

DAY ONE	DAY TWO
<b>Registration (from 8:00am)</b>	
<p><b>WELCOME SESSION (8:30 – 9:30am)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Introduction by EIANZ &amp; ECA</li> <li>Welcome to Country</li> <li><i>Keynote Speaker – Adventures with surveys of Western Australia’s native vegetation for EIA</i> (Malcolm Trudgen, Consultant Botanist)</li> </ul>	<p><b>WELCOME SESSION (8:30-9:00am) <i>Session Chair Belinda Bastow</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recap of Day 1</li> <li>Plans for the Small group discussion</li> </ul>
<p><b>SESSION 1 – Regulator Expectations (9:30 – 10:30am) – <i>Session Chair Jason Hick</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Flora and vegetation surveys in EIA – a whole of government approach (Leanne Thompson - DWER)</a></li> <li>DMA Q&amp;A: DWER (<i>EP Act 1986</i> Part IV and V administrative processes), DMIRS, DOEE</li> </ul>	<p><b>SESSION 1 – Purpose and design of surveys (9:00-10:30am) <i>Session Chair Sarah Luxton</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Towards meaningful significance assessments in EIA.</a> (Kelli McCreery Consultant Botanist)</li> <li><a href="#">The shady side of EIA: some personal experiences from NSW.</a> (Dr. John Hunter, Adjunct Associate Professor University of New England, Director Hewlett Hunter Pty Ltd and Envirofactor Pty Ltd)</li> <li><a href="#">An end user’s perspective on vegetation surveys</a> (Mat Brook, Technical Director, Environmental Assessment and Approvals, GHD)</li> </ul>
<b>Morning Tea (10:30 – 11:00am)</b>	
<p><b>SESSION 2 – Community Expectations (11:00-12:30pm) – <i>Session Chair Sarah Robinson</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Community led Understanding of Flora and Vegetation Survey</a> (Bronwen Keighery – Chair Wildflower Society Plant Survey Committee)</li> <li><a href="#">Western Australia’s Conservation and Parks Commission - protecting what we value.</a> (Professor Chris Doepel, PSM - Deputy Chair)</li> <li><a href="#">Environmental law, impact assessment and the role of environmental consultants</a> (Declan Doherty - Principal Solicitor, Environmental Defenders Office of WA)</li> </ul>	<p><b>SESSION 2 – Taxonomy and Classification of Flora (11:00-12:30pm) <i>Session Chair Sarah Robinson</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Taxonomy, the Western Australian Herbarium, and EIA: current linkages, works in progress, and future opportunities</a> (Dr. Kevin Thiele – Eubio Consulting &amp; Australian Academy of Science)</li> <li><a href="#">A part time taxonomists view of knowledge of the flora of W.A. and how that affects EIA</a> (Malcolm Trudgen - Consultant Botanist)</li> <li><a href="#">An Age of Discovery</a> (Geoff Cockerton - Consultant Botanist)</li> </ul>
<b>Lunch (12:30 – 1:30pm)</b>	
<p><b>SESSION 3 – Legislation Overview (1:30-3:00pm) – <i>Session Chair Floora DeWit</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">The Environmental Protection Act 1986 and Native Vegetation Clearing</a> (Denise True – Woodman Environmental)</li> <li><a href="#">Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 and Regulations Update</a> (Dr Ken Atkins – DBCA)</li> <li><a href="#">Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016: The sharp end of the stick</a> (Melanie Debenham – Senior Associate, Herbert Smith Freehills)</li> </ul>	<p><b>SESSION 3 - Analysis methods and tools - Identifying Vegetation Representation in a Regional Context (1:30-3:00pm) – <i>Session Chair Floora DeWit</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Threatened Ecological Communities in Western Australia: present and future</a> (Greg Keighery – Chair Threatened Ecological Communities Scientific Advisory Committee)</li> <li><a href="#">Vegetation classification – lessons learnt from analysing a 30,000-plot database</a> (Sarah Luxton – PhD Candidate, Curtin University)</li> <li><a href="#">Who is classifying and what for?</a> (Dr. John Hunter)</li> </ul>
<b>Afternoon Tea (3:00 – 3:30pm)</b>	
<p><b>SESSION 4 – Roles and Responsibilities (3:30-5:00pm) – <i>Session Chair Sarah Luxton</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Vision for a Biodiversity (and Environment) Shared Analytics Partnership in Western Australia</a> (Chris Gentle - Program Director, Information Management, WA Biodiversity Science Institute)</li> <li><a href="#">The role of technical information in EIA</a> (Helena Mills - EPA Strategy and Guidance, DWER)</li> <li><a href="#">Flora and vegetation surveys for impact assessment...in the real world...</a> (Garth Humphreys, Principal Ecologist/Director, Biota Environmental Sciences)</li> </ul>	<p><b>SESSION 4 – (3:30-5:00pm) <i>Session Chair Jason Hick</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Soil Data in WA: narratives to modelling through strategic partnerships</a> (Ted Griffin, DPIRD)</li> <li><a href="#">Fungi in EIA</a> (Roz Hart &amp; Elaine Davidson)</li> <li>Small Group Discussion: <i>Challenges and solutions to improving flora and vegetation assessments in EIA for WA</i></li> </ul>
	<p><b>Symposium Closing – EIANZ &amp; ECA (5:00-5:30pm)</b></p>
	<p><b>Sundowner (5:30 – 7:00pm)</b></p>