



15th Annual Conference of the International Environment Forum



Ethical Responses to Climate Change: Individual, Community, and Institutions

<http://www.internationalenvironmentforumhobart.com.au>

10-11 December 2011, Hobart

Bahá'í Centre of Learning for Tasmania, 1 Tasman Highway – Hobart – Tasmania – Australia
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In the news we are seeing more frequent reports of record droughts, heat waves, snowstorms, tropical storms, floods, bushfires, and famines. The vast majority of climate scientists worldwide agree that human emissions of greenhouse gases are causing global warming, and that this will very likely cause increased future extreme weather. In fact, many scientists think that recent weather extremes are already revealing the impacts of global warming.

Join us to take a deeper look at the ethics and science needed to cope with adverse climate change. Explore creative responses you, your community and your institutions can make to better preserve our planet, living the principle of the oneness of humankind to save our world.

One Healthy Planet, One People Living Ethically...Please!

At this important conference, you will hear from and engage with experts and scholars on climate change science and strategies to address this global challenge. You will also participate in interactive workshops to investigate the science and practical responses to climate change, learning what you can do now to make a difference.

PROGRAM DETAILS: Saturday 10th Dec, 9am—9.30pm with an evening reception and multimedia presentation. Sunday 11th Dec, 9am – 5.30pm, and optional evening program

Engage and discuss with expert panels on:

- Bahá'í responses to climate change
- Climate change and Australia's future
- Individual and community responses
- Getting "future ready"
- Role of faith communities
- Potential solutions to climate change
- Examples of successful international cooperation
- Being engaged while avoiding partisan politics
- Bahá'í international environmental perspectives

Participate in interactive workshops on:

- Science of climate change
- Bahá'í approaches to capacity building and responses to climate change
- Refugees and food security
- Reducing your carbon footprint
- Contributing to the environmental strategy of the Australian Bahá'í Community
- Education and career choices

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Full registration is \$120 (includes all materials, lunches, morning and afternoon teas)
Posters and artworks on the theme are encouraged. See the conference website for more information.

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

Ms. Tessa Scrine, Member of the Bahá'í Continental Board of Counsellors
Dr. Natalie Mobini, Director of the Office of External Affairs of the Australian Bahá'í Community
Dr. Arthur Dahl, President of the International Environmental Forum
Dr. Arini Beaumaris, Member of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Australia
Mr. Todd Houstain, Executive Officer of Sustainable Living Tasmania
Mr. Gareth Johnson, Co-Founder of Future Ready Pty Ltd
Mr. Peter Adriance, NGO Environmental Liaison for the National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of the U.S.A.
Dr. Miriam Pepper, Secretary of the Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC)
Mr. Peter Boyer, Founder of Climate Tasmania and noted journalist

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