

# 2<sup>ND</sup> WOMEN IN ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

PRACTICAL SKILLS TO GENERATE ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE & DRIVE CAREER GROWTH

16 - 19  
JULY 2019

PULLMAN MELBOURNE  
ON THE PARK

## LEARN FROM



**Kelly O'Shanassy**  
Chief Executive Officer



**Rachel Lowry**  
Chief Conservation Officer



**Dr Wendy Craik**  
Chair



**Dr Kate Auty**  
Commissioner for Sustainability & the Environment



**Lyn Bowring**  
Executive Director, Solar Homes Transition



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# MAKE YOUR MARK

Passion is the key ingredient that drives leaders toward environmental sustainability. So how do you harness this passion and turn it into action? It begins with cross-pollinating ideas and collaborating with other environmental professionals to pioneer change and innovation.

We're bringing together some of the most accomplished leaders in the field to explore the current climate of the industry and share leadership advice. Our lineup of experts will help you pave the way towards a sustainable future and make your mark as an environmental leader.

- ▶ **Drive** collaborative change with stakeholders
- ▶ **Cultivate** a forward-thinking mindset
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- ▶ **Innovative** techniques to tackle environmental issues

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## WHAT OUR DELEGATES ARE SAYING

*“Very worthwhile and incredible value for the access to industry best practices of women in leadership. Liquid Learning is excellent. Really flawless, thank you.”*

*“The best conference I have been to. Packed an extraordinary amount of information, speakers, and messages into the 2 days.”*

## 17 JULY SUMMIT DAY 1

### WALK THE TIGHTROPE BETWEEN COLLABORATION & LEADERSHIP

KEYNOTE 9:00 - 9:40

Achieving a sustainable future requires cooperation across the community, businesses and government. Kelly will help you walk the fine line between leadership and collaboration to achieve impactful environmental outcomes.

**Kelly O'Shanassy**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Australian Conservation Foundation



### SET YOUR GOALS

9:40 - 9:50

### FOSTER A FORWARD-THINKING MINDSET

CASE STUDY 9:50 - 10:30

Sustainable solutions require out-of-the-box ideas. As a sustainability entrepreneur, Gary will share advice on how you can foster an innovative mindset for yourself and your team.

**Gary Smith**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Biopak



### PAY IT FORWARD

CASE STUDY 10:50 - 11:30

The benefits of mentoring are myriad for the mentor and mentee. In this collaborative session, Nicole and Michelle will discuss how a mentoring relationship requires both parties to take responsibility for its development.

**Nicole Neal**  
Director, Environment & Sustainability  
Cardno



**Michelle Wilson**  
Sustainability Advisor  
Aesop

### CHANNEL PASSION INTO ACTION

CASE STUDY 11:30 - 12:20

Environmental leaders are motivated to secure a sustainable future by passion. Join Rachel to hear how she has harnessed this passion and used it to propel her leadership career.

**Rachel Lowry**  
Chief Conservation Officer  
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### EMPOWER THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

PANEL 1:20 - 2:20

Managing and mentoring an agile team is a challenging task. To cultivate the next generation of environmental leaders, you must support your team and enable them to thrive.

**Stephanie Ziersch**  
Director, Communities & Climate Change  
Sustainability Victoria



**Narelle Simmons**  
Group Manager, Environment  
VicTrack



**Dr Kate Auty** Commissioner for Sustainability & the Environment **ACT Government**  
Honorary Professorial Fellow **The University of Melbourne**



**Antoniette Michail**  
Acting Manager, Environment & Water  
Wyndham City Council



**Deb Cailles**  
Manager, Urban Sustainability  
City of Melbourne



### OVERCOME ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES THROUGH COLLECTIVE ACTION

CASE STUDY 2:20 - 3:10

An effective way to drive sustainable change is through community-led approaches. Kate will reflect on examples of community leadership programs that have resulted in positive environmental outcomes.

**Kate Auty** Commissioner for Sustainability & the Environment **ACT Government**  
Honorary Professorial Fellow  
**The University of Melbourne**



### OPTIMISE NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

EXPERT COMMENTARY 3:30 - 4:30

Knowing how to build constructive networks is an indispensable skill for unlocking your leadership potential. Productive networking skills can lead to the creation of support networks for like-minded individuals.

