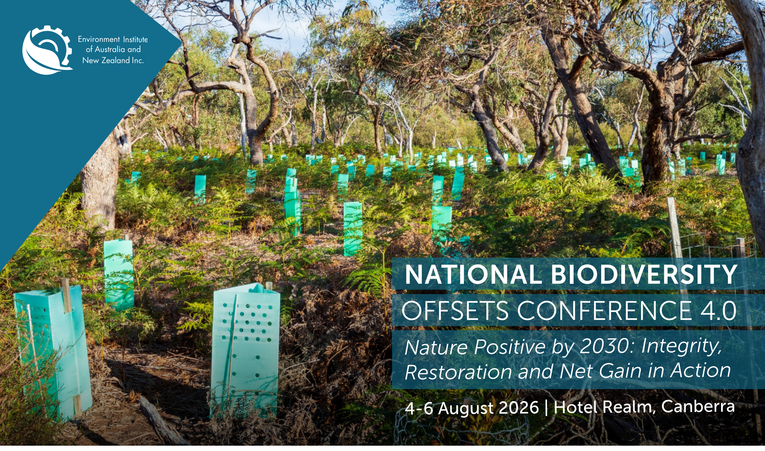


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NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY OFFSETS CONFERENCE 4.0

Nature Positive by 2030: Integrity, Restoration and Net Gain in Action

4-6 August 2026 | Hotel Realm, Canberra

WELCOME RECEPTION | MONDAY 3 AUGUST 2026

5.30pm -7.30pm	Ostani Bar and Restaurant, Hotel Realm

DAY ONE | TUESDAY 4 AUGUST 2026 | Setting the direction: Policy, Law and Beyond Compliance.

8:30am - 8:40am	**WELCOME TO COUNTRY** with Bradley Bell
8:40am - 8:45am	**WELCOME** and housekeeping | Dr Garry Middle - Chair, National Biodiversity Offsets Conference Technical Committee
8:45am - 9:15am	**Senator the Hon. Murray Watt** | Minister for the Environment and Water, Labor Senator for Queensland | Facilitated by Nick Thomas, Clayton Utz
9:15am - 10:20am	**OPENING PANEL | Nature Positive vs Net Gain - what are we trying to achieve?** | Facilitated by Jeremy Simmonds, Biodiversity Advisory Professor Martine Maron, UQ | Dr Megan Evans,UNSW | Stuart Anstee, Nature Positive Landscape Initiative | Jarrod Pitson, Fortescue
10:20am - 10:25am	Dr Mark Breitfuss | EIANZ Board Secretary
10:25am - 11:00am	**MORNING TEA**
11:00am - 12:30pm	**PANEL SESSION | Examining the EPBC Act reform, draft offsets standards, compliance and integrity mechanisms and the role of the National EPA |** Facilitated by Mark Beaufoy, Mallesons John Bradley, National EPA | Nick Thomas, Clayton Utz | Professor Justine Bell-James, UQ | Lee McIntosh, Francis Burt Chambers | Sarah Brugler, Monash Uni
12:30pm - 1:30pm	**LUNCH**
1:30pm - 3:05pm	**PLENARY SESSION | Achieving nature positive – the role of the law, business and policy** | Facilitated by Anneke Monte, Umwelt Anthony Lean, NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Lucy Shea, Clayton Utz Professor Brendan Wintle, University of Melbourne Carl Binning, Clean Energy Regulator
3:05pm - 3:35pm	**AFTERNOON TEA**
3:35pm - 4:30pm	**PANEL SESSION | The future of offset delivery for business - what does industry need to deliver infrastructure?** | Facilitated by Radika Michniewicz, Niche Nicole Conroy, Infrastructure NT | Gigi Yuen, Melbourne Airport | Dave Fleming, Inland Rail | Daniel Whaite, Transgrid
4:40pm - 7:00pm	**POSTER SESSION & NETWORKING EVENT**

Amy Basnett, Eco Markets Australia	Justin Williams and Natasha Crook, NSW DCCEEW
Daniel Light and Joanne Davis, Umwelt Social and Environmental Consultants	Jonathan Rhodes, Queensland University of Technology
Dr Ben Allen, Ecosure	Dr Kimberley Swords, Natural Resource Management Regions Queensland
EIANZ Biodiversity Offsets Community of Practice, EIANZ	Mitt Ramgobin and Greg Woodman, Umwelt Social and Environmental Consultants
	Laura Chen, Biodiversity Investment and Natural Capital Governance
Dr Cario Forrest and Yogesh Nair, Niche	Lee McIntosh, Francis Burt Chambers
Carly Malfroy, Kai-Lin Sze and Jessica Wehbe, NSW DCCEEW	Dr Marc Freestone, The Biodiversity Consultancy
Paul Hajjar, Aurecon	Shelley Nailon, E2M Pty Ltd
David Bennett, Abzeco	Rochelle Lawson, Central Coast Council
David Brennan, EMM Consulting	Steve McCutcheon and Siobhan Toohill, DCCEEW
Eoin Noble, SLR Consulting	Chris Wilson, The Landbanking Group
Rob Martyn and Jacqui Castor, Koala Farmland Fund	Dr Tom Wright, Kellogg Brown and Root
James Kirk, Niche	Yi Fei Chung, University of Queensland
Jared Reid, 2Rog Consulting	Lydia Christian, University of Michigan
Jennifer Powell, Niche	

DAY TWO | WEDNESDAY 5 AUGUST 2026 | From policy to practice: design, delivery and implementation

