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# 20 National Food Waste Summit



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# SUMMIT SPEAKERS

# INTERNATIONAL FOOD WASTE EXPERTS



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**Dr Lisa Johnson**On-farm food loss expert
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## **SUMMIT SPEAKERS**



Costa Georgiadis Host, ABC's Gardening Australia (MC).



Dr Steven Lapidge CEO, End Food Waste Australia.



Craig Reucassel Host, ABC's War on Waste (Keynote).



Kathryn Young Head of Sustainability R&D, Hort Innovation.



Katy Barfield Founder & CEO, Yume.



Dr Lukas Parker Associate Professor, School of Media and Communication, RMIT.



**Brianna Casey** CEO, Foodbank Australia.



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Dr Ian Oppermann
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Rose Gooding Sustainability Lead, Goodman Fielder.



Sean O'Malley Product Stewardship Manager, Sustainability, Coles Group.



**Tim Brown** CEO, Gander.

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#### 9:00AM WELCOME ADDRESS

MAIN STAGE Costa Georgiadis (Master of Ceremonies), Host, ABC's Gardening Australia.

Welcome to Country John Webster, Chair, End Food Waste Australia.

The Hon Tanya Plibersek MP (Virtual), Federal Minister for the Environment

#### 9:25AM CAN WE REALLY END FOOD WASTE? AND WHY CAN'T WE MAIN STAGE AFFORD NOT TO

Dr Steven Lapidge, CEO, End Food Waste Australia.

Brianna Casey, CEO, Foodbank Australia.

Dana Gunders, Executive Director, ReFED, US (Virtual).

Toine Timmermans, Director, Samen Tegen Voedselverspilling (Food Waste Free United), Netherlands.

We are standing at the midway point of Australia's food waste action, six years on from the launch of the National Food Waste Strategy and six years to go to the 2030 target. Dr Steven Lapidge will launch the new strategy to get Australia to our halving food waste goal by 2030, and beyond. Hear from an esteemed lineup of speakers exploring the people, planet, economics of food waste action globally and here in Australia. Each will share the scale of opportunity, what's moved the dial on food waste reduction, and what's needed as we move towards 2030.

#### 10:45AM UPCYCLED MORNING TEA

Enjoy the taste of less waste with morning tea featuring delicious transformed products from Gina's Table, Grainstone, Melons Australia, Nutri V, OzHarvest Ventures, and Rescued Kitchen.

### MAIN STAGE

#### 11:15AM KEYNOTE - IS THE CONSUMER WAR ON WASTE WINNING?

#### Craig Reucassel, Host, ABC's War on Waste.

Following two seasons of War on Waste, Craig Reucassel has tuned millions of Australians into the growing concerns around waste. Craig explores how to attract the hearts and minds of consumers to reduce their food waste and how everyday Australians feel and react, emotionally and with their wallets, when the brands they know do, and don't, take food waste seriously.

# **STAGE**

#### 11:15AM Turning tables on waste: Climate reporting and carbon SHOWCASE opportunities

Kara Hurry, Advisor, Carbon Friendly.

Food waste and loss management can drive impactful climate action and enhance sustainability reporting.

### SHOWCASE **STAGE**

#### 11:40AM Validating food waste opportunities: A decision-making framework for SMEs

Phil May, Senior Development Consultant, Department of Primary Industries & Regional Development.

Bronwen Miller, Project Manager, Department of Primary Industries & Regional Development.

#### **MEASURED & MANAGED: AUSTRALIAN FOOD PACT** 12:00PM REPORTING INFORMING IMPACTFUL INDUSTRY ACTION MAIN STAGE

Nick Cork, Acting Head of the Australian Food Pact, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator).

Hayley Borissow, Sustainability & Decarbonisation Manager, Sodexo Australia.

Helen Szabo, Environmental Manager, McCain Foods ANZ. Rose Gooding, Sustainability Lead, Goodman Fielder.

