

New Economy Network Australia Conference 19–21 October 2018



Strengthening the New Economy for the Common Good

The Purpose of the NENA 2018 Conference

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 third 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, businesses 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; and
- 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.

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NENA 2018 Conference Program

Day 1 Friday 19th October 2018

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| Venue | Church of All Nations, 180 Palmerston St, Carlton | | | |
| 9.00 – 11.00 am | FREE TOURS for registered conference attendees to Higher Ground Closed Loop Restaurant, Melbourne CBD (Enquiries to julia@sustinaustralia.org) | | | |
| 10.00 am | PLENARY SESSIONS | | | |
| | NENA STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP Facilitated by NENA Steering Group and Max Hardy. All NENA members and supporters encouraged to attend and provide your input to NENA's 12 month strategy. | | | |
| 12.00 pm | Lunch (not provided at conference, available at venues nearby) | | | |
| 12.45 pm | General Conference Arrival and Registration | | | |
| 1.00 pm | CONFERENCE OPEN & Welcome to Country | | | |
| 1.15 pm | KEYNOTE <i>First Nations Care and Management of the Commons:</i> Adjunct Associate Professor Mary Graham, University of Queensland and Kombumerri Person (20 minute talk + 10 minute Q&A) | | | |
| 1.45 pm | PANEL <i>Strengthening the commons:</i> Panel response - Nick Rose, Sustain: The Australian Food Network; Michelle Maloney AELA/NENA, and Darren Sharp, Social Surplus/Shareable | | | |
| 2.30 pm | Afternoon Tea (provided at conference) | | | |
| 3.00 pm – 4.20 pm | PARALLEL SESSION 1 (80 minutes) | | | |
| | Main Church Hall | Dyson Room | Sugdell Room | Breakout Room 4 |
| | 1.1 Worker and Household Cooperatives | 1.2 Inner Dimensions | 1.3 Workshops | 1.4 Workshops |
| | PRESENTATION <i>Worker Cooperatives in Australia; a structural analysis</i> Oliver Mispelhorn, University of Sydney (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Process thinking for a sustainable future</i> Juliet Bennett, University of Sydney (15 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Audience Segmentation: How to Effectively Communicate Your Initiative to Different Audiences</i> Sharon Ede, Audacities (40 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>New Economy Skills Lab</i> Rachael Kelly, FNQCES, Marina Bistrin, DVNS LETS, Marie-Luise W, MorelandLETS, Cherie Scott, MERLETS (40 minutes) |
| | PRESENTATION <i>The Household and Community Sustainability Co-operative</i> Scotty Foster, CoCanberra (15 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Transitioning from the Old to the New Economy: The Inner Dimension a missing piece of the puzzle</i> Patricia Morgan, UNSW (45 minutes) | PANEL <i>Systems change: what's needed next?</i> James Tonson, The Rescope Project (Facilitator); Amanda Cahill, The Next Economy; Sabrina Chakori, Brisbane Tool Library; Tim Hollo, The Green Institute; Angela Rutter, Common Cause Australia (40 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Creating Accountable Business Reporting Frameworks - Disrupting Business Norms through Artistic Intervention</i> Thomas Kern, Nick McGuigan, The Accountability Institute (40 minutes) |

