

Program

8:00	Registration VENUE: 1870 Founders Hall Theatre, Mt. Helen campus, Federation University Australia	
8:45	Introduction and Welcome PROF. MARK SANDEMAN – Executive Dean, Faculty of Science & Technology, Federation University Australia	
8:50	PROF. TODD WALKER (Deputy VC Engagement) , Federation University Australia	
8:55	PROF. ANDREW SMITH (Deputy VC Academic) Federation University Australia Opening of ‘Biodiversity across the Borders’ conference	
9:00	Introduced by: PROF. FRANK STAGNITTI – (Deputy VC Research & Innovation) , Federation University Australia Keynote Address: ASSOC. PROF. IAN LUNT (CHARLES STURT UNIVERSITY) From science to inspiration: 10 tips to promote ecological literacy and successful conservation in our communities	
VENUE: Caro Main Hall Theatre CHAIR: KAREN DOUGLAS (Deputy Chancellor) Federation University Australia		
PLENARY SESSION		
9:35	DR. KELLY MILLER (DEAKIN UNIVERSITY) You think what? Building a better understanding of the human dimensions of biodiversity conservation	
9:55	DR. GRAEME NEWELL (ARTHUR RYLAH INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESEARCH) Victoria’s native vegetation: combining ecology and informatics for new insights	
10:20	ASSOC. PROF. SARAH BEKESSY (RMIT) Planning for biodiversity at the urban-rural fringe	
Morning tea 10:40 – 11:15 Venue: TBA		
SESSION 2		
	Restoration and Management	Fire and Wildlife Habitat
	VENUE: Caro Main Hall Theatre CHAIR: PROF. ANDREW BENNETT	VENUE: Studio Theatre CHAIR: ASSOC. PROF. ALAN YORK
11:20	DR. ROHAN CLARKE The benefits of revegetation for woodland birds in rural landscapes	BILLY GEARY Landscape properties mediate spatial predator-prey interactions in a fire-prone system
11:35	DR. ADAM BESTER Lessons from the Glenelg River restoration project	CAROLINA GALINDEZ-SILVA How do wallabies hop during fire?
11:50	ASSOC. PROF. S. K. FLORENTINE Assessment of past restoration efforts in rural landscapes: where to from here?	JULIAN BROWN Challenges for plants and their pollinators in fire-prone landscapes
12:05	DR. ANGIE HASLEM Landscape properties mediate the effect of severe drought on bird communities in rural landscapes	BLAKE ALLAN Using cost-effective technologies to improve our knowledge of animal habitat use
12:20	DR. KAY MORRIS Wetland connectivity and management.	PROF. DAVE WATSON Wildlife restoration: applying lessons learned from revegetation to safeguard native animal populations
LUNCH BREAK 12:35 – 1:30, Albert Coates Complex		

SESSION 3

	Climate, Land Conservation and Management	Biodiversity Management in Agricultural Landscapes
	VENUE: Caro Main Hall Theatre CHAIR: CRAIG WHITEFORD	VENUE: Studio Theatre CHAIR: DR. JOHN WRIGHT
1:45	PROF. ROGER JONES Rapid shifts in regional climate: shocks or opportunities?	DR. PETER SPOONER Biodiversity interactions in mallee almond crops
2:00	DR. JIM RADFORD Pulling the right lever at the right time: Bush Heritage's multi-faceted approach to conserve biodiversity in rural landscapes in southern Australia.	DR. NICK SCHULTZ Rethinking grazing as a landscape-scale process
2:15	DR. DOUG ROBINSON Trust for Nature's conservation vision for rural Victoria: a private-land lens.	DR. MICHELLE CASANOVA Management of wetlands for biodiversity in an agricultural landscape
2:30	BRONWYN HRADSKY Where does the fox go: GPS tracking predators across forest and farmland	DR. SIMON WATSON Conserving biodiversity in human landscapes - patterns in time and space
2:45	DR. MANU SAUNDERS Costs vs benefits of birds and insects in agricultural landscapes. Case Study: Victorian apple orchards	DANIEL FLAIM Post-cultivation recovery of a semi-arid Victorian grassland

Afternoon tea 3:00 – 3:30

Session 4

3:35	Panel Discussion: Biodiversity in rural landscapes: direction for the future VENUE: Caro Main Hall Theatre CHAIR: PROF. MIKE CLARKE <u>Panel Members:</u> PROF. ROGER JONES, ASSOC. PROF. SARAH BEKESSY; DR. KELLY MILLER; DR. ADAM BESTER; DR. KAY MORRIS & DR. DOUG ROBINSON
4:35	Closing Address: TIM BARLOW (Goulburn Broken Catchment Management Authority)