

The Forest Newsfeed:

COMMUNICATING FORESTRY IN THE CONNECTED AGE



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ANZIF 2019 RESOLUTIONS

Jim Carle, Convenor, Resolutions Group

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- **Forestry & Climate Change, Don Carson**
 - Urge the development of carbon forest sequestration policies based upon robust science
 - Urge the provision of more research into the value & development of permanent forests that will not be harvested
- **Sustainability & Public Policy, Tony Bartlett**
 - Recognise the importance of governments, forest industries & forestry professionals working actively with communities to broaden the scope of decision-making processes related to afforestation initiatives and forest management decisions.
 - Urge governments to enhance public-funded investments in stakeholder engagement, research & M&E to achieve more integrated, sustainable & resilient outcomes for rural & forested landscapes.
 - Continue to support ongoing initiatives to improve active engagement of indigenous people in forest management, recognizing that empowerment is inextricably linked with the issue of self-determination.

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- **Making a Better Future, Peter Weir**
 - Continue with & develop the communication & engagement between industry (both forest management & wood processors) & research providers
 - Encourage more joint research efforts in wood processing in areas of collective advantage
- **Communicating Impacts of Forestry, Euan Mason**
 - Request more research aimed at improving sustainability of harvesting operations & to see progress documented & made publicly available
 - Strongly recommend that political parties recognize the long-term nature of forests & work together to form stable & comprehensive forest policies
 - Endorse an independent review of the efficiency & organization of fire services in NZ's rural areas

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- **Fire Detection & Control, Murray Dudfield**
 - Encourage independent reviews of the operational performance against KPIs & suppression costs of bushfire management to guide improvement in fire management efficiencies & cost effectiveness
 - Encourage formal partnerships for on-going collaborative research into forest fire management
- **Community Values & Forestry, Rien Visser**
 - Increase our opportunities to learn about community based forestry from developing nation case studies & highlight the opportunity for young foresters (i.e. Future Foresters) to take & share their time & knowledge in developing nations.
 - Provide guidance as to how to best use our 'forestry voice' to inform society about forest management & practices

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- Impacts of Forests on Landscapes, Mark Bloomberg
 - Strongly recommend that policy makers, planners, managers & practitioners adopt capacities to enhance forest landscape resilience and reduce vulnerabilities to biotic, abiotic, governance, market & other risks
 - Encourage integrated, cross-sectoral, trans-disciplinary approaches to land-use policies, planning & management to develop resilient forest systems (biophysical, economic and social)
- Social Licences in NZ & Australia, Phil Taylor
 - Prepare guidelines to assist foresters to better understand community expectations of forestry & how to better engage with a broad range of stakeholders to build trust, respect, confidence & understanding
 - Encourage the various players in the forestry sector into more cohesive institutions, mechanisms & processes
 - Urge Government institutions to recognise & support more holistic views in the development of national forest policy that applies consistently across the landscape regardless of tenure or jurisdiction
 - Urge government to curtail import of illegal wood products into Australia & NZ

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- **Forest Policy & Society, Cressida Lehmann**
 - Support forestry institutions in preparatory work for forest policy that is long term, clear, consistent & cohesive with practical examples of achievable goals
 - Urge participation of key stakeholders in the Te Uru Rakau led preparatory process for a forest policy & strategy
 - Recommend Te Uru Rakau report on the State of New Zealand's Forests by analysing the data collected in the Land Use Carbon Analysis System as a National Forest Inventory
- **Growing Trees for People, Tim Wardlaw**
 - Work is required to develop methods to display and report information about our sector that makes it accessible, attractive and shareable with all types of readers

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- **Communication with Stakeholders, Oliver Hendrickson**
 - Prepare submissions regarding Council planning & wider RMA reform on fire risk management & raising awareness of fire risk
 - Recognize the important contribution of Future Foresters of NZ & Australia are making towards communicating forestry as a viable & exciting land-use & provide resources to allow them to function & grow
- **Social/Environmental Sustainability of Forestry, Kevin Peachey**
 - NZIF to provide input to the National Environmental Standards (NES) for Rural Land-use (Farming) in relation to erosion risk and forest plantations

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- Next Generation of Forestry Professionals, Bob Gordon
 - Strongly endorse & encourage an active education presence in secondary & primary schools, including the concept of Forest Schools & the Institutes commit to providing volunteer resources to support such a programme
 - Urge Universities & Governments to continue or re-establish such courses at Tertiary institutions as a broad tertiary education specialising in forest management is an important prerequisite for healthy & well managed forests
 - Encourage the maximum possible exposure, through demonstration forests & Arboreta & Arbor Day plantings amongst other means to introduce the public to well managed forests



ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- **Future Foresters of NZ & Australia, Leon Holt**
 - Strongly commit to engage & develop capacity-building of youth & young professionals
 - Support development of international or commonwealth networks to encourage collaboration & youth engagement in forestry, based on the future forester model
 - Call for industry to acknowledge the important role of youth in contributing to upcoming, complex socio-economic & environmental challenges faced by the forestry industry, presently & in the future
 - Maintain effective lines of communication, to share individual knowledge & experiences to strengthen the capabilities & capacity of Future Foresters in NZ & Australia
- **Women in Forestry, Julie Collins**
 - Support the focus on emerging leaders & providing the role models & encouragement for young Women in Forestry
 - Support the focus on people centred approaches & be prepared to listen & remember we are an integral part of forest ecology

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolutions to:

- Health, Safety & Impacts on Society, Peter Clarke

- Recognize that health & safety as well as the environment are both critically important
- Ask all members to show real commitment & implement practical steps to:
 - Reduce the exposure of our staff, contractors & workers to harm, both physical and psychological
 - Create a working the environment that acknowledges the holistic well-being of all workers & their families
- Reinforce the positive link between good health & safety outcomes & good financial & sector outcomes

- Creating a Better Forestry Future, Peter Hill

- Support industry & Te Uru Rakau to educate pastoral farmers about the profitability of trees in the ETS on parts of their farms
- Commit as Institutes to the development of an international network of professional forestry bodies & to encourage the participation of our Future Foresters in this wider international collaboration