

# FUTURE EARTH AUSTRALIA YEAR IN REVIEW: 2024



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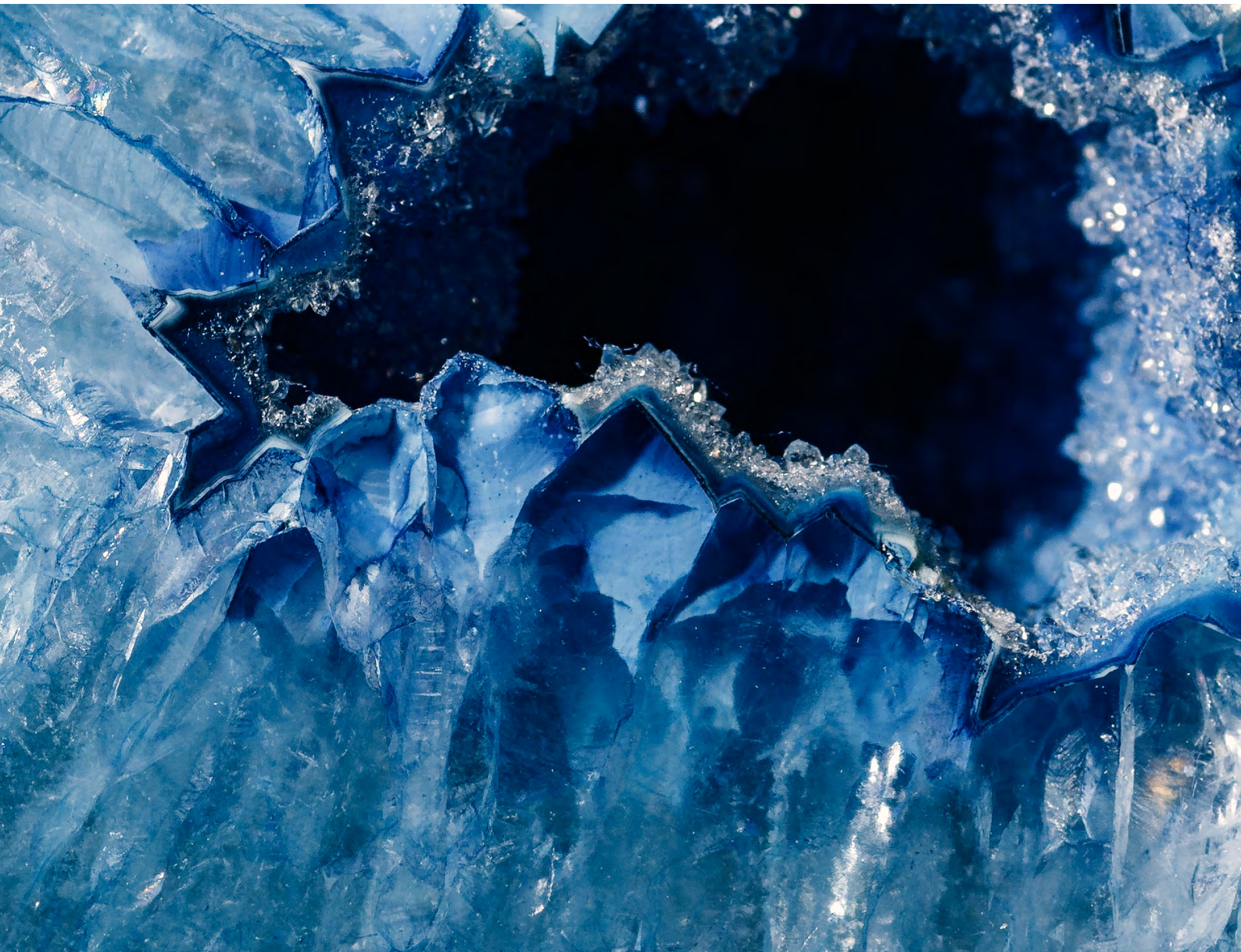


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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Future Earth Australia acknowledges and pays respects to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander First Nations People, Traditional Owners of the Country on which we all reside, and who hold enduring connections to land, waters, seas, and culture. We also acknowledge and pay our respects to Elders past and present, who hold the memories, traditions, cultures and hopes of the Indigenous Peoples of Australia. We celebrate the world's oldest continuous cultures and their ongoing contributions to Australian life, identity, and culture.

