Strengthening the New Economy for the Common Good

New Economy Network Australia's Annual Conference
Friday 19th to Sunday 21st October, 2018 - Melbourne

Today's global economy is built on a growth-fuelled industrial and financial system with immense productive capacity, but its extractive logic has created extreme wealth inequality, social injustice, and ecological devastation on an unprecedented scale.

At the heart of the transition to a new economy lies the commons: the wealth we inherit and create together which includes the gifts of nature, civic infrastructure and knowledge in all its forms. Across Australia, people and communities are working to strengthen the commons through better food systems, co-operative enterprise and innovative legal models that protect the rights of nature and ensure a just transition for people and the planet now, and into the future.

NENA's second annual conference "Strengthening the New Economy for the Common Good", held in Melbourne, invites people to come together to share stories of success, address challenges and join the broader movement, to appreciate our shared purpose and create transformative approaches to a fairer and ecologically sustainable economy and society.

The 2018 New Economy Conference will:

- Bring together hundreds of people and organisations interested in moving beyond the current unsustainable and unjust economic system that currently dominates Australian society;
- Enable people to share, learn, listen, play, and work together to co-create a strong, vibrant economic system that's fair for all Australians and cares for our precious natural environment;
- Launch powerful new collective strategies for creating positive social and economic change, to achieve long term, liveable economies that fit within the productive capacity of a healthy environment.

REGISTRATION

https://www.trybooking.com/VWEB

KEY DATES

- Call for Conference Proposals opens 15 March and, closes on 1 June 2018
- Conference is hosted Friday 19th to Sunday 21st October
- Evening events will be held on Friday 19th and Saturday 20th October 2018
- Side events will be held in and around Melbourne on Monday 22nd October

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CALL FOR PROPOSALS—PROPOSAL THEMES

Proposals are invited that address ONE OR MORE of the core sectors of NENA's work, and/or key elements of how we build a new economy, as follows:

(i) The core sectors of NENA's work:

- Ecological economics, sustainability and the natural world
- Indigenous economics
- Fair food systems and regenerative agriculture
- Energy and waste management
- Transport
- Land and property systems, housing, ownership
- Social justice, economic democracy and collaborative governance
- Law, regulation and policy
- Money and finance
- Technology and platform co-operativism
- Work, employment and enterprise—including cooperatives

(ii) Key elements of *how* we build a new economy/strengthen the commons:

- Advocacy, organising and creating systems change to build the new economy
- Communications, media and journalism
- Power, gender, culture and value
- Just transitions and localisation
- Inner dimensions of building the new economy – including the role of mindfulness, spiritual practice and healthy cultures of collaboration.
- Government, industry and international partnerships

PARTICIPATION OPTIONS

- Academic papers – 15 min presentations
- Practitioner papers – 15 minute presentations
- Panel discussions and facilitated workshops – 20 to 50 minutes
- Problem solving clinics, training, professional development – up to 50 minutes
- New Economy Lab – propose an experiment to conduct with willing participants (e.g. it could be about currencies / sharing systems, etc.), before, during, or after the conference, and use a 50 min conference session to review it or start it
- New Economy Change Projects – 50 minute sessions for those who want to propose specific social change projects and who intend to continue these projects after the conference
- Discussion groups, arts projects, debates, working group meetings – 50 minutes
- Facilitated games—30-50 minutes

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL FOR PARTICIPATION

Please visit our website and submit your 200 word proposal and 100 word bio by 1st June

https://www.neweconomy.org.au/conferences/2018-conference/call-for-proposals/