7:30am - 7:40am	**WELCOME | Recap of Day 1**
7:40am - 9:00am	**BREAKFAST SESSION | NSW Biodiversity Offsets Scheme** | Facilitated by Louisa Mamouney, NSW DCCEEW John Seidel and Thomas Munro, NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Victoria Nolan and Kelly Carbery, NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Michelle Cox, NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water Samuel Luccitti, NSW Biodiversity Conservation Trust
9:00am - 9:10am	**COFFEE BREAK**
9:10am - 10:00am	**KEYNOTE SPEAKER |** Associate Professor Joe Bull - Oxford University (virtual) | We need (some) nature offsets Facilitated by Jeremy Simmonds, Biodiversity Advisory
10:00am - 10:50am	**PLENARY SESSION | Delivery of Offsets in Practice: planning and implementing offsets that deliver genuine conservation outcomes |** Facilitated by Ian Rollins, Niche Dr Judy Dunlop, Curtin University Adrian Ward, CEO Accounting for Nature
10:50am - 11:15am	**MORNING TEA**
11:15am - 12:35pm	**PLENARY SESSION | Net gain, nature positive, nature markets and mechanisms** | Facilitated by Rob Martyn, Koala Farmland Fund Harriet Thomlinson, Arup Carolyn Cameron, Cameron Strategies Thomas Wright, KBR and Mat Peel, VMFRP Dr Marc Freestone, The Biodiversity Consultancy
12:35pm - 1:05pm	**PANEL SESSION | The Nature Repair Market: intent, purpose and outcomes** | Facilitated by Nick Thomas, Clayton Utz Alison McMorrow, DCCEEW | Dr Megan Evans, UNSW | Raf Wood, Silva Capital | Cuong Tran, Covalent Land Australia | Tyronne Garstone, Kimberly Land Council
1:05pm - 2:00pm	**LUNCH**

2:00pm - 3:20pm	**CONCURRENT SESSION | Facilitated by Warren McGrath, Beca** **Offset Design and Assessment**	**CONCURRENT SESSION | Facilitated by Kate Callister, Nature Advisory** **Policy regulation and governance**
	Jeremy Simmonds | Biodiversity Advisory	James Fitzsimons | The Nature Conservancy
	Anneke Monte | Umwelt Environmental and Social Consultants	Tim Kirby and Maylynn Nunn | NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure
	Jane Gordon | Xodus Group Pty Ltd	Carmen Bradfield | Norton Rose Fulbright
	Emily Hatfield, FYFE Pty Ltd and Joel Hodge, SEQ Water	Hannah Thomas | Griffith University

3:20pm - 3:45pm	**AFTERNOON TEA**
3:45pm -5:15pm	**PLENARY SESSION |** Facilitated by Rhidian Harrington, H2F Teagan Johnston, Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions and Kirsten Marmion, Rio Tinto | Beyond Offsets: Enduring Partnerships Connecting Conservation, Culture and Industry in the Pilbara, Western Australia Dr. Claire Doll, University of Western Australia | What does success look like - 'best practices' for offset system design and implementation? Steve Lynch and Karen Tymms, Trust for Nature | Offsets that work: monitoring and compliance
5:15pm - 5:20pm	**DAY 2 CLOSE**
7:00pm - 10:00pm	**CONFERENCE DINNER |** Guest speaker: Dr Anika Molesworth

DAY THREE | THURSDAY 6 AUGUST 2026 | Evidence, outcomes and integrity

8:45am - 9:45am	**KEYNOTE SPEAKER |** Professor Martine Maron - University of Queensland | Fund fundamentals: risks and realities of offset delivery through centrally-managed funds | Facilitated by Garry Middle, VisionEnvironment
9:45am - 10:30am	**PANEL SESSION | Offsets Funds** | Facilitated by Alicia Michael, Rio Tinto Jessica Richings, Pilbara Environment Offsets Fund | Mick O'Flynn, NSW Biodiversity Conversation Trust | Zita Fewster, SA Dept of Environment and Water | Shane Gaddes, DCCEEW
10:30am – 11:00am	**MORNING TEA**

11:00am – 12:20pm	**CONCURRENT SESSION | Facilitated by Chris Armstrong, Nature Advisory** **Offset Delivery and implementation**	**CONCURRENT SESSION | Facilitated by Warren McGrath, Beca** **Offsets that work: evidence outcomes and integrity**
	Kim Cornford | Cassinia Environmental	Jessica Henderson-Wilson and Rachel Musgrave | Umwelt Environmental and Social Consultants
	Michael Goddard | Biosis Pty Ltd	Martin Sullivan | Scout Ecology Pty Ltd
	Berlinda Ezzy | EMM Consulting Pty Ltd	May-Le Ng | Eco Logical Australia Pty Ltd
	Amelia Elgar and Stephen Upkett | CQG Beca and Tunuba Rangers	Tim Shields and Maxine Little | Ausecology

12:20pm - 1:15pm	**LUNCH**
1:15pm – 2:00pm	**PANEL SESSION | The future of biodiversity offsets in Australia: policy, market evolution, First Nations and next steps** | Facilitated by David Francis, Francisii Ecology Meredith Henderson, EcoLogical Aust | Alicia Michael, Rio Tinto | Amanda Griffith, Niche | Natasha Elwell, Clean Energy Regulator | Blaine Wentworth, DCCEEW
2:00pm - 2:50pm	**WORKSHOP | Should offsets be synonymous with Nature Positive?** Facilitated by Garry Middle, Conference technical committee chair
2:50pm - 3:10pm	**AFTERNOON TEA**
3:10pm - 4:50pm	**WORKSHOP** Nature Repair Market Methods hosted by the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
4:50pm - 5:00pm	**CLOSING COMMENTS**

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