Australia's food waste challenge is too big to tackle alone. Hear from industry leaders about the role of the Australian Food Pact, being a part of a network of industry food waste champions, and how measurement and reporting informs impactful action.

#### 12:05PM

#### Looking at food waste as a wicked problem: A multidisciplinary

SHOWCASE perspective

**STAGE** Associate Professor Olav Muurlink, Central Queensland University.

#### 12:30PM **SHOWCASE**

#### CaféLab Sector Action Plan Chapter

Dr Helen Addison-Smith, RMIT University. **STAGE** 

#### 12:45PM NETWORKING LUNCH

#### 1:45PM MAIN STAGE

#### FOOD WASTE CHALLENGES OF TOMORROW AND WHAT YOU **NEED TO CONSIDER TODAY**

Sam Oakden, Acting Director Industry Action, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator).

Edwina Beveridge, Owner, Blantyre Farms.

Kaitlin Dawson, Executive Director, NZ Food Waste Champions. Jolanda Dings, Director Sustainability External Relations, Lamb Weston EMEA, Netherlands.

How can we get better prepared for increased policy and reporting requirements and regulation around food waste management? Hear from international and industry speakers about increasing environmental reporting requirements, the need for policy intervention to achieve SDG 12.3, and how this can influence business food waste management.

2:00PM The power of collaboration

SHOWCASE Carolyn Cameron, Sector Action Plan Program Lead, End Food Waste

STAGE Australia (facilitator).

Tony Green, CEO, Australian FoodService Advocacy Body. Johnathon Davey, Chief Executive Officer, Melons Australia. Sarah Hughes, Sector Action Plan Project Coordinator/ENGAGE Program

Coordinator, End Food Waste Australia.

2:25PM Too Good To Go

SHOWCASE Joost Rietveld, Country Director Australia, Too Good To Go. **STAGE** 

How research showed the true impact of Too Good To Go's Surprise Bags.

2:30PM SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT: FOOD WASTE REDUCTION ACROSS MAIN STAGE THE END-TO-END VALUE CHAIN WITH ARGON & CO

> Frans Verheij, Partner, Argon & Co. Pavel Duzhnikov, Managing Principal, Argon & Co.

Utilise the Argon & Co methodology to identify and supercharge your sustainability action. Adopting a comprehensive approach to sustainability and by addressing food waste across the end-to-end value chain to achieve more impactful results.

2:45PM SIGN IN, SIGN UP: TECHNOLOGY ACCELERATING FOOD MAIN STAGE WASTE ACTION

> Associate Professor Simon Lockrey, REDUCE Program Leader, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator).

Katy Barfield, CEO, Yume. Tim Brown, CEO, Gander.

Dr Ian Oppermann, Data, Al and Digital Economy Consultant and Co-Founder, ServiceGen.

Technology and digital innovations offer the possibility to supercharge food waste reduction efforts. Hear from digital innovators harnessing tech to help Australia reduce food waste, and latest insights into data, Al and the digital economy.

2:50PM Safe and bio-secure: Food waste to pig feed

SHOWCASE Dr. Valeria Torok, Food Microbiology Program Leader, Food Sciences, **STAGE** Food Safety & Integrity Theme Leader, End Food Waste Australia CRC,

South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI)

3:15PM Identifying opportunities to reduce food waste by modelling

household dynamics **SHOWCASE** 

STAGE Dr. Jay Ananda, Central Queensland University.

3:30PM AFTERNOON TEA BREAK

4:00PM THE COLES FOOD RESCUE ECOSYSTEM

Sean O'Malley, Product Stewardship Manager - Sustainability, Coles Group MAIN STAGE

Hear from Coles and their key partners in this panel discussion about how they are minimising food waste from their stores and working with suppliers to reduce wastage in their supply chains. They will share the role and impact of donations to food rescue charities Secondbite and Foodbank, donations to farmers and animal or wildlife services, organic food collections, and their I'mPerfect fruit and vegetable range.