**Lina Patel** Facilitator & Collaboration Designer **Cloud Catcher**

### DRINKS & CANAPÉS

Continue to network while you enjoy complimentary refreshments. 4:30 - 5:30

# 18 JULY

## SUMMIT DAY 2

### LIBERATE THE LEADER WITHIN

KEYNOTE

9:00 - 9:50

Amanda will take you through her start up journey of developing Lord of the Fries. She will focus on what it takes to pursue a dream, how to be your own leader in order to lead others and why focusing on who you are will get you far in business.

**Amanda Walker**  
Co-Founder & Head of Operations  
**Lord of the Fries**



### SUSTAINABLE CHANGE

CASE STUDY

9:50 - 10:40

We can't create a sustainable future without disrupting the norm. And that means disrupting ourselves first. Sarah and Julia will share practical strategies to help you become a leader for change within your organisation and beyond.

**Sarah Anderson**  
Director & Co Founder

**Julia May**  
Director & Co Founder  
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### A LOOK INTO LEADERSHIP

INTERVIEW

11:00 - 11:40

This interview-style session will give you the opportunity to gain insight into Wendy's leadership journey and hear how she has made her mark along the way.

**Dr Wendy Craik**  
Chair  
**Climate Change Authority**



### COMMUNICATE WITH IMPACT

CASE STUDY

11:40 - 12:30

Leaders at the forefront of sustainability must harness the power of communication to enable progress. Lyn will share some practical tools to communicate your vision and values with optimum effectiveness.

**Lyn Bowring**  
Executive Director, Solar Homes Transition  
**Department of Environment, Land, Water & Planning**



### OPPORTUNITIES, ROADBLOCKS & EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN

PANEL

1:30 - 2:30

Effective leaders leverage challenges as an opportunity to learn, build and grow. Join this panel of experienced leaders to learn from their successes and the challenges they have faced.

**Rachel Ollivier**  
General Manager, City Sustainability & Strategy  
**Darebin City Council**



**Deirdre Griepsma**  
Manager, Sustainable Environment  
**Bass Coast Shire Council**



**Eloise Bishop**  
Head of Sustainability  
**Country Road Group & David Jones**

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**Catherine Anderson**  
Chief Customer Officer  
**Powershop Australia**



### THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX

CASE STUDY

2:30 - 3:20

To make your mark, you need to step outside your comfort zone and collaborate with non-traditional partners. Olivia will share her insights, experiences and anecdotes working across a range of sectors to advance organisational and personal sustainability goals.

**Olivia Tyler**  
Director, Sustainable Business Services  
**Westpac Banking Corporation**



### MAKE YOUR MARK

ROUNDTABLE

3:50 - 4:30

This interactive roundtable provides the opportunity to discuss challenges and collaborate, allowing you to find solutions to propel your leadership career and make your mark.

**Lina Patel**  
Facilitator & Collaboration Designer  
**Cloud Catcher**

## 16 JULY

# PRE-SUMMIT WORKSHOP

### LEAD FOR THE FUTURE - A LEADERSHIP TOOLKIT

To expand your influence, you must establish respect and recognise the importance of empowering future generations of environmental leaders. Discover how to channel your passion, harness innovative and adaptive leadership approaches, drive environmental progress and nurture a sustainable future.

#### Modules

- ▶ Identify your leadership style
- ▶ Evolve with changing environmental circumstances
- ▶ Foster a collaborative, innovative workplace culture
- ▶ Enable high performing teams

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## 19 JULY

# POST-SUMMIT WORKSHOP

### BRING STAKEHOLDERS ON THE JOURNEY

Engaging multiple stakeholders with differing perspectives and motivations can be a tricky task, but it's critical to the creation and delivery of sustainability strategies. This workshop will supercharge your stakeholder engagement skills and leave you feeling hopeful about your ability to create change.

#### Modules

- ▶ Identify and understand your stakeholders
- ▶ Influence up and down the chain
- ▶ Get creative with your communication skills
- ▶ Tactics to drive change

**Asha Kayla**  
Founder & CEO  
**Impact Faculty**