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| | WORKSHOP <i>Redgum workers cooperative: starting and running a worker owned cooperative</i> Ella Ryan and others (50 minutes) | | | |
| 4.20-4.30 | Session break (room change) | | | |
| 4.30 – 5.00 pm | PARALLEL SESSION (30 minutes) | | | |
| | 2.1 <i>Food in the new economy</i> | 2.2 <i>Unions in the new economy</i> | 2.3 <i>Education in the new economy</i> | 2.4 <i>Renewable Energy</i> |
| | PRESENTATION <i>Community Food Initiatives, Ontario</i> Charles Levkoe, Lakehead University (15 minutes) | PANEL DISCUSSION Jim Stanford, Australia Institute Centre for Future Work (video); Lisa Darmanin, Australian Services Union; Carina Garland, Victorian Trades Hall Council; Damian Kyloh, Australian Council of Trade Unions, Facilitator – Anthony McMullen | PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION <i>Education in the new economy: problems and solutions</i> Phil Jones, CASSE NSW; Sidsel Grimsted, University of Newcastle; Alexander Horton, Econome | WORKSHOP <i>Pre power: Affordable renewable energy for all</i> Kevin Cox, White Label Personal Clouds (WLPC); Tom Nockolds, Pingala; Mike Dowson, Unity Sparks Pty Ltd |
| | PRESENTATION <i>Food Next Door project – Mildura</i> Deborah Bogenhuber, Sunraysia Local Food Future (15 minutes) | | | |
| 5.00 pm | Pitch for Open Space Sessions People are invited to give a 30-60 second pitch for sessions that will take place 4pm Saturday | | | |
| 5.20 pm | KEYNOTE <i>How to Grow Distributed Leadership</i> Alanna Irving, alanna.space (25 minute talk) | | | |
| 5.45 pm | Close of Day 1 | | | |
| 6.00 – 7.30 pm | Evening Drinks and light savouries Church of All Nations Non-ticketed Networking event: drinks available for purchase, snacks will be available | | | |

Day 2 Saturday 20th October 2018

Venue **Angliss Conference Centre, 555 La Trobe Street Melbourne**

8.45 am **Arrival and Registration**

9.00 – 9.15 am **PLENARY SESSION**

Welcome, Overview

9.15 – 9.45 am **KEYNOTE**

Post-Capitalism by Design not Disaster: Creating Common Wealth

Samuel Alexander, University of Melbourne

(30 minute talk)

9.45 – 10.30 am **PANEL DISCUSSION**

Post-Capitalism

Facilitated by Darren Sharp. Speakers: Tim Hollo, The Green Institute; Amanda Cahill, The Next Economy; Jose Ramos, Action Foresight; Stephen Healy, Western Sydney University

10.30 am **Morning Tea (provided at conference)**

PARALLEL SESSION (80 minutes)

| 11 am – 12.20 pm | Main Plenary Room | Theatre A534 | Flagstaff A | Flagstaff B |
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| | 3.1 <i>Food systems thought and practice</i> | 3.2 <i>Infrastructure, trade and banking (macro issues)</i> | 3.3 <i>Workshops</i> | 3.4 <i>Workshops</i> |
| | PRESENTATION <i>Community Supported Agriculture as a model for “Rethinking Food Systems”</i> Joel Orchard and Sally Ruljancich, CSA Network ANZ (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Talking Infrastructure – The Four Transitions</i> Penny Burns, Talking Infrastructure (15 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>A new economy menu into traditional politics</i> Sabrina Chakori, Brisbane Tool Library (40 minutes) | PANEL <i>Ecological Regulation: transitions, traps and trajectories</i> Fiona Haines, Christine Parker, Erin Fitz-Henry, Stephen Pollard and Rachel Carey, University of Melbourne (40 minutes) |
| | PRESENTATION <i>Retrosurbia</i> David Holmgren, Holmgren Design (15 minutes) | WORKSHOP/CLINIC <i>Resilience and Tax Reform</i> Karl Fitzgerald and Emily Sims, Prosper Australia (30 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Post capitalising post carbon – rhizome community organising</i> Karun Cowper, Friends of the Earth Australia (40 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Return to Glitnir: Community Justice without lawyers</i> Andrew Thelander (40 minutes) |
| | PRESENTATION <i>Price setters are price getters! Redefining agriculture</i> Helen Macgregor, Redefining Agriculture (15 minutes) | PANEL <i>Banking Reform and Money Creation</i> Barry Disch, Public Banking Institute; Robert Barwick, Citizens Electoral Council; and Steven Hail, Binzagr Institute for Sustainable Prosperity (35 minutes) | | |
| | PANEL DISCUSSION <i>All Food Systems</i> Session Speakers (35 minutes) | | | |

