

Windfarm Ecology – local and global perspectives

Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand Inc.

When: Tuesday 7 May 2019

- Time: 5.30pm for 5.45pm start
- Where: Aurecon Centre, Level 5, 850 Collins St, Docklands Meet on Ground Floor
- Cost: EIANZ members: \$25 EIANZ student members: \$15 Non-members: \$40
- Contact: EIANZ on <u>office@eianz.org</u> or (03) 8593 4140

Drinks and nibbles provided

Venue host:

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While wind energy has emerged as a key element of a renewable energy future, wind farms can also have their own adverse environmental effects, including collision casualties of birds and bats.

STRIX (www.strix.pt) is a Portuguese based consultancy that has had success in a number of countries in reducing bird and bat deaths from windfarms through the use of radar-assisted turbine shutdown. The technology has also been used for monitoring and impact assessment. Can it work in Australia? This seminar will bring together experts from STRIX, DELWP and Biosis who are well placed to answer that question.

The seminar will also discuss other national and global developments in managing bird and bat strike from windfarms.

Speakers for the seminar are:

Ricardo Tomé – Scientific Director, STRIX Miguel Repas – CEO, STRIX Chad Browning – VRET Senior Biodiversity Officer, DELWP Ian Smales – Principal Zoologist, Biosis

MC for the seminar: **Elizabeth Stark** – Director, Symbolix and ElANZ Treasurer.