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Climate Change

There's more to it than sink or swim

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Friday 16th July 2010,
8:00am - 4:30pm
Shangri-La Hotel,
The Marina,
Cairns Pierpoint Road,
Cairns QLD 4870



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DATE: 16 July 2010

TIME: 8.30am – 4.30pm
(registration from 8.00am,
networking drinks at conclusion)

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COST: \$125 Members
\$165 non members

DOOR PRIZE: 1 nights accommodation
at Shangri La Hotel

North Queensland is home to two incredible World Heritage Areas; the Wet Tropics and the Great Barrier Reef. Both are areas of high biodiversity and reknown beauty, and are already showing signs of the impacts of climate change.

The regional also support highly valuable resource operations. As environmental practitioners, climate change presents great challenges as well as opportunities to harness the unique resources of the region. If you work in environmental or resource management and want to increase your capacity to tackle climate change issues, this forum is for you.

Keynote Speaker:
PROFESSOR WILLIAM LAURANCE



William Laurance is Distinguished Research Professor in the School of Marine & Tropical Biology at James Cook University. He joined JCU recently after having spent 14 years with the Smithsonian Institution, an eminent U.S.-government research organization, based in Brazil and Panama. He is also a research associate at Harvard University.

Professor Laurance's research focuses on the impacts of intensive land-uses, such as habitat fragmentation, logging, and wildfires, on tropical forests and species. He is further interested in climatic change and conservation policy. He works in the Amazon, Africa, Southeast Asia, and tropical Australia, and has published five books and over 300 scientific and popular articles.

Laurance received his Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley in 1989 and then held research positions with the CSIRO and Wet Tropics Management Authority in north Queensland, before joining the Smithsonian Institution.

A leading voice for conservation, Dr Laurance believes that scientists must actively engage policy makers and the general public, as well as other scientists. He is a fellow of the American Association of the Advancement of Science and former president of the Association for Tropical Biology and Conservation, the world's largest scientific organization devoted to the study and preservation of tropical ecosystems. He has received many scientific honors including the prestigious BBVA Frontiers in Ecology and Conservation Biology Award, regarded by many as the 'Nobel Prize' for environmental conservation.

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Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority Library

Keynote Speaker:
TYRONE RIDGEWAY



Tyrone grew up in South Africa but moved to Australia to undertake his PhD on coral reef connectivity which he received from the University of Queensland in 2004. After the completion of his studies he worked as a postdoctoral researcher under Prof. Ove Hoegh-Guldberg, researching and teaching on climate change impacts on reefs. After a 2 year hiatus as a lecturer

at The Pennsylvania State University in the US, Tyrone returned to Australia to join the Climate Change Group at the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority in January 2010.



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
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PROFESSOR JON NOTT

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THE HONOURABLE
STEVE WETTENHALL

Queensland Member for Barron River
and parliamentary Secretary to the
Minister for Tourism



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Forum Program

8:00	Registration	
8:30	Welcome and Introduction	Cairns Regional Council – Chief Executive Officer - Lyn Russell
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MORNING SESSION		
9:00	Climate Change survey response	Robyn Stoney
9:15	Policy and Government commitment to “battling” climate change	The Honourable Steve Wettenhall MP Queensland Member for Barron River and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Tourism
9:30	Impacts of Climate Change on the Great Barrier Reef How can we protect this vulnerable ecosystem?	Dr Tyrone Ridgeway GreatBarrierReefMarineParkAuthority
10:00	Climate change and the future of tropical biodiversity: What do we know and not know?	Professor William F. Laurance, James Cook University, Cairns
10:30	MORNING TEA	All
11:00	Panel (An introduction to Themes)	Theme specialists and Keynotes
11:30	Theme Workshops Assessing risk and environmental impacts Sustainability assessment tools Greener buildings Strategic climate policy Protection of the Great Barrier Reef	Lynne Powell Maree Grenfell Emma Thirkell Gretel Purser Dr Adam Smith and Col McKenzie
12:30	LUNCH	All
AFTERNOON SESSION		
1:30	Predicting Extreme Events	Professor Jon Nott James Cook University, Cairns
2.00-3.00	Workshops on Themes - (attendees change workshop)	Theme specialists and facilitators
3:00	AFTERNOON TEA	All
3:30-4.00	Feedback of highlights from the Theme workshops, e.g. top 5 challenges and 5 tools & techniques	Theme specialists
4.00-4.25	Next steps for you the Environmental Professional	AssociateProfessorPeterWatermanRFD – Coordinator Climate Change, Coasts and Catchments, University of Sunshine Coast
4.25-4.30	Conclusion	Event convenor
4:30	Close and networking drinks	All

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Please indicate 2 preferences for the theme workshops

- Assessing risk and environmental impacts Strategic climate policy
 Sustainability assessment tools Protection of the Great Barrier Reef
 Greener buildings

Registrations can be
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