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| 12.30 pm | Lunch (provided at conference) | | | |
| 12.50 pm | BOOK LAUNCH (Main Plenary Room) <i>Reclaiming the Urban Commons</i> | | | |
| 1.30 pm | PARALLEL SESSION (50 minutes) | | | |
| | Main Plenary Room | Theatre A534 | Flagstaff A | Flagstaff B |
| | 4.1 <i>Radical Urban Future Visions</i> | 4.2 <i>Indigenous economics – Presentations and panel discussion</i> | 4.3 <i>The circular economy, waste avoidance and energy</i> | 4.4 <i>Workshops</i> |
| | PANEL David Holmgren, Holmgren Design; Samuel Alexander, University of Melbourne; Lauren Rickards, RMIT, Morgan Koegel (3000acres, Facilitator) (50 Minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Pay the Rent Initiative</i> Robbie Thorpe, Treaty Republic (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Waste, Recycling and the Circular Economy in Australia</i> Wynston Lee, University of Sydney (15 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Prosocial: A process for building collaboration and perspective taking</i> Paul Atkins, ACU (25 minutes) |
| | | PRESENTATION <i>The role of indigenous knowledge in the new economy & cross cultural dialoguing - Are we listening?</i> Eva Willmann de Donlea (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Activating Dormant Goods for Good in the Circular Economy</i> Yasmin Grigaliunas, World's Biggest Garage Sale (15 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Commonics: rewriting the economic code</i> Elsie L'Huillier, Commoners Coop (25 minutes) |
| | | PANEL DISCUSSION (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>The Tesla battery and our appetite for energy</i> Aleesha Rodriguez, QUT (15 minutes) | |
| 2.30 – 3.30 pm | PARALLEL SESSION (50 minutes) | | | |
| | 5.1 <i>Coffee and Technology</i> | 5.2 <i>Faith in the new economy</i> | 5.3 <i>Technological Sovereignty</i> | 5.4 <i>Culture in the New Economy</i> |
| | PANEL <i>Putting integrity back into speciality coffee and putting coffee on the blockchain</i> Nick Rose (Facilitator), Amelia Franklin, Bellingen; Anouk Pinchetti, Blockchain Centre; Joe Molloy, Rumble Coffee; Leon Kennedy, Proud Mary Coffee (50 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>The New Economy and the Message of Pope Francis</i> Phil Jones, SJ Around the Bay (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Free software for human rights, community empowerment and the commons</i> Koji Payne (25 minutes) | PANEL <i>Culture and the New Economy; mobilising the arts to lead change</i> Simon Kerr, Music for a Warming World; Tim Hollo, The Green Institute; Angharad Wynne-Jones, Arts Centre Melbourne; Bronwyn Johnson, CLIMARTE (50 minutes) |

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| | | WORKSHOP | | PRESENTATION |
| | | <i>Recovering an Old 'New Economy' Movement: Mobilising Churches for the New Economy</i> | | <i>Open source licenses and why they matter</i> |
| | | Jonathan Cornford, Manna Gum (35 minutes) | | Ben Minerds, Free Software Melbourne (25 minutes) |
| 3.30 pm | Afternoon Tea (provided at conference) | | | |
| 4.00 pm | OPEN SPACE SESSIONS (30 minutes – various rooms) Allocated in 5pm session on Friday | | | |
| | Main Plenary Room 2 sessions | Theatre A534 1 Session | Flagstaff A 1 Session | Flagstaff B 1 Session |
| 4.30 pm | KEYNOTE | | | |
| | <i>Agroecology and Food Sovereignty: Tools for de-commodifying our food system</i> | | | |
| | Eric Holt-Gimenez | | | |
| 5.00 pm | PANEL DISCUSSION | | | |
| | <i>Threats to the Commons and strategies for responding</i> | | | |
| | Facilitated by Nick Rose. | | | |
| | Speakers: <i>Food</i> – Jos Luis Vivero Pol; <i>Community Energy</i> – Jarra Hicks, Community Power Agency; <i>Beyond Zero Emissions</i> – Vanessa Petrie (CEO); <i>Cooperatives</i> – Joanne McNeill, Western Sydney University | | | |
| 5.30 pm | Close of Day 2 | | | |
| 5.45 – 6.45 pm | ARTS IMMERSION | | | |
| | <i>Becoming Ecological</i> | | | |
| | Facilitated by Aviva Reed | | | |
| | ALL WELCOME | | | |
| 7 pm – 10 pm | CONFERENCE DINNER | | | |
| | Higher Ground Restaurant, 650 Little Bourke Street, Melbourne. | | | |
| | To purchase conference dinner tickets, go to: Closing the Loop at Higher Ground https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?embed&eid=431634 | | | |

