

Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand Inc.

# Environmental Sustainability Site Visit to Melbourne Zoo

A rare chance to discover a difference side of the zoo

When: Thursday, 15 August 2019

**Time:** Arrival time: 2:45pm

Event time: 3:00pm - 4:30pm (Q & A session

afterwards, zoo closed at 5:00pm)

**Where:** Melbourne Zoo Rail Gate Entrance (North

gate, close to Royal Park Station and tram

stop)

**Cost:** Free - EIANZ student member

\$10 - EIANZ members: \$25 - non-members:

Places available 45

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#### **About**

Melbourne Zoo has achieved a lot in environmental sustainability in the aspect of water, waste and energy. Their achievement includes winner of the Melbourne Awards environmental sustainability category in 2016, Award for Excellence for the 2008 Savewater Awards, the world first zoo to be awarded carbon neutral certification under Australian Government's National Carbon Offset Standard (NCOS).

IEIANZ in collaboration with Melbourne Zoo aims explore environmental sustainability in Melbourne Zoo. It will provide an opportunity to learn about their sustainable goals, what sustainable measures the zoo use, how they implemented it and how they have progressed against their measures.

### **Event Information**

It will be a 1.5-hour tour led by sustainability specialists from the zoo. The tour will cover sustainability in water, waste and energy and the achievements of the zoo:

- Water: stormwater harvesting, on-site water treatment plant, sludge management, smart irrigation management, sustainable horticulture;
- Waste: an in-vessel composter called Hot Rot;
- Energy: energy monitoring system
- Public interaction and sustainability policy

#### Key speakers:

- Thomas Meek (Sustainability Manager)
- Ben Zarb (Water Technician)
- Giuseppe Greco (Irrigation Specialist)

PPE requirements - Closed-toe shoes, water, cap and sunglasses.