



EMPA AUSTRALIA 2024

Australia's disaster and emergency communications conference

Day 1 - WEDNESDAY 5 JUNE 2024

08:00 - 16:30	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN
09:00 - 09:10	Welcome to Country
09:10 - 09:50	KEYNOTE: Joe Buffone , Deputy Coordinator-General, National Emergency Management Agency
09:50 - 10:30	KEYNOTE: Dr Jeannette Sutton , Disaster and risk communication expert Writing better, more effective warnings
10:30 - 11:00	MORNING TEA
11:00 - 12:00	PANEL DISCUSSION: First Nation learnings from the 2023 Canadian wildfires Peter Brick and Tim Gazzard , Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action Ellisa Bourne , Country Fire Authority Jessica Mack , British Columbia Wildfire Service
12:00 - 13:00	LUNCH
13:00 - 13:45	PANEL DISCUSSION: Culturally appropriate communications TBC
13:45 - 14:30	Fitzroy Crossing flood 2023 - recovery Deputy Commissioner Melissa Pexton , Department of Fire and Emergency Services, WA
14:30 - 15:00	AFTERNOON TEA
15:00 - 15:35	HowWeSurvive Prof. David Sanderson Leveraging systematic change in how community centred recovery is understood and enacted
15:35 - 16:00	From research to practice - developing a child-centred approach to bushfire education Dr Briony Towers , Leadrrr/NHRA and Neil Munro , Country Fire Authority With quality bushfire education, children can make valuable contributions to risk management at home, school and in the community
16:00	Close
19:00 - 22:00	CONFERENCE DINNER - QT CANBERRA

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Day 2 - THURSDAY 6 JUNE 2024

08:00 - 16:30	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN
09:00 - 09:35	KEYNOTE: Beyond Climate Grief Dr Jonica Newby Addressing anxiety caused by climate change and coping with the reality of large climate events
09:35 - 10:05	Predictions in public Erica Kuligowski , RMIT and Paula Dootson , QUT/NHRA Research to develop best-practice guidelines for bushfire maps that meet the needs of fire agencies as well as people facing a bushfire
10:05 - 10:15	Awards for Excellence in Emergency Communications 2024 Showcase - Readiness and Resilience Category and Recovery Category
10:15 - 10:45	MORNING TEA
10:45 - 11:25	PANEL: Surviving or thriving? Primary carers juggling multiple roles Lucy Bell , Emergency Management Victoria Brad Irvin , Victoria State Emergency Service Claire Kinnear , Triple Zero Victoria
11:25 - 12:00	Crisis communications for cyber-incidents TBC
12:00 - 12:20	Awards for Excellence in Emergency Communications 2024 Showcase - Media Category and Response Category
12:20 - 13:20	LUNCH
13:20 - 13:40	Awards for Excellence in Emergency Communications 2024 Showcase - Research Category and Community Engagement Category
13:40 - 14:15	Australian Warning System - Community education and engagement Lucy Bell , EMV, Deana Pullella , DFES, Jeannette Sutton , Erica Kuligowski , RMIT
14:15 - 14:50	The future of telephony-based warnings Paul Terawsky , National Emergency Management Agency
14:50 - 15:20	AFTERNOON TEA
15:20- 15:55	MEDIA PANEL TBC
15:55 - 16:05	Closing address Phil Campbell , Conference Chair
16:05	Close

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Day 3 - FRIDAY 7 JUNE 2024

08:30 - 12:30	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN
09:00 - 10:30	<p>MASTERCLASS: Social Capital and Social Infrastructure in Action: <i>How libraries and pubs can help us better connect and communicate</i> Professor Daniel Aldrich, streaming live from Boston USA Renaë Hanvin, Resilient Ready and Jo Garnett, SAFECOM live at QT Canberra</p> <p>Social capital and social infrastructure are fundamental to building national resilience. But what do they really mean and look like in practice and policy when it comes to disaster-related communications and stakeholder engagement?</p> <p>Join global social capital expert Professor Daniel Aldrich, Resilient Ready CEO + Founder Renaë Hanvin and SAFECOM's Program Manager of Disaster Resilience & Risk Reduction Johanna Garnett for a 3-hour interactive masterclass.</p> <p>These industry experts share findings from the South Australian Social Capital + Social Infrastructure Snapshot project including a collective view from government and non-government stakeholders.</p> <p>Showcasing practical examples from South Australia, this masterclass will put a spotlight on the many and varied benefits to come from measuring and investing in people connections and the places where people connect.</p> <p>It will inspire the audience to think differently about how community organisations such as libraries and museums and local small businesses including "the pub" or regional caravan parks can fill the gap in community-led resilience, trust building, collaboration and equity.</p>
10:30 - 11:00	MORNING TEA
11:00 - 12:00	Masterclass continued.

12:00 Close

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