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# INTRODUCTION



Looking back on 2024 I am immensely proud of the work Future Earth Australia has achieved. We demonstrated our leadership in convening transdisciplinary research by updating our Urban Sustainability Strategy and developing the capacity of our early career ocean professionals. We continued the work as a knowledge broker to deliver robust advice to decision makers when it counts. And excitingly, Future Earth Australia has reengaged with our international partners, particularly the Belmont Forum. Of course, we couldn't do what we do without our incredible project and funding partners.

Renewing agreements with members required a lot of energy in 2024, and I'm pleased that most continue to value the network and services that Future Earth Australia provides.

The past year brought a lot of challenges and change. At home, increasing cost of living and housing crunches put even more stress on Australians. Worldwide, the ongoing wars and climate impacts put pressure on the planet, and weigh down our collective hearts. The exponential rise of AI technology continues apace bringing both promise and pitfalls.

Over 80 countries had national, state or local elections in 2024, with between 2 and 4 billion people heading to the polls. The results show how discontented we are as a species with the status quo.

Late-stage capitalism is clearly not serving people or the planet. Thankfully, there are really amazing people doing great work, and the trends are moving in the right direction. With the UK closing its last coal fired power station, deforestation in the Amazon falling by 50%, and the EU criminalising ecological damage there are many reasons stay hopeful.

Here, the FEA community is well established and growing. It feels wonderful to be a part of a community dedicated to making nature thrive, making our society more connected, and safeguarding our planet for future generations.

In so many of my conversations, connection was a central theme that replayed in 2024. The connection between biodiversity and climate solutions, the connection across jurisdictions in recognition of our shared values and priorities, and the importance of connection to ourselves, to each other, and to the Earth as foundation.

Again, I am thrilled with the connections FEA has maintained and grown over the past year, so that we can continue to cultivate the future we want together. Thank you for being a part of that.

**Kate Nairn**  
**Head of Future Earth Australia**



# FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

Statements from Wendy Steele and Jemma Purandare.

'Hope' within the context of a climate and biodiversity crisis is not isolated, passive, wishful thinking – but the purposeful activation of connections and strategies that together transform and improve the (unsustainable) status quo. The core mission of Future Earth Australia is to serve the Australian community as a national platform to catalyse, collaborate and connect research and practice for sustainability transformations in ways that support and promote intra and interspecies justice for future generations. FEA's unique role is as a critical knowledge broker and facilitator for planetary-scale change and sustainability research practices that support Indigenous Knowledge Systems.

As a national node in the Future Earth Asia and Future Earth network, FEA connects Australian researchers and the broader communities that they serve (human and non-human) to an international community of researchers and innovators actively collaborating for a safe and just planet. Transdisciplinary in orientation, FEA brings together expertise from across disciplines and broader society to ensure solutions have impact within specific place-based contexts, amplifying impact the International Science Council, United Nations bodies, the Belmont Forum and FEA global research networks.

2024 has been a critical milestone in the trajectory of FEA with the renewal of memberships required for the first time since its inception. FEA is made possible by a unique group of university sponsors that together provide the financial and social capacity for FEA to exist and flourish. Our sincere thanks to the Australian National University, CSIRO, University of the Sunshine Coast, Monash University, Griffith University, RMIT University, Western Sydney University and the University of Sydney who have been pivotal in previous years in providing the national platform that FEA now occupies hosted within the Australian Academy of Science. The renewal of the FEA membership by universities is significant in a time of sector precarity

and insecurity and we are deeply grateful to those institutions and champions with the vision and ambition to make a difference in the critical climate decade. The expansion of the FEA membership moving forward will further support the sustainability and capacity of FEA to 2030.

As co-Chairs we are privileged to work alongside the FEA director and secretariat, the FEA National Steering Committee, community-based, industry and philanthropic partners, academics and early career researchers. The support from FEA international and the Learned Academies is also appreciated. We would like to thank all those who supported the transformative role and potential of FEA in 2024 and we look forward to the renewed membership focus and attention to key FEA areas such as biodiversity, oceans research, urban sustainability and just climate adaptation in 2025 and beyond.