Day 3 Sunday 21st October 2018

VENUE Angliss Conference Centre, 555 La Trobe Street Melbourne

9.15 am **Welcome, overview of Day 3 (recap on Day 1 & 2)**

9.30 am **KEYNOTE PRESENTATION**

Doughnut economics and the ultimate end-game: building the new economy within ecological limits

Dr Michelle Maloney (AELA), Haydn Washington (CASSE NSW) and Jeremy Schroder, NENA East Gippsland

10.00 am **POEM**

Nilmini De Silva

10.05 am **Morning Tea** (provided at conference)

10.30 am **PARALLEL SESSION** (50 minutes)

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| 6.1 Sharing Cities | 6.2 Food systems and the commons | 6.3 Ecological futures | 6.4 Governance and advocacy in the new economy |
| PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION <i>Sharing Cities: Activating the Urban Commons</i> Darren Sharp, Social Surplus/Shareable (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Food as commons</i> Jose Luis Vivero Pol, World Food Programme (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Ecojustice in the new economy</i> Haydn Washington, CASSE NSW (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Lessons from the Norwegian Commons – the preservation and innovation of ancient rural community use-rights in Norway</i> Sidsel Grimsted, University of Newcastle (15 minutes) |
| PRESENTATION <i>Creating Sydney as a Sharing City: exploring actually existing communal sharing</i> Inka Santala & Pauline McGuirk, University of Wollongong (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Ori Coop</i> Carolyn Suggate (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Towards more than human cities</i> Marcus Foth, QUT (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Dynamic and Regenerative Governance for a New Economy</i> Sarah Houseman, La Trobe University (15 minutes) |
| PRESENTATION <i>bHive: a community-owned sharing economy platform for Bendigo</i> Ian McBurney, bHive Coop (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Re-inhabiting the Commons</i> Morag Gamble, Our permaculture life (15 mins) | PRESENTATION <i>Tourism, Anti-Tourism and Climate Change</i> Natasha Heenan, University of Sydney (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>A new way forward: citizen advocacy for a new economy</i> Matthew Washington, CASSE NSW (15 minutes) |

