

ADAPTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE – Law & Policy Conference

19 & 20 June 2008

Law Theatre, ANU College of Law
Canberra

While mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions has dominated the debate over climate policy since global warming became an issue in Australia in the late 1980s, the second component of climate policy – adaptation – has largely been overlooked. Rising emissions and warming that is already in the system mean that major climate impacts are unavoidable and that adaptation is set to become a crucial area of legal and policy interest.

But how much adaptation is enough? Are current legal and policy frameworks capable of guiding Australia through the adaptation challenges that it could face in the 21st century? How will the law evolve in the face of global warming and will it act as a trigger for, or barrier to, change?

Adapting to Climate Change is the first Australian conference devoted solely to the legal and policy dimensions of adaptation. Its multidisciplinary program highlights the breadth and scale of predicted climate impacts across sectors and stakeholders. With a distinguished array of international and national speakers, the conference promises to be an essential event for all those involved or interested in climate policy and climate law.

Organised by ANU Centre for Climate Law & Policy and the Griffith University Socio-Legal Research Centre.

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Thursday 19 June 2008

Session 1	Opening address
9:30am	Professor Jan McDonald , Interim Director, National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility, Griffith University <i>The adaptation imperative</i>
10:30am	<i>Morning tea</i>
Session 2	Planning for climate impacts – challenges for urban planning
11:00am	Marcus Lane , Senior Principal Research Scientist and Head of the Natural Resources Planning Group, Resource Futures, CSIRO <i>Planning for climate change</i>
	Matthew Baird , Barrister <i>The emerging field of "adaptation litigation"</i>
12:30pm	<i>Lunch</i>
Session 3	Climate change impacts on the built environment and water security
1:30pm	Tom Davies , Sustainable Built Environment Team Leader, Branz Ltd <i>How should building design and regulations address climate impacts?</i>
	Associate Professor Poh-Ling Tan , Griffith University Law School <i>Water policy, planning and law in a changing climate</i>
3:00pm	<i>Afternoon tea</i>
Session 4	Ecology, Economics and Law
3:30pm	Jeff Smith , Director of the NSW Environmental Defender's Office <i>How adaptable are our conservation regimes?</i>
	Andrew Macintosh , Associate Director, ANU Centre for Climate Law and Policy <i>The Need for a Rights Agenda</i>
5:00pm	Close

Friday 20 June 2008

Session 1	Adaptation and the role of the judiciary
9:00am	Hon. Justice Brian J Preston , Chief Judge, NSW Land and Environment Court <i>A judicial perspective</i>
10:00am	<i>Morning tea</i>
Session 2	Environmental justice and liability for climate impacts
10:30am	Professor Dan Farber , Sho Sato Professor of Law and Director of the Environmental Law Program, University California, Berkeley <i>Adaptation and environmental justice</i>
	Bruce Cantrill , Special Counsel, NSW Crown Solicitor's Office <i>Negligence, breach of statutory duty and other tort risks</i>
12:15pm	<i>Lunch</i>
Session 3	Climate disasters and insurance
1:15pm	Sonia Powell , Sustainability Consultant, Insurance Australia Group <i>Management of climate risks by insurers</i>
	Professor Tim Bonyhady , Director of the ANU Centre for Climate Law and Policy <i>The law of disasters</i>
3:00pm	Close

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

To register, please complete the registration form and return with your payment by **12 June 2008** to:

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Registration forms can be downloaded from:
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GENERAL INFORMATION:

Conference Venue: Law Theatre, ANU College of Law, Fellows Road, The Australian National University, Canberra

Accommodation: Details on accommodation within walking distance of the National Museum are available on the Conference website: <http://law.anu.edu.au/cclp/events.asp>

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Registration form:

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Full Name:

Postal Address:

Daytime Contact Number: E-mail:

Special Dietary Requirements: **Lunch, morning and afternoon tea will be provided**

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Baker & McKenzie's Global Climate Change Practice

For more than a decade, Baker & McKenzie has been in the forefront in the development of global carbon markets and climate law and policy. With particular strength in the developing countries of Latin America and Asia as well as established markets in Europe and the US, we have represented, and continue to advise, the market makers on market-leading deals. Trusted for our expertise and valued for our experience, we regularly work on transactions with our clients that are first-to-market including being among the first to draft carbon contracts in addition to serving as lead counsel on the largest public and private carbon transactions the market has seen.

Beyond our work on major international carbon transactions and projects, our team has maintained a commitment to undertaking capacity building work in developing countries where we have advised on the development of climate law and policy to national governments and on behalf of international organisations. Through our pro-bono work with the United Nations, World Vision, WWF, the Climate Institute, the UK government led REEEP, the Climate Group, the Clinton Foundation, the Investor Group on Climate Change and the Renewable Energy and International Law Project we also continue to contribute to those community efforts working to combat climate change.

Our climate change team is recognised for its practice expertise, global capabilities, and for its depth in handling impressive deal volume. In fact, Baker & McKenzie is the only firm to have been repeatedly recognised as a legal leader in the carbon market by Environmental Finance magazine. In addition, Baker & McKenzie was also recently honoured by New Energy Finance at its annual New Energy Finance Awards as "Top Legal Advisor of CDM/JI Projects by Number of Deals 2007." Baker & McKenzie's climate change team has also been ranked first tier by Chambers Global.

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