**Professor Wendy Steele**



**Dr Jemma Purandare**



# 2024 HIGHLIGHTS | AT A GLANCE

MEMBERSHIP TO  
THE BELMONT  
FORUM, A GLOBAL  
SUSTAINABILITY  
FUNDING INITIATIVE



RENEWED  
MEMBERSHIPS  
TO SECURE THE  
NETWORK FOR THE  
NEXT 3 YEARS



BROAD INTERNATIONAL  
ENGAGEMENT



PUBLISHED 2024  
UPDATE: SUSTAINABLE  
CITIES AND REGIONS  
10-YEAR STRATEGY



**30** OPPORTUNITIES  
FUND PROJECTS  
FLOURISHED



**4** PARLIAMENTARY  
POLICY SUBMISSIONS





# STEERING COMMITTEE AND MEMBERSHIP

## RENEWED MEMBERSHIP FOR FUTURE EARTH AUSTRALIA

In 2024, the Secretariat had a strategic imperative to renew agreements with almost all members. Future Earth Australia provides [a range of value to our membership](#) and we secured the majority of members for another 3-year term. In an era of extreme financial pressure for research institutions this is testament to the unique role and benefits we provide.

Future Earth Australia is proud to have early career researcher and professional (ECRP) representation on our Steering Committee.

We thank Dr Steven Lade for his guidance as representative of the Australian National University, and look forward to collaborating with him in his other role as Earth Commissioner.

We also thank Professors David Schlosberg and Stuart Bunn for their time and expertise on the Future Earth Australia Steering Committee, as their roles are transferred to Professor Danielle Celermajer and Dr Mark Kennard respectively.

### Future Earth Australia Steering Committee

Professor Wendy Steele (Co-Chair)	RMIT University
Dr Jemma Purandare (Co-Chair)	Griffith University, ECRP Representative
Professor Stuart Bunn	Ex Officio member
Dr Mark Kennard	Griffith University
Professor Tony Capon	Monash University
Dr Peat Leith	CSIRO
Dr Anna Lintern	Monash University, ECRP Representative
Professor Juan Francisco Salazar	Western Sydney University
Professor David Schoeman	University of the Sunshine Coast
Professor Danielle Celermajer	University of Sydney

## A NEW SUSTAINABLE MODEL FOR FEA

Future Earth Australia will introduce a new membership structure in 2025 to include members, partners and sponsors. This new structure is designed to advance

transdisciplinary collaborations across sectors and enable equitable and accessible partnerships to grassroots organisations.

### Future Earth Australia's 2025 membership structure

Member	Financial membership available to established research institutions, offering a strategic representative position on Future Earth Australia's Steering Committee. Future Earth Australia members have access to national collaboration, international funding such as the Belmont Forum, and priority to early career researcher and professional (ECRP) programs.
Partner	Non-financial partnership and collaboration to develop mutual projects that advance equitable, wide-ranging, and transdisciplinary processes with grassroots and small-scale community groups, and Indigenous groups or organisations.
Sponsor	Financial partnership and collaboration designed primarily for government and government departments. Sponsorship captures the most benefit from investment in national and international sustainability initiatives that can advance science towards Australian interests and bolster international leadership.

# CHANGES IN FUTURE EARTH AUSTRALIA'S SECRETARIAT

In 2024, we bid farewell to our long-standing Research and Policy Officer, Anna Pradhan. Her carriage of the Early Career Researcher and Professional Program led to the production of our very successful co-lab series. Her masterful consultation and project management saw the update to our Urban Strategy delivered to the highest calibre. Anna has left a lasting legacy at FEA that we are truly grateful for.

We also welcomed and farewelled Mia Jagers, who was Future Earth Australia's Research and Policy Assistant. Mia's contributions were invaluable in advancing our initiatives and engagements, and we extend our heartfelt thanks for her dedication and hard work.

Thanks also to our interns Kai Chalmers and Jazmyn Mitchie, we wish you the very best in your future endeavours.

Excitingly, we have welcomed Nazanin Hosseinpour to the team as our new Research and Policy Officer. With her expertise and passion for sustainability, social science and policy development, Nazanin brings fresh energy and insight to our work. We look forward to her contributions in shaping Future Earth Australia's initiatives in the years ahead.

Kate Nairn, after a few years in the leadership role, is now officially directing FEA as Head of the organisation. Future Earth Australia gratefully continues its long-standing partnership with the Australian Academy of Science.







# ENGAGE – GLOBAL

## THE BELMONT FORUM

Future Earth Australia secured the Australian membership to the Belmont Forum in April 2024, previously held by CSIRO. We thank CSIRO for their stewardship of this important collaboration and look forward to building on the successes of this partnership. Future Earth Australia is the new coordinating body for the Forum as a full member.

