

**SCERN Symposium**  
**14-15 April 2011**  
**Australian National Centre for the Public Awareness of Science**  
**The Australian National University, Canberra**

**Program**

**Day 1**

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**Thursday 14 April**

- 9.00am**      **Registration**
- 9.30**          **Welcome**  
Professor Aidan Byrne (Dean College of Science, The Australian National University)
- 9.45**          ***What's next: After the IA Conference***  
Professor Graham Durant (Director, Questacon)
- 10.15**        **Morning Tea**
- 10.45**        ***Inspiring Australia: Participant discussion***  
The session will draw on the outcomes of the Inspiring Australia Conference in Melbourne.  
Chair: Associate Professor Nancy Longnecker (The University of Western Australia)
- 12.30pm**    **Lunch**
- 1.30**          ***Setting the agenda for the following day***  
The session will be based on the discussion points provided by participants prior to the Symposium.  
Chair: Associate Professor Sue Stockmayer (The Australian National University)
- 2.00**          ***Touching bases session 1: What are you currently doing in your area?***  
Up to five participants will give short presentations (of 10 minutes duration each) about science communication teaching and research activities in their home institutions. Presentations will be followed by Q&A.  
Chair: Professor Jean S Fleming (The University of Otago)
- 3.00**          **Afternoon Tea**
- 3.15**          ***Touching bases session 2: What are you currently doing in your area?***  
Another five participants will give short presentations (of 10 minutes duration each) about science communication teaching and research activities in their home institutions. Presentations will be followed by Q&A.  
Chair: Associate Professor Renato Schibeci (Murdoch University)
- 4.15**          **Close**
- 6.30 for 7.00** **Symposium Dinner: Teatro Vivaldi Restaurant**  
(Located on ANU campus, a short walk from Symposium venue)

## Day 2

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### Friday 15 April

- 9.00am**      ***Your agenda: Discussion of agenda items from the previous day***  
The session will follow from agenda items tabled for discussion on Day 1 of the Symposium.  
Chair: Associate Professor Sue Stockmayer (The Australian National University)
- 10.15**      **Morning tea**
- 10.45**      ***Your agenda: Discussion of agenda items from the previous day (Continued)***  
Chair: Dr Rod Lamberts (The Australian National University)
- 11.30**      ***Touching bases session 3: What are you currently doing in your area?***  
Another five participants will give short presentations (of 10 minutes duration each) about science communication teaching and research activities in their home institutions. Presentations will be followed by Q&A.  
Chair: Dr Will Rifkin (The University of New South Wales)
- 12.30pm**      **Lunch**
- 1.30**      **Presentations by PhD students**  
PhD students attending the Symposium will present brief overviews about their research (up to 5 minutes per student). Presentations will be followed by Q&A.  
Chair: Dr Joan Leach (The University of Queensland)
- 2.30 (approx.)**      ***Where next: Future directions for SCERN***  
The final session will summarise deliberations from the Symposium and discuss future actions for SCERN with regard to outcomes of the Inspiring Australia Conference.  
Chair: Dr Will Grant (The Australian National University)
- 3.30**      **Symposium close over afternoon tea**