

Mentors



Prof Kevin Boyle is Head of the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics at Virginia Tech. His research investigates the validity of non-market valuation methods, including stated preferences, revealed preferences, and benefits transfers. Applications include the interface of environmental quality and human health, health of aquatic ecosystems, and land-use policy.



Prof Jim Wilen is Director of the Centre for Natural Resource Policy Analysis at UC Davis. His research focuses on the impact of policy options on economic and ecological health of fisheries. Some recent research addresses micro behaviour under open access exploitation, property rights solutions to fisheries management, analysis of marine reserves, fisheries bycatch problems, and spatial models of resource use.



Prof Caroline Saunders is Director of the Agribusiness and Economics Research Unit (AERU) at Lincoln University. Her current research includes evaluating trade and the environment including assessment of international markets policies and their impact on development and developing and using the Lincoln Trade and Environment Model.



Prof David Pannell is Director of the Centre for Environmental Economics and Policy, UWA and a Federation Fellow of the ARC. His research includes the economics of land and water conservation; environmental policy; farmer adoption of land conservation practices; risk management; policy evaluation; and economics of farming systems.



Prof John Rolfe is a resource economist. He has been Co-interim Director of the Institute for Sustainable Regional Development. John has a background in agriculture and, with his wife, owns and operates a cattle property in the Central Highlands Region.



Prof Kevin Parton is a Strategic Professor in the Institute for Land, Water and Society at CSU. His research interests include risk management, decision analysis, research management, economic evaluation, climate and the economic value of forecasting, strategic management and leadership.

Location

Centre for Professional Development
Charles Sturt University, Bathurst, NSW

csu.edu.au/enterprise/events

Accommodation

Campus accommodation is available at the Centre for Professional Development (ph: 02 6338 6900).

Off-campus alternatives can be found at the following website: bathurst-region.visitnsw.com.au

Registration

To register go to : www.ecrew.org.au

Abstracts due by 25th September 2009

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E-CReW 2009

Environmental and Resource Economics
Early-Career Researcher Workshop

3-4 November 2009

**Charles Sturt University,
Bathurst, NSW**



Background

E-CReW aims to provide a forum for early career researchers to get feedback on their research in a supportive and non-threatening environment, interact with and receive advice from more experienced academics, and to meet other researchers at a similar stage in their research careers. It also provides a forum for employers to meet new graduates and those who are soon to complete their degrees, and for research agencies to discuss current research needs.

This is the third E-CReW event. The first was held in 2005, and the second in 2007. Both were attended by 70 people from 7 countries, with the majority of those attending from Australia or New Zealand. Participants made many new contacts, gained insight into the latest research being conducted in Australia, and received extensive feedback on their research.

E-CReW 2009 will be attended by Prof Kevin Boyle, who is one of the USA's most respected environmental and resource economists and is currently head of the Department of Agriculture and Applied Economics at Virginia Tech. It will also be attended by Prof Jim Wilen (University of California – Davis), and Prof Caroline Saunders (Lincoln University) who are international experts in natural resource economics and sustainable economic development respectively. Other mentors attending include Prof David Pannell (University of Western Australia), Prof Kevin Parton (CSU) and Prof John Rolfe (CQU).

E-CReW 2009 is hosted by the Institute for Land, Water and Society at Charles Sturt University. The management team for the workshop comprises Prof Mark Morrison, Prof Kevin Parton, Dr Rod Duncan and Prof John Mullen (Charles Sturt University), Dr Steve Hatfield-Dodds (Dept of Climate Change), Dr Darla Hatton MacDonald (CSIRO) and Prof David Godden (NSW DECCW).

Workshop description

The workshop will be held over two days and will involve participants giving a presentation on their research and receiving feedback from a number of mentors with a strong reputation and experience in environmental and resource economics.

We do not expect all participants to present a completed paper. Work-in-progress or project ideas can be presented in a well organised 20-minute presentation.

The workshop will also provide all attendees with insights into the latest research being conducted in environmental and resource economics.

Anyone not intending to make a presentation is still welcome to attend.

Who it is for?

The primary focus of the workshop is doctoral and masters students, post-docs, and early career researchers (with or without PhDs) from universities, government agencies and private institutes involved in environmental and resource economic research. Others who are interested are also welcome to attend if numbers permit.

Information for Presenters

Those who would like to present their work should submit an abstract and/or manuscript on the E-CReW website (www.ecrew.org.au) **by the 25 September 2009.**

We hope to accommodate as many presenters as possible but, due to limited workshop time, not all candidates may be given the opportunity to present. Notification will be provided to candidates **by the 3 October 2009.**

Program

Presentations will be made on the following topics:

- Developing as an Early Career Researcher
- Conducting research that influences government policy

Other topics by mentors and speakers will be confirmed; check the ecrew.org.au website for updates.

Registration and Scholarships

The cost of the two day workshop, which includes all meals, is \$150 (Meals provided include morning and afternoon teas and lunch for two days, plus a conference dinner). Full and partial scholarships to cover the costs of registration are available for up to 40 full-time students from Australia or New Zealand. It is not necessary to give a presentation to qualify for a scholarship. To receive a scholarship and be eligible to attend, all interested participants need to register for the workshop.

Some funds are also available to assist with travel and accommodation costs, particularly for participants with high travel costs. Most attendees will be expected to cover their own accommodation and transport, or arrange support from other sources. ***If cost is an issue, please contact us regarding support for travel and accommodation.***

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