THE BELMONT FORUM IS AN INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP THAT MOBILISES FUNDING OF ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE RESEARCH AND ACCELERATES ITS DELIVERY TO REMOVE CRITICAL BARRIERS TO SUSTAINABILITY.



The Belmont Forum is a unique multilateral funding mechanism that brings together international funding partners around shared global environmental change challenges. It aims to strengthen the transdisciplinary approach needed to address the complexity and global character of the problems we face today.

Access to the Belmont Forum funding pool is exclusive to Future Earth Australia members and partners. This will allow a broader cohort of Australian researchers to access the benefits of the Forum for the first time in six years. Future Earth Australia is excited to generate opportunities to engage in a dynamic global network that fosters and amplifies research impact.

Future Earth Australia is uniquely interested in the upcoming Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Actions (CRAs):

1. Vulnerability and Resilience Management for socio-environmental systems in exposed territories – open April 2025
2. Oceans 2 – open June 2025

Future Earth Australia, as a member of the Belmont Forum, can leverage scientific expertise and represent Australia and the Pacific in global scoping sessions, and pursue government sponsorship to further insert Australia into the scientific narrative.

*"This relationship transition will enrich our joint efforts towards addressing global environmental challenges."*

*- Dr Nicole Arbour, Executive Director of the Belmont Forum*

*"This is an exciting new chapter for Future Earth Australia, and we are excited to be able to bring our members and partners along with us."*

*- Dr Jemma Purandare, Co-Chair of Future Earth Australia Steering Committee*



# SUSTAINABILITY RESEARCH + INNOVATION CONGRESS, BELMONT FORUM PLENARY AND FUTURE EARTH ASSEMBLY

Future Earth Australia representatives Kate Nairn, Professor Wendy Steele and Professor Tony Capon attended the Sustainability Research + Innovation Congress (SRI) from 10 to 14 June 2024, which also hosts the annual Belmont Forum Plenary and Future Earth Assembly in Helsinki, Finland. This presented an exciting opportunity to strengthen Future Earth Australia's international relationships and collaborations, and explore the governance systems of the Belmont Forum and Future Earth.

As a new member, Future Earth Australia participated in the Belmont Forum Plenary, marking Australia's first representation in the Forum in many years. Additionally, the Future Earth Assembly provided a platform to contribute to global sustainability science priorities and strengthen connections within the Future Earth community.

We also acknowledge the 100+ Australian researchers who are part of the Future Earth Global Research Networks, representing Australian excellence and contributing to the ongoing success of Future Earth globally.

THE SUSTAINABILITY RESEARCH + INNOVATION CONGRESS (SRI) WAS THE PREMIER SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE AND INNOVATION EVENT OF 2024, BRINGING TOGETHER OVER 2,000 PARTICIPANTS FROM MORE THAN 100 COUNTRIES.

*"Seeing the level of engagement and resourcing being provided across international partners was inspiring. It showed me what is possible, and the immense opportunity this brings to Australia"*

- Kate Nairn

Reengaging our international partners was a strategic directive for Future Earth Australia in 2024. These linkages are critical for providing value to our members.



SRI Opening Plenary, Kai Mykkaïnen, Minister of Climate and the Environment, Finland



Kate Nairn, Professor Tony Capon (Monash University) and Professor Jago Dodson (RMIT University) at the Belmont Forum



Kate Nairn visiting the Future Earth Sweden Hub office in Stockholm

## INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE COUNCIL ASIA SCIENCE MISSION

The International Science Council Asia Science Mission is designed to connect local resources and knowledge holders to advance Asia's progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals. This initiative is led by Future Earth Asia and uses a meta-network approach to link local, national and regional scale action.

The Asia Science Mission will advance collaboration and provide alignment, capacity-building and improved coordination to enhance the productivity of existing resources. Three inception workshops were held across 2024 to co-design the project with partners across Asia, including Australia.

Future Earth Australia is part of the Project Team for the Asia Science Mission, and attended the second co-design inception workshop from 21 to 24 October 2024 in Kyoto, Japan. The project will continue to develop in 2025 and launch demonstration sites mid-year.



