

NATIONAL FORUM:		
Expanding Local Renewable Electricity for Households, Precincts and Communities		
Date	Wednesday 6 June 2018	
Time	9.30 – 5.30pm	
Venue	TETB LG03 – Main Workshop TETB LG05 – Parallel panels	
Aim	To identify the barriers to expanding grid-connected small and medium-scale renewable electricity for households, precincts and communities, and policy options for overcoming them	
Objectives	To consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community renewable energy projects • Local electricity trading • Electricity tariffs for purchase from the grid and feed-in to the grid • Virtual power plants • Other related institutional issues 	
PROGRAM		
09:00	Registration	
09:30	START	
09:35	Welcome & acknowledgement of traditional custodians	The Hon. Robert Hill AC - <i>Chairman of CRC for Low Carbon Living</i>
09:45	Overview of issues	Dr Mark Diesendorf – <i>Education Program Leader of CRC for Low Carbon Living & Hon. A/Prof. UNSW</i>
09:55	Victorian policies	Simon Corbell - <i>Victorian Renewable Energy Advocate</i>
10:10	NSW policies	Katherine Hole - <i>Executive Director Policy and Strategy, Independent Planning Commission of NSW</i>
10:25	Discussion of state policies	
10:35	MORNING TEA	

11:00	Status of PV, batteries & software	Dr Renate Egan - <i>Chair of Australian Photovoltaics Institute and Co-founder and Chair of Solar Analytics Pty Ltd</i>
11:20	Local network credits & local electricity trading	Dr Sven Teske - <i>Research Director, ISF, University of Technology Sydney</i>
11:40	Network tariff design & analysis	Dr Rob Passey, <i>Senior Research Associate CEEM, School of Electrical Eng. & Telecommunications, UNSW</i>
12:00	Virtual power plants	Dean Spaccavento, <i>Cofounder and CEO of Reposit Power</i>
12:20	Financial impacts of solar PV & air-conditioners on Australian households	Dr Anna Bruce, <i>Senior Lecturer, School of Photovoltaic & Renewable Energy Engineering, UNSW</i>
12:40	Blockchain for peer-to-peer trading	James Eggleston, <i>PhD Candidate, CUSP, Curtin University</i>
1:00	LUNCH	
2:00	TBA	TBA
2:20	Parallel panel: (1) Community renewable	Dr Franziska Mey, <i>Senior Researcher, ISF, UTS, and Research Director, Community Power Agency</i> Jarra Hicks, <i>PhD candidate, UNSW</i> Elizabeth Tomc, <i>PhD Candidate, University of Sydney</i>
	Parallel panel: (2) Rules and tariffs	Luke Marshall, <i>PhD Candidate, UNSW</i> Sharon Young, <i>PhD Candidate, UNSW</i> TBA
3:30	AFTERNOON TEA	
4:00	Policy options	TBA
5:00	Closing remarks	Scientia Professor Deo Prasad AO – <i>CEO of CRC for Low Carbon Living</i>
5:15	CLOSE	



James Eggleston is a Doctoral Researcher at the Curtin University Sustainability Policy Institute. His area of interest is on technological transitions within the electricity utility sector. James' research is specifically focused on Blockchain applications used in conjunction with distributed renewable generation and storage. Based in Australia, with a global focus.

Sharon Young is a PhD Candidate working with the Centre for Energy and Environmental Markets (CEEM) at the University of New South Wales investigating the influence of tariffs on the impacts of decentralised energy resources on the Australian electricity industry and is currently in the final stages of her research.