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| 11.30 am – 12.30 pm | PARALLEL SESSION (50 minutes) | | | |
| | Main Plenary Room | Theatre A534 | Flagstaff A | Flagstaff B |
| | 7.1 <i>Platform cooperativism: from vision to practicalities</i> | 7.2 <i>Work in the new economy</i> | 7.3 <i>Food Initiatives</i> | 7.4 <i>Presentation & Workshop</i> |
| | PANEL <i>Platform Cooperativism: from vision to practicalities</i> Bronwen Morgan, UNSW; Pauline McGuirk, University of Wollongong; Joanne McNeill, Western Sydney University (50 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Hierarchy, Belonging and the Future of Work</i> Rhys Jaconley, Flourishing on Purpose (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Urban edible landscapes on common land</i> Jorge Castellano, EdibleScapes (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Sydney Sharing Map</i> Patricia Morgan, Rebecca Moore, Inka Santala (15 minutes) |
| | | PRESENTATION <i>Labour Market Segmentation in the Australian Metropole: Productivism and the Age in Ruins</i> Llewellyn Williams-Brook, University of Sydney (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>The economics and lived experience of food insecurity</i> Sophie Jamieson & Jennifer Lacy-Nicols, Right to Food Coalition; and Jody Letts, Council of Homeless Persons (15 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Implementing a New Human Settlement Theory</i> Steven Liaros, PolisPlan; Nilmini De Silva, Polisplan; and Marcus Foth, QUT (35 minutes) |
| | | PRESENTATION <i>The New Economy via a Tasmanian NICE Job Guarantee Initiative</i> Robin Krabbe, Live Well Tasmania (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>The Role of Veganism in the New Economy</i> Scott Wallace, Griffith University (15 minutes) | |
| 12.30 pm | Lunch (provided at conference) | | | |
| 1.30 pm | PARALLEL SESSION (50 minutes) | | | |
| | Main Plenary Room | Theatre A534 | Flagstaff A | Flagstaff B |
| | 8.1 <i>Inter-cooperation for a solidarity economy</i> | 8.2 <i>Governance, leadership and law</i> | 8.3 <i>Learning into a new economy</i> | 8.4 <i>Land Trusts</i> |
| | PANEL Antony McMullen, Co-op Incubator; Katherine Cunningham, Earthworker Cooperative; Carolyn Suggate, Ori Coop; Dan Musil, Earthworker (50 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>How to Grow Leadership in Collaborative Organisations</i> Alanna Irving, alanna.space (30 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Learning into a new economy</i> Monique Potts, UTS (50 minutes) | WORKSHOP <i>Community Land Trusts – the housing model we need</i> Karl Fitzgerald, Prosper Australia (50 minutes) |

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| | PRESENTATION <i>The Ownership of Legal Persons</i> Duncan Wallace, Business Council of Co-operatives and Mutuals (15 minutes) | | | |
| 2.30 pm | PARALLEL SESSION (50 minutes) | | | |
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| | 9.1 <i>Post-capitalist diverse economies</i> | 9.2 <i>Cooperatives</i> | 9.3 <i>Stories and narrative</i> | 9.4 <i>Maker spaces, learning centres and libraries in the new economy</i> |
| | PANEL <i>Enacting and imagining post-capitalist futures using the diverse economies framework</i> Joanne McNeill, Stephen Healy, Katharine McKinnon, Dan Musil, Darren Sharp (50 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Co-ops in the New Economy</i> Andrew Ward, incubator.coop (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Creating new stories for the new economy</i> Jose Ramos, Action Foresight (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Creating a “library of things” as a place to share skills, stories and stuff</i> Michelle Fisher, Sharing Shed Melbourne (20 minutes) |
| | | PITCH EVENT <i>Cooperative pitch event</i> Andrew Ward, Rohan Clarke, Antony McMullen, others (35 Minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>How to tell your story and change the world</i> Irena Bee (15 minutes) | PRESENTATION <i>Co-designing a New Economy curriculum for secondary schools in Melbourne’s Inner North</i> Vivienne Sercombe, Youth Enterprise Hub (20 minutes) |
| | | | PRESENTATION <i>Radio NENA – Align in the Sound</i> Scotty Foster, Co-Canberra (15 minutes) | |
| 3.30 pm | Afternoon Tea (provided at conference) | | | |
| 4.00 pm | KEYNOTE <i>The future of the commons</i> John Thackara (20 minutes) recorded talk | | | |
| 4.20 pm | KEYNOTE <i>Australia’s invitation to the World Social Forum 2020</i> Jason Nardi (15 minutes via zoom) | | | |
| 4.35 pm | Wrap up of Conference and announcement of 2019 Conference NENA Steering Group and 2018 NENA Conference Organisers | | | |
| 5.00 pm | Close | | | |

Organising Committee



This event would not have been possible without the huge efforts of the organising team: Michelle Maloney, Co-Convenor of AELA; Darren Sharp of Social Surplus, Koji Payne, and Lauren Ash; together with Julia Laidlaw, Kate Sutton and Nick Rose of Sustain: The Australian Food Network



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