

16 March 2010

Dear Colleague

**Brisbane stakeholder workshop – Climate Change Adaptation
Expressions of Interest for the National Adaptation Research Plan for Settlements and
Infrastructure**

I am writing to invite you to a half day stakeholder workshop on climate change adaptation for settlements and infrastructure to be held in Brisbane on Wednesday 24th March 2010.

The aim of the workshop is to develop collaborative research projects in response to the Call for Expressions of Interest related to the recently released National Adaptation Research Plan for Settlements & Infrastructure (NARP-SI).

The NARP-SI was drafted for the Australian Government Department of Climate Change by the National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility (NCCARF) via a process incorporating workshops and public consultation throughout 2009.

Within NCCARF there are 8 Climate Change Adaptation Research Networks with the Settlements & Infrastructure Network being hosted at the University of New South Wales. Griffith University hosts the 'Coastal settlements' Node within the Settlements and Infrastructure Network.

The NARP-SI calls for Expressions of Interest by Friday 9 April 2010 for research projects that address defined research priorities in:

- Urban and regional planning and management
- Built environment
- Vulnerable coastal communities
- Infrastructure, and
- Cross cutting issues.

The NARP-SI, Call for Expressions of Interest, and Application Guidelines may be downloaded from

<http://www.climatechange.gov.au/en/media/whats-new/research-call-settlements-infrastructure.aspx>

The level of competitive funding available for S&I research is \$6.5M AUD over 2.5 years. Given the competitive nature of the grants process, the best chance of success is to bring key stakeholders together to develop and prioritise collaborative projects that respond to the identified Research Priorities in the NARP-SI.

Please indicate whether or not you are able to attend via email to Sally Kirkpatrick, s.kirkpatrick@griffith.edu.au by Friday 19 March – apologies for the short notice about the workshop but the timelines are tight and we are seeking to maximise the opportunities to lodge good EOIs. A draft program is attached. We will send more background on the workshop venue and process to confirmed attendees.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rodger Tomlinson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "R" and a long, sweeping tail.

Professor Rodger Tomlinson
Node Convenor, NCCARF Settlements & Infrastructure Network
Director, Griffith Centre for Coastal Management

Brisbane NCCARF stakeholder workshop on climate change adaptation for settlements and infrastructure

24 March 2010

Draft Program

- 10:00 Morning Tea and registration
- 10:30 Welcome and context: Professor Rodger Tomlinson, Node Convenor NCCARF Settlements & Infrastructure Network, Griffith University and Mr Richard McKellar, Consultant, Research Planning, NCCARF
- 11:00 Priority adaptation issues for Settlements & Infrastructure: Professor Rodger Tomlinson
- 11:20 Plenary discussion: Stakeholder R&D priorities
- 12:00 Workshop roundtable #1 – identifying research projects for collaboration
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Report back
- 14:30 Workshop roundtable #2 – developing research projects for collaboration
- 15:30 Afternoon tea
- 15:45 Report back, and next steps
- 16:15 Close