

# Going Local: Hope in a Time of Crisis

Ideas Festival, 20-22 March 2020  
Byron Bay, Northern New South Wales

## Overview

The goal of this 3-day ideas festival is to explore and explain how we can shift direction—from a single globalized market towards economies that support renewal, resilience and greater human and planetary wellbeing. This gathering will emphasize the systemic root cause of our many interconnected ecological, social and economic crises, and identify key strategic shifts towards economic localization that can solve them. From food, land, water and human settlements, to businesses, knowledge systems, innovation, production and consumption, this festival focuses on translating understanding into action.

Within this context, the 2020 Conference has three key themes:

- Understanding the dominant economic system and global market and its impact on democracy and local economies
- Showcasing and amplifying strategies for reclaiming local economies for the benefit of people and planet
- Stories of success - challenging corporate domination of national, regional and local economies

Confirmed speakers so far include: **David Suzuki, Charles Eisenstein, Helena Norberg-Hodge, Damon Gameau** (“2040”), **Erfan Daliri** (NewKind Festival), **Michelle Maloney** (NENA and AELA) and many more guest speakers currently being confirmed.

Proudly co-hosted by The Economics of Happiness, New Economy Network Australia (NENA) and the Australian Earth Laws Alliance. To become a sponsor or partner of the ‘Going Local’ ideas festival, please email: [events@neweconomy.org.au](mailto:events@neweconomy.org.au)



## Registration

REGISTER VIA EVENTBRITE

<https://going-local.eventbrite.com.au>

*Early bird until 10 January 2020*  
Standard: \$200 | Concession: \$140

Registration after 10 January 2020  
Standard: \$250 | Concession: \$180

### KEY DATES

28 August—Call for Proposals and Registration opens

1 November—Call for Proposals closes

25 November—Program available

20-22 March 2020—Ideas Festival

### MORE INFORMATION

#### Website:

[neweconomy.org.au/going-local](http://neweconomy.org.au/going-local)

#### Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2366494266900648/>

#### Email:

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## *Call for Proposals*

We invite all prospective participants to be creative with your proposals and we welcome academic papers, interactive workshops, discussion groups and experiential activities. Although we have invited some speakers in advance, the final program will depend upon what you submit.

Please use the online submission form on this webpage: <https://www.neweconomy.org.au/going-local>

### THEMES

All proposals should address one or more of the three themes of the ideas festival:

- Understanding the dominant economic system and global market and its impact on democracy and local economies
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### PARTICIPATION OPTIONS

The following types of participation will be considered:

- Presentation - 15 minutes
- Panel proposals - 3 or more speakers, 50 minutes
- Discussion groups - 50 minutes in total
- Short performances or interventions – 25 minutes
- Mini-workshops or facilitated practices – 25 minutes
- 'Side' events that could be run on the day/evening before or after the conference

### HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL FOR PARTICIPATION

Please visit our website—[www.neweconomy.org.au/going-local](http://www.neweconomy.org.au/going-local)

Fill out our online proposal form **by 1 November 2019**. We require a **150 word summary** of your proposal, including an explanation of how your proposal meets the themes of the event, plus a **50 word biography**.

For more information, email: [events@neweconomy.org.au](mailto:events@neweconomy.org.au)