**DAY ONE SESSIONS CONCLUDE** 4:45PM **MAIN STAGE** 

INAUGURAL FOOD WASTE ACTION AWARDS AND 5:00PM **NETWORKING RECEPTION** 

> Presentation of the Inaugural Food Waste Action Awards and Foodbank Awards, including poster presentations from End Food Waste CRC Future Leaders.

DAY ONE ENDS 7:00PM



9:00AM WELCOME 10:45AM SAVING AUSTRALIA'S FRUIT AND VEGETABLES -MAIN STAGE MAIN STAGE OPPORTUNITIES FROM FARM TO FORK Costa Georgiadis (Master of Ceremonies), Host, ABC's Gardening Australia. The Hon Minister Ed Husic MP (Virtual), Minister for Industry and Science. Melissa Smith, Horticulture Lead, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator). Alison Buxton, Director, Freshcare. Phoebe Dowling, Head of Global Food Sustainability, Simplot Australia. Lisa K. Johnson, US on-farm food loss expert and consultant. 9:00AM Understanding how trading practices affect food waste Kathryn Young, Head of Sustainability R&D, Hort Innovation. Associate Professor Bree Hurst, Queensland University of Technology. **SHOWCASE STAGE** Some of the biggest changes to reducing fresh produce waste are coming and will have economic, social and environmental benefits and opportunities across the supply chain. Hear insights from the Horticulture 9:15AM ACCELERATING SOLUTIONS TO REDUCE AND PREVENT FOOD Sector Action Plan, a first-of-its-kind plan with nine priority areas to tackle MAIN STAGE LOSS & WASTE - TETRA PAK fresh produce waste from farm to fork, and from industry about how we can bring this action to life. Boris Munster, Managing Director, Tetra Pak Oceania. Current food systems are inefficient, with more than a third of all food Accelerating food transformation produced being either lost or wasted. Food loss is mainly caused by 11:10AM inefficient production and processing practices with food being grown but **SHOWCASE** Dr. Hope Johnson, Senior Lecturer in the School of Law, Queensland not preserved. Hear how Tetra Pak is playing an important role in improving **STAGE** University of Technology. food supply chains and building resilience into food systems. INNOVATORS' SOLUTIONS TO FOOD WASTE CHALLENGES 11:30AM 9:25AM Transforming rescued food into shelf stable meals **MAIN STAGE** Emma Coath, Executive Chair, RocketSeeder (facilitator). **SHOWCASE** Fiona Maxwell, Director of Community, Innovation & FareShare, FareShare. STAGE Patricia Lindeman, Food Technologist, Queensland Department of Hear from finalists for RocketSeeder's Australian Food Waste Challenge. Agriculture and Fisheries. This challenge has surfaced some of the next big innovations in the fight against food waste. 9:30AM REIMAGINED: FOOD WASTE FREE CITIES OF THE FUTURE Professor David Pearson, ENGAGE Program Leader, End Food Waste MAIN STAGE Measuring up: learnings from on-farm food waste measurement 11:35AM Australia (facilitator). **SHOWCASE** Ossie Lang, Consultant, RMCG. Rebecca Bliss, Social Impact Manager, Sustainability Victoria. **STAGE** Rob Gregory, General Manager, East Waste. Elisabeth Spits, Senior Research and Strategy Advisor, Brisbane City Council. How do we tackle household food waste in our ever-growing cities, including FINANCING FOOD WASTE AND SUSTAINABILITY ACTION 12:00PM tackling multi-unit dwellings? Hear from local councils, state bodies and MAIN STAGE WITH COMMONWEALTH BANK industry on impactful solutions to fight food waste in Australian cities. Carmel Onions, Executive Manager Agribusiness ESG, Strategy & Carbon, Commonwealth Bank. 9:50AM Cultivating the capacity of food businesses to reduce and SHOWCASE transform food waste through their supply chains Dr. Joanne Freeman, Director, Honey & Fox (facilitator). STAGE Industry PhD opportunities with the End Food Waste Julie Bates, Director Business Development at RDARM. **Cooperative Research Centre SHOWCASE** Associate Professor Elizabeth Jackson, Supply Chain Management, **STAGE** Associate Professor Tangerine Holt, University of Melbourne. Curtin University. 10:15AM MORNING TEA 12:15PM NETWORKING LUNCH 10:45AM Institutions Sector Action Plan chapters - hospital and aged care SHOWCASE STAGE Professor Jodie Conduit, University of Adelaide.

