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VCCCAR News

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UPDATE: 2014 Victorian Adaptation Forum

VCCCAR is pleased to partner with CSIRO and the Bureau of Meteorology to present the 2014 Victorian Adaptation Forum at **Rydges on Swanston**. The forum will focus on:

- The latest VCCCAR climate adaptation research
- The benefits of Victorian adaptation research for local and state governments and non-government decision-makers
- Future research and information needs
- How researchers are responding to the information needs identified as priority areas in the Victorian Climate Change Adaptation Plan.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Lord John Krebs, FRS

We are pleased to announce **Lord John Krebs, FRS** as our keynote speaker for the 2014 forum. With an initial research career in ornithology and behaviour Lord Krebs: is chair of the House of Lords Select Committee on Science and Technology; sits on the UK Climate Change Committee; chairs its Adaptation Sub-Committee, and is Principal of Jesus College, Oxford. Before this, he was the inaugural chair of the UK's Food Standards Agency and head of the UK's Natural Environment Research Council.



FEATURE PRESENTATION: Robyn Williams and Lord Krebs

Robyn Williams is best known as the host of the award-winning *Science Show*, now one of the longest-running programs on Australian radio since 1975. He has made frequent appearances on ABC TV on *Quantum* and *Catalyst*, and narrated the series *Nature of Australia*. Outside the ABC, Robyn served as president of the Australian Museum Trust, chairman of the Commission for the Future and president of Australian Science Communicators. He will host a public conversation with Lord Krebs on Wednesday 19 March 2014.



PLENARY SESSION: Benjamin Preston

As well as the 2014 VCCCAR Visiting Fellow, **Benjamin Preston** is the Deputy Director of the Climate Change Science Institute at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (USA), where his research focuses on the assessment of climate risk to human systems and the role of adaptation in risk management. His prior appointments have included work with CSIRO's Climate Adaptation Flagship and the Pew Center on Global Change in Washington, DC.



Key information

Schedule:

1pm - 5pm Wednesday 19 March 2014

Workshops showcasing VCCCAR climate adaptation research

6pm - 7pm Wednesday 19 March 2014

A public presentation by Lord John Krebs, FRS, at Deakin Edge

9am - 5pm Thursday 20 March 2014

2014 Victorian Adaptation Forum, co-presented by VCCCAR, Bureau of Meteorology and CSIRO and hosted by Rob Gell (pictured right).



Registrations will open on Friday 13 December 2013 on the [Victorian Adaptation Forum page](#) on the VCCCAR website.

Call for submissions

Submissions are invited to present papers at the 2014 Victorian Adaptation Forum. Presentations will be 10-15 minutes and will address the following priority areas identified in the Victorian Climate Change adaptation Plan:



- Assets and infrastructure
- Natural assets and natural resource based industries
- Supporting adaptation in industry
- Supporting partnerships with local government and the community.

Application submission forms will be available on the [VCCCAR website](#) next week. For further enquiries about the forum or the submissions process email: enquiries-vcccar@unimelb.edu.au

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