*Consortium partners workshop at the Research Institute for Humanity and Nature, Kyoto Japan.*



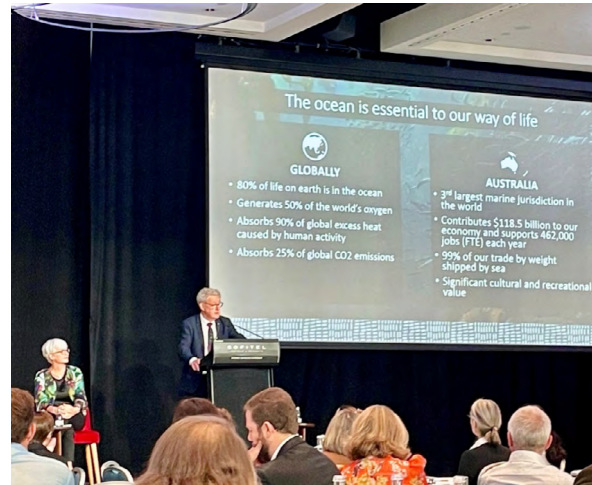
# ENGAGE – LOCAL

## GLOBAL NATURE POSITIVE SUMMIT AND OCEAN DIALOGUE 2024 – SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

Running as a side event to the Global Nature Positive Summit in October in Sydney, the Australian Government's Department of Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water (DCCEEW) invited colleagues in Australia and the region to engage at the Ocean Dialogue.

Conversations centred on collaboration and knowledge, and how the entire oceans community can work to outline the implementation of the DCCEEW's draft Sustainable Oceans Plan. The day recognised the important role our First Nations peoples play in decision-making and on-ground outcomes, and invited our Pacific neighbours to share their voices, just as we share the ocean.

Future Earth Australia was an invited participant to the Ocean Dialogue, in recognition of our ongoing contributions to discussions and supporting efforts to drive meaningful outcomes for sustainable ocean management.



*Russell Reichelt addressing the Oceans Dialogue*

## FUTURE EARTH NETWORKING LUNCH AT SCIENCE AT THE SHINE DOME – CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA

The Australian Academy of Science celebrated its 70th anniversary at its flagship event, Science at the Shine Dome 2024, held from 9 to 12 September. As a key collaborator and constituent of the Academy, Future Earth Australia was also on display.

Future Earth Australia hosted a lunch as part of the event to connect the vast network of Future Earth researchers based in Australia. The Future Earth

Australia Secretariat joined with the wider Future Earth community, including Professor Helene Marsh FAA, colleagues from our previous national strategies and members of the Academy's National Committees for Science. We are privileged to work alongside the best and brightest at the Academy and beyond.

## DECARB FORUM FOR AGRICULTURE AND LAND – SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

In November 2024, Future Earth Australia participated in the IX Decarb Forum for Agriculture and Land, held by Impact X at Western Sydney University. This national event brought together up to 200 stakeholders, including industry leaders, policymakers, scientists and innovators, to engage in collaborative discussions aimed at overcoming barriers, identifying opportunities, and co-designing actionable solutions for decarbonising the agriculture and land sector. Future Earth Australia was invited due to our track record of systems level solutions thinking to climate change.