#### 1:30PM ENGAGING CONSUMERS: BEHAVIOURS THAT STICK AND MAIN STAGE CHANGES WITH IMPACT

Mandy Hall, Campaign Director, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator). Dr Angela Baker, Associate Partner, Whereto Research.

Dr Mark Boulet, Senior Research Fellow, BehaviourWorks Australia, Monash Sustainable Development Institute.

Renee Prime, Behaviour Change Engagement Lead, Sustainability Victoria. Toine Timmermans, Director, Samen Tegen Voedselverspilling (Food Waste Free United), Netherlands.

Consumer messaging is a crowded space, what are the messages that cut through, the behaviours that help create long term, sustained change, and the changes we can make in our homes that will really help hit the target of halving food waste by 2030? Hear from experts in this space about solutions that work.

#### **SHOWCASE** STAGE

#### 1:30PM Implementing Sector Action Plans

Carolyn Cameron, Sector Action Plan Program Lead, End Food Waste Australia (facilitator).

Molly Chapman, Acting TRANSFORM Program Leader, End Food Waste Australia.

Sarah Hughes, Sector Action Plan Project Coordinator/ENGAGE Program Coordinator, End Food Waste Australia.

Emil Kroell, Technical Specialist, End Food Waste Australia.

#### 1:55PM Gander - Retail waste saving program

#### **SHOWCASE** STAGE

Dr Kevin Argus, Senior Lecturer, Chair Circular Economy Hub, RMIT

University.

# 2:15PM

#### FOOD WASTE PROOF YOUR PRODUCTS: UNLOCK THE MAIN STAGE POSSIBILITIES OF THE PACKAGING AND CONSUMER TOUCH **POINTS**

Nerida Kelton, Executive Director, AIP, Vice President Sustainability & Save Food for the World Packaging Organisation (facilitator).

Michael Dossor, General Manager, Result Group.

Dr Lukas Parker, Associate Professor - School of Media and

Communication, RMIT.

Sophie Sumner, Marketing Communications Manager, Sealed Air.

Innovative design, creative approaches to information sharing, utilisation of new technologies and getting to know consumer behaviours are critical ingredients to cooking up packaging and consumer touch points that can help reduce food waste. Join for a masterclass in fresh ideas to save and prevent food waste.

#### 3:00PM SUMMIT WRAP-UP

MAIN STAGE

Dr Steven Lapidge, CEO, End Food Waste Australia



THE AUSTRALIAN FOOD PACT BRINGS ORGANISATIONS TOGETHER TO DEVELOP AND SHARE SOLUTIONS AND IMPLEMENT CHANGE AT SCALE.

#### We can help:

- Tackle food waste.
- Improve profitability.
- Measure and quantify food waste and food waste action.
- Apply innovative solutions.

- Identify value-add and upcycling possibilities.
- Facilitate across supply chain collaboration.
- Lower environmental impact.

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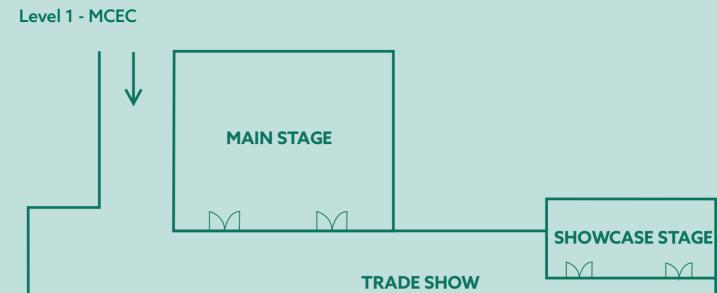
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