 May

Plenary Speakers

Jenny Pope, Integral Sustainability - *Welcome to SAS2010*

Michelle Andrews, Acting General Manager, Office of the Environmental Protection Authority – *Opening address: Strategic Assessment in Western Australia*

Gary Prattley, Chairman WAPC – *Sustainability in Western Australian Planning*

Carolyn Cameron, Acting Assistant Secretary, Strategic Assessment and Approvals Branch, Commonwealth Department for Environment, Water, Heritage, the Arts, Australia - *Strategic assessments under the EPBC Act: Projects, policy settings and lessons to date*

Peter Newman, Director, Curtin University Sustainability Policy Unit – *Sustainability Assessment and Planning: The evolution of parallel universes*

Peter Elliott, URS – *Approaches to building sustainability into strategic evaluation/strategic assessment*

Scott Harrison, Environmental Specialist and BChydro Liaison Delegate to the World Business Council for Sustainable Development, Canada - *Valuing the role of ecosystem services in assessment*

Bill Grace, Manager Sustainability, GHD, WA – *Healthy and resilient socio-ecological systems - towards a common approach to sustainability assessment and management*

Martin Ward, Impact Assessment Specialist, NZ – *Sustainability assessment: The NZ report*

Alan Bond, University of East Anglia, UK – *The UK experience*

Francois Retief, North West University, South Africa – *The South African experience*

Jill Gunn, University of Saskatchewan, Canada – *The Canadian experience*

Bill Gorham, Aecom, California USA – *The Californian experience*

Bryan Jenkins, CEO Environment Canterbury, NZ – *Applications of strategic assessment*

Suzanne Brown, Manager Environment Branch, Water Corporation, WA - *Strategic assessment: has it delivered what proponents need?*

Sheridan Coakes, Director Coakes Consulting, WA – *The social perspective*

Panelists: **Warren Tacey**, Office of the EPA, WA and **Paul Gamblin**, WWF-Australia, WA

Join us from 17:00-18:30 for the Symposium Sundowner at Maria's on the Terrace, South Terrace, Fremantle (included in your registration)

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Wednesday 26 May: Concurrent Sessions

1.1 Sustainability Assessment in a Local Government Context

Chairs: Alison Dalziel, Morrison Low and Wendy Patterson, City of South Perth, WA

Brad Pettitt, Mayor of Fremantle – *Setting the scene*

Stephen Kovacs, Stirling Alliance – *The Stirling Alliance*

Wendy Patterson, City of South Perth – *Trees and views*

Alison Dalziel, Morrison Low – *NZ comparison*

2.1 Sustainability and Local Government - Workshop

Chairs: Alison Dalziel, Morrison Low and Wendy Patterson, City of South Perth, WA

Calling all local government practitioners and managers! This workshop will explore the top challenges for sustainability and its practice in local government.

3.1 The Theory and Practice of Sustainability Assessment

Bryce Skarratt, GHD - *Who's da Boss? - Impact Assessment and Strategic Assessment*

Michelle Graymore, Deakin University - *Significance of environment in the assessment of sustainable development: the case for South West Victoria*

Kathryn Buselich and Jim Singleton, GHD – *Human agency in the sustainability assessment process, real or imagined: a case study of integration of stakeholder participation in an LNG site selection MCA*

Carolyn Raphael, Murdoch University - *Designing Deliberation for Sustainability Assessment*

William Varey, Murdoch University - *Psycho-services in Sustainable Psychosystems: The role of strategic sustainability assessment in a healthy society*

1.2 Sustainability Assessment and Natural Resource Management

Bryan Jenkins, Environment Canterbury, NZ (former CEO of Western Australian Department of Environment) – *Sustainability appraisal and regional water planning in NZ*

Rod Safstrom, WA Department of Agriculture and Food - *Sustainability Assessment for Rural Subdivision*
Melissa Gordon, University of Tasmania - *Quantifying community engagement for sustainable forest plantations in Australian forest plantations*

Bob Humphries, Water Corporation of Western Australia – *From Waste to Water Quality*

2.2 Land Use Planning and Sustainability Assessment

Chair: Garry Middle, Curtin University, WA

Garry Middle, Curtin University - *From SEA to sustainability assessment in land planning*

John Glasson, Oxford Brookes, UK – *SEA and SA in the UK and Europe*

Carolyn Cameron, DEWHA – *Melbourne Urban Growth Strategic Assessment*

Barbara Pedersen and Kirsten Knox, Cardno - *Score card assessment of WA's strategic land use planning: has the past decade seen less sustainable planning?*

Garry Middle, Curtin University – *Environmental Assessments of Regional Planning*

3.2 Workshop: 2031 Draft Spatial Framework for Perth and Peel

Chair: Garry Middle, Curtin University

This workshop will explore WAPC's sustainability assessment of Greenfields land suitable for urban development to cater for a doubling of Perth's population

1.3 Sustainability Assessment for Infrastructure Planning

Nick Houldsworth, WorleyParsons - EcoNomics™ - *Integrating sustainability into project delivery*

Jane Scanlon, MandisRoberts and the University of Western Sydney - *A process for defining sustainability in the delivery of infrastructure projects – lessons from the NSW urban rail sector*

Rachelle Willis, Gold Coast Water - *The development and testing of a sustainability framework and assessment criteria for the planning of water services infrastructure*

Katrina O'Mara, AECOM - *SMART sustainability assessments for infrastructure planning and delivery*

Katie de Jong, SKM - *Sustainability drives multi-million dollar upgrade to Woodman Point Wastewater Treatment Plant*

2.3 Healthy & Resilient Socio-Ecological Systems - A Common Approach To Sustainability Assessment – Workshop

Chair: Bill Grace, GHD

Can a common framework be used to assess the sustainability of all kinds of proposals? This workshop will explore the applicability of a place based assessment framework to a variety of proposal types - infrastructure projects, urban development and products & services.

3.3 Tools and Techniques for Sustainability Assessment

Wahidul Biswas, Centre for Cleaner Production, Curtin University – *Life Cycle Analysis*

Brad Stelfox, ALCES, Canada - *Using the ALCES Landscape Simulator to assess the economic opportunity and ecological risk of Canada's oilsands industry*

Tiffany George, Metago - *Future proofing your company through sustainability-driven innovation*

Albena Bossilkov and Michele Rosano, Centre for Cleaner Production, Curtin University - *Sustainability Matrix - paving the road for the KIA sustainability roadmap*

SAS2010 will conclude with an interactive session for all participants from 15:30-17:00

Registration

Don't forget to register for SAS2010! Registration fees for the 2-day Symposium are:

- \$770 Full registration
- \$440 Day registration (either 25 May or 26 May)
- \$440 Training course 1 or 2 (24 May)

To register, go to our website www.integral-sustainability.net and click on the registration button on the sidebar. Registration services are provided by the Symposium Secretariat, EECW Pty Ltd.