



# Getting Research into Policy and Practice

Tuesday 7th April, 9.00am to 2.30pm

Global Change Institute, Seminar Room 275, level 2, Building #20, St Lucia Campus

The University of Queensland's Centre for Policy Futures 'Getting Research into Policy and Practice' workshop helps researchers navigate Australia's policy landscape. A team of The University of Queensland's (UQ) policy experts, facilitated by Professor Karen Hussey, will:

- Introduce you to Australia's federal system and the respective roles and responsibilities of local, state/territory and federal governments.
- Showcase a number of successful 'science-to-policy' case studies.
- Explore what evidence-based policy means in practice.
- Share experiences - good and bad - of interacting and engaging with the policy process, including insights into how you can connect your research with policy and program development.
- Explain the difference between the political and policy spheres.
- Explore the relationship between politics and science funding.

"I'm so glad that I signed up for this workshop. Every session was enlightening and provided practical advice about exactly what to do and how to do it... I would even go so far as to say that this workshop is necessary for all UQ researchers..."

Workshop participant

# Workshop Program

## THE NUTS AND BOLTS: AUSTRALIA'S SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT AND THE POLICY PROCESSES

9.00am - 10.30am Professor Karen Hussey  
Director, Centre for Policy Futures

### Introductions:

- Rationale, aims, format and participant expectations
- A quick quiz

### How Australia is governed:

- The Westminster System and Federalism
- The governance landscape
- Budget processes - who the money comes from and goes to
- Australia and international fora, processes and law

10.30am Morning tea

10.30am - 12.30pm Professor Karen Hussey  
Director, Centre for Policy Futures

### Understanding the policy-making process:

- A policy cycle (sort of...)
- The policy-makers tool kit
- 'Unpacking' the relationship between international trends and domestic policy processes
- Where policy concepts and 'thought bubbles' come from
- Different pathways to policy impact
- Formal and informal process for policy making

12.30pm Lunch

## PANEL DISCUSSION

1.00pm - 2.00pm

Panel discussion and Q&A

2.00pm - 2.30pm Professor Karen Hussey  
Centre for Policy Futures

Reflections, implications and final Q&A

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