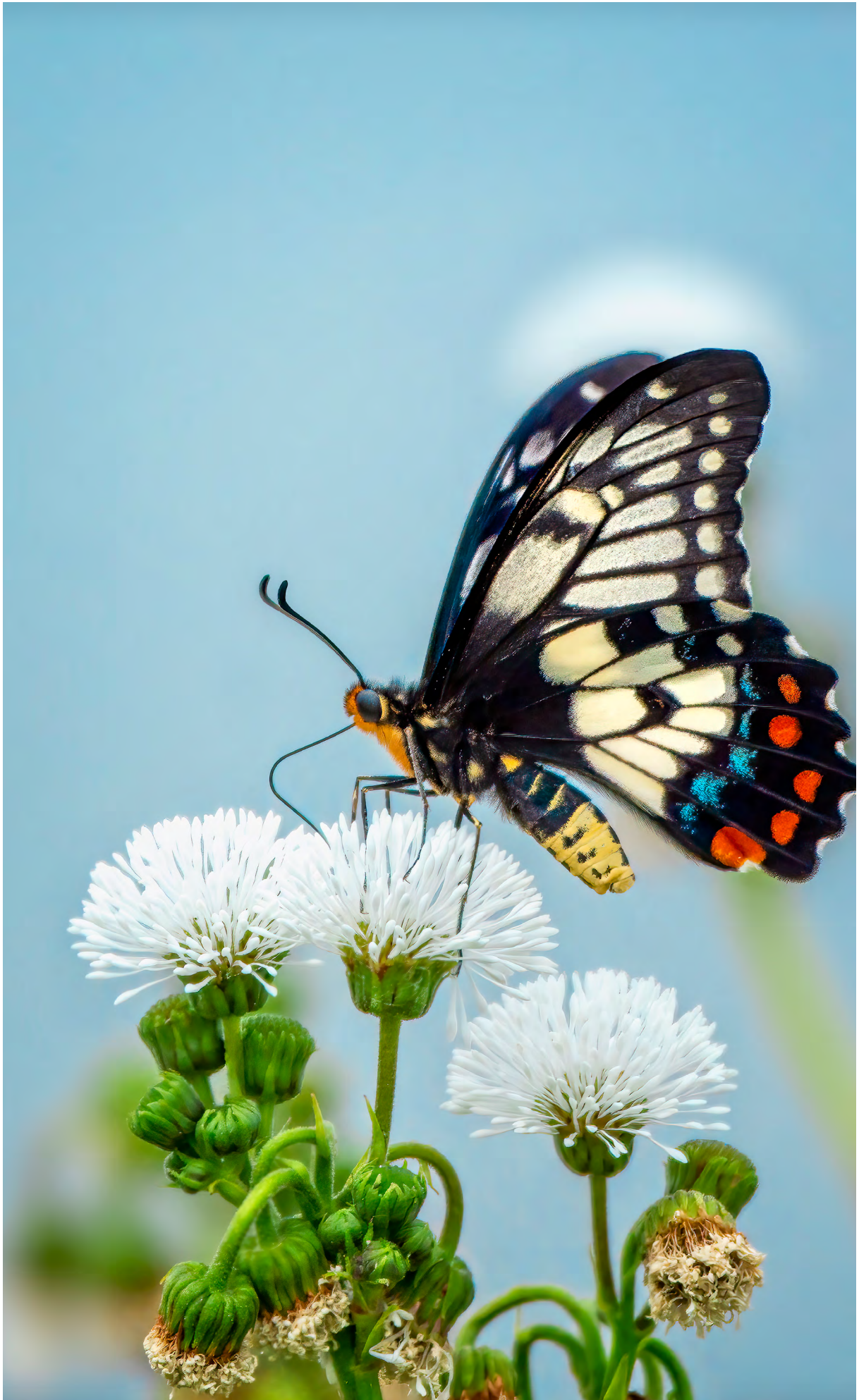
The forum included engaging discussion panels and facilitated roundtables, where participants collaborated to develop actionable recommendations.

Future Earth Australia's Director, Kate Nairn, was a panellist in the discussion on Transforming Systems to Decarbonise Agriculture and Land. Additionally, Future Earth Australia Research and Policy Officer Nazanin Hosseinpour was a table leader for the roundtables on Decarbonising Agricultural Supply Chains, and Methane in Livestock.



*Kate Nairn (second from right) at the Decarb Forum for Agriculture and Land, Sydney*





# BUILDING CAPACITY

## 2024 UPDATE: SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND REGIONS 10 YEAR STRATEGY

In March, Future Earth Australia launched its 2024 Update to the Sustainable Cities and Regions 10-year strategy to enable urban systems transformation.

The original 2019 Sustainable Cities and Regions strategy was published before the global COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent increasing social, environmental and urban complexities.

The 2024 strategy update provides new pathways for action and innovation in local urban spaces, where more than 90% of Australians live.

Urban challenges cannot be holistically addressed without consideration of climate change, social inequities, employment and industry changes, and education and health services in the wake of the pandemic. To address these intersectional intricacies, consultation and deep listening is key.

The update is consistent with the initial 2019 strategy, enhanced through a fresh round of 2023 and 2024 consultations with national and regional communities,

building on our initial extensive engagement across urban-related sectors.

The 2024 update proposes an agenda for federal, state, territory and local governments to partner with stakeholders, communities and researchers on urban systems transformation.

The following strengthening recommendations were provided to reach Australia's desired urban outcomes:

1. Consistent and sustained urban leadership and governance across sectors and levels
2. More inclusive and effective stakeholder and community engagement
3. Extensive urban innovation and knowledge co-development, sharing and uptake
4. Enhanced policy-practice-research collaborations and capabilities

The strategy includes a Roadmap for Implementation, designed to provide strategic, multifaceted and actionable sustainability advice to policy- and decision-makers.





## 2023–2024 OPPORTUNITIES FUND PROJECTS: PROGRESS AND IMPACT IN 2