

Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand

South East Queensland

Annual Report

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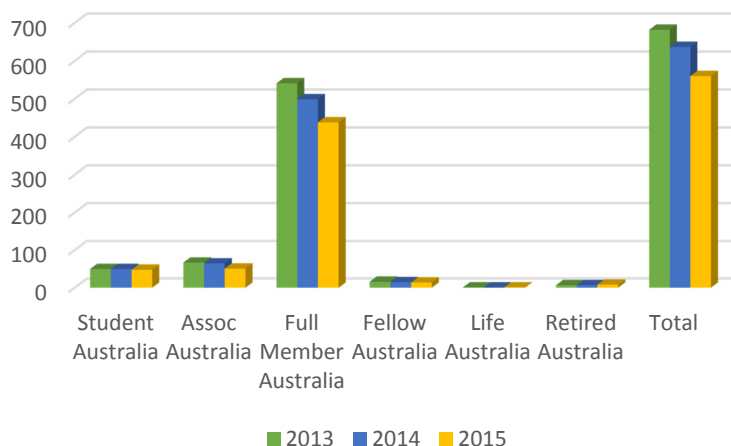
Key achievements

- Delivered an effective professional development program
- Maintained a presence with government policy making
- Continues to be the largest Division in Australia with 33.2% of the total membership.
- Ran a 2 day LEAP (Legislation, Environmental Approval and Policy) Summit in June.

Change in Membership

Changing economic conditions have impacted on the employment of environmental practitioners and this is reflected in them not renewing their EIANZ membership. This has resulted in a decrease of 12% during 14/15.

2013 - 2015 SEQ Membership Figures



Policy Contributions

The EIANZ SEQ Division has engaged in state environmental policy arenas.

Key policy matters addressed through formal submissions include:

- Enforceable undertakings under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 Guidelines
- Priority Port Development Area (PPDA) Planning Guideline
- Flora Survey Guidelines Protected Plants
- Code of Practice for the harvest and use of Protected Plants
- Reef 2050 Long Term Sustainability Plan (by EIANZ)
- Draft Waste Avoidance and Resource Productivity Strategy
- Draft Planning and Development Bill 2014

Student and Early Career Professionals Contributions

Some of the things we've done this year include:

- Quarterly catch ups for SECPs
- Speed Mentoring
- CV writing workshop
- Demystifying the Interview process
- Formal links with all Universities

Professional Development

Professional Development activities are a key feature of member services and professional development is an obligation under the EIANZ Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct and a requirement for members with CEnvP status.

Forum	Month	Type	Attendees	Members	Member %
Mitigation Mythbusters	July	Afternoon	59	28	47%
Expert Witness	July	Afternoon	31	8	26%
Regulatory Strategy	September	Afternoon	37	14	38%
Adapting to Change 1	October	Afternoon	33	14	42%
Cumulative Impacts	November	Full Day	34	14	41%
Embedding environment	December	Afternoon	27	14	52%
One Stop Shop Webinar	January	Webinar	88	58	66%
Environmental Policy Briefing	January	Evening	67	30	45%
Native Title	February	Breakfast	29	13	45%
Issues with EIA's	March	Breakfast	47	24	51%
Personal & Professional Sustainability	March	Evening	23	17	74%
Practice Ethics	May	Afternoon	15	10	67%
Lunch with Senator Larissa Waters	May	Luncheon	17	8	47%
Contaminated Land 1	May	Afternoon	47	23	49%
LEAP Summit	June	2 day	96	47	49%
Strategic Assessments	June	Webinar	64	44	69%
Total			714	366	51%

Community Support

The SEQ Division helped raise over \$6 700 for the Simon Hudson Fund.

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Future Directions

In 2016 the SEQ Division will continue with our strategic direction which includes:

- regularly engage with government and industry with the aim of establishing a two-way dialogue on good practice environmental management;
- engage members in developing discussion papers on adoption of standards, policies and practices of environmental management;
- organise and deliver a rolling program of professional development activities;
- examine the viability of current income streams and potentially viable alternative income streams in order to diversify the income base of the Division.