

Conference

After Copenhagen: Finding Direction in Climate Law & Policy



On 9 August 2010, Professor Tim Bonyhady, Director, ANU Centre for Climate Law & Policy welcomed participants to a one-day conference at the ANU College of Law, organised by the ANU Centre for Climate Law and Policy and Baker & McKenzie, in conjunction with the ANU Climate Change Institute.

As suggested by its title, *After Copenhagen – Finding Direction in Climate Law & Policy*, the conference gave some of the world's leading climate experts an opportunity to provide updates on the state of climate science and policy since the Copenhagen Climate Conference in December 2009 and to hypothesise about its future direction.

Ambassador David Daly, Head of the EU Delegation to Australia commenced proceedings with his address titled *A European Perspective*. Professor Warwick McKibbin, Director Research School of Economics, ANU College of Business and Economics followed with a discussion on *Managing Abatement Costs in the Face of Uncertainty: Building a rational carbon pricing scheme*.



Ambassador David Daly



Professor Warwick McKibbin

In the next session, Dr Michael Raupach, Research Scientist, CSIRO Marine and Atmospheric Research considered *Separating fact from fiction: the state of climate science* and Mr Howard Bamsey, Deputy Secretary, Australian Department of Climate Change & Energy Efficiency delivered his talk on *Copenhagen to Cancun: Where are the international negotiations headed and is there a need for a new negotiating forum?*

Dr Frank Jotzo, Deputy Director, ANU Climate Change Institute & Fellow, ANU Crawford School of Economics and Government considered *Australia's Commitment – Where are we now? in the afternoon session*. Mr Martijn Wilder, Partner, Baker & McKenzie and Adjunct Professor, ANU College of Law followed with his discussion on *The Investment Dilemma: How is political uncertainty affecting investment in carbon mitigation and carbon markets?*

The conference concluded with an roundtable discussion on *Energy Efficiency*. Contributors included Ms Meg McDonald, CEO, Australian Carbon Trust Limited; Dr Richard Denniss, Executive Director, The Australia Institute and Mr John Connor, CEO, The Climate Institute.

For details about the speakers please see the *After Copenhagen* [program](#).