

host



James O'Loghlin

James O'Loghlin is one of Australia's leading comedians and media personalities.

Since 2004 he has hosted 'The New Inventors' on ABC TV.

From 2002 to 2006 he hosted 'The Evening Show' on 702 ABC Sydney and ABC Local Radio around NSW and the ACT. James is currently writing a book on Work/Life Balance and has written and hosted his own television shows, and written and performed several popular live comedy shows, including "Lawyer Lawyer", about his 8 years as a corporate and criminal lawyer.

keynote address



Dr Tim Flannery AM

New ways to sustainable places

Tim Flannery is an internationally acclaimed environmentalist and environmental campaigner and Chairman of the Copenhagen Climate Council. He is currently a professor at Sydney's Macquarie University. He spent a year as professor of Australian studies at Harvard, where he taught in the Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology.

In 2002, he became the first environmentalist to deliver The Australia Day address to the nation. In 2005 he was honoured as Australian Humanist of the Year and, in 2007, he was named Australian of the Year. Tim will speak about creating a sustainability model for urban development in the 21st Century.

concluding address



Nick Rowley

What have we learnt and how must we act?

Nick Rowley is a Director of Kinesis, a Sydney based firm working to achieve greenhouse emission reductions. Kinesis is the principal consultant working with Landcom to develop PRECINX™. Over the past twelve years he has worked at the centre of government on sustainability, climate change and broader policy and political strategy in Australia and the UK.

Nick has worked at 10 Downing Street as an advisor to Tony Blair. He was part of a small team advising the Prime Minister on climate change prior to the G8 Summit at Gleneagles in July 2005.

Nick is also Strategic Director of the Copenhagen Climate Council working with senior global business CEOs and climate experts to help achieve a new global climate treaty at the UN Climate Summit in Copenhagen in December 2009.

concurrent sessions



thinking



Robyn Williams AM

How advances in science can be harnessed for the development industry

Robyn Williams is a renowned science reporter and journalist presenting The Science Show on ABC Radio National since 1975. Robyn has also presented television programs such as Nature of Australia and Catalyst, and appeared on World Safari with David Attenborough. Robyn has conducted countless interviews with scientists for ABC TV.

In 1993 Robyn was the first journalist elected as a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Science. Robyn will explore scientific advances relevant to the development industry.



Adam Ferrier

The psychology of sustainability

Adam Ferrier is a Consumer Psychologist and Founding Partner of Naked Communications. He began his career as a forensic psychologist and later made the natural move to marketing. Naked has been at the forefront of communications in Australia and works with clients such as BigPond, Unilever, and Coca-Cola. Naked was 2007AdNews Agency of the Year.

Adam will explore the 'psychology of sustainability': How do you drive consumer demand for sustainable planning, design and development, and sustainable living?



doing



Tristram Carfrae

How sustainability theory and research is coming together to influence engineering practice

Tristram Carfrae is a Structural Design Engineer responsible for the design of award winning buildings around the world including The Water Cube in Beijing. He is regarded as one of the world's leading designers of sporting stadia and light weight long-span structures.

In 2006 Tristram was appointed as a Royal Designer for Industry (RDI) by The Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufacturing & Commerce (RSA) and he is on the list of Australia's Top 100 Most Influential Engineers.

Tristram will explore sustainability theory and research for new buildings, and how this is coming together in practice, using The Water Cube and other international and local works as case studies.



Bernard Carlon

DECCW working with industry to help drive sustainable development

Bernard Carlon is the Divisional Director Sustainability Programs at NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water.

For 25 years Bernard has led sustainability policy and programs in community and Government organisations, including Health, Community Safety and the Environment. DECCW has made a significant contribution to the development of PRECINX™ through the Climate Change Fund and has been involved in steering the project.

Bernard will speak about how DECCW is helping to drive sustainable development in NSW and the priority issues ahead for the Department.



adapting



Dr Graeme Pearman

Adapting our cities: how must we build and re-build differently

Dr Graeme Pearman is a multiple award winning scientist and committed environmentalist. A science advisor to former US Vice President Al Gore, Dr Pearman consulted on the notable documentary The Inconvenient Truth. Dr Pearman is an international expert in research and the impacts of the increasing levels of carbon dioxide in the global atmosphere.

Graham has worked as Chief of Atmospheric Research and Climate Director at CSIRO. He has contributed to over 150 scientific journal papers primarily on aspects of the global carbon budget. He is currently Interim Director, Monash Sustainability Institute, Monash University.

Graham will explore the concept of adaptation in our cities - what we must do differently to respond to the challenges ahead.



Dr Keith Suter

The risks and opportunities of climate change and the options for us in Australia

Dr Keith Suter is one of the world's great thinkers and communicators. He is a thought-leader on global issues, a highly regarded social commentator, strategic planner, writer and broadcaster.

Keith is a member of the most prestigious global think tank in the world, The Club of Rome - comprising only 100 members including Mikhail Gorbachev, Bill Gates and Al Gore.

Keith was a recipient of the prestigious Australian "Peace Medal" during the International Year of Peace in 1986. He was also voted "Australian Communicator of the Year" in 1994.

Keith will speak on the risks and opportunities presented by climate change, and the options facing Australia, including the business opportunities. Keith's position is that all is not lost - it is possible, with enough political and business leadership, to avert disaster.