

NSW Branch Early Career Researcher Panel Discussion and Dinner

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Michael Harris, Manager (Economics Team), NSW DPE
Garry Goucher, Principal Consultant, Garry Goucher & Associates
Emily Ray, Environmental Market Leader (Sydney), GHD

We're calling on all early career researchers (ECRs: including currently enrolled research students and researchers who are at the early stage of their careers) to join us for an online panel discussion on how ECRs in agricultural, environmental, food, and resource economics and agribusiness can progress their careers in different sectors. We have invited four panellists who are working in academia (Tiho Ancev), government (Michael Harris), non-governmental organization (Garry Goucher) and private consultancy sector (Emily Ray) to share their career experience and answer questions from ECRs.

The event has a complementary in-person dinner in Sydney, which is kindly funded by RAID (Researchers in Agriculture for International Development). The dinner provides an excellent opportunity for ECRs to connect with their peers and continue the conversation with our panellists!

Tiho Ancev is an associate professor at the school of economics, the University of Sydney; editor-in-chief at The Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics (AJARE). His main research areas are environmental, natural resource and agricultural economics. Tiho's contributions have been in water economics and policy, and economics of air pollution and climate change policies. He has published widely on these topics (Journal of Regulatory Economics, Ecological Economics, Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy, Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Water Resources Management). Tiho has also led and contributed to several national and international projects in these research areas.

Michael Harris is the manager of the economics team at the Centre for Advanced Analytics and Economics, Department of Planning and Environment. He previously worked as a Senior Fellow for the School of Economics at the University of Sydney and as the Chief Economist of the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences in the commonwealth Department of Agriculture. He researched and consulted in a variety of areas including natural resource accounting, sustainability measurement, soil carbon sequestration, agricultural R&D, water management, and the economic analysis of ecological resilience. He has consulted for a number of government agencies and industry organisations.

Garry Goucher is the principal consultant of Garry Goucher & Associates, with 30 years' experience in corporate strategy, economic analysis and government policy with a strong emphasis on the agribusiness sector. Garry previously worked as Chief Manager, Westpac Agribusiness; CEO, Graintrust Pty Ltd; Chief Economist at the National Farmers Federation and Regional Economist, Victorian Department of Agriculture.

Emily Ray is an agricultural economist with 16 years' experience in quantitative and qualitative analysis; project and program reviews; and stakeholder consultation. She has

strong interpersonal skills and a passion for working with rural stakeholders. Emily commenced her career as a graduate economist at agricultural consulting firm Hassall & Associates, before joining multi-disciplinary consulting firm GHD where she has worked for the majority of her career. During this time she has held numerous roles including project manager, project director, and Manager Natural Resources & Agriculture. Emily is currently GHD's Environment Market Leader for its Sydney operations where she works across the natural resources, agriculture, waste management, contaminated land, engagement and environmental approvals teams.

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Online panel discussion: 4:30-5:30 pm

Dinner in Sydney: 7:00pm; CBD Sydney, we will inform you the specific location upon RSVP

This is a free event and non-members are encouraged to attend.

Please **RSVP for dinner by Tuesday 31 May** by emailing AARES.nsw@gmail.com

Please note that dinner is subject to both a minimum and a maximum number of attendees, so please register early.

To register for the online panel please use the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkcOmtjpjHtfx2FJCQEqF03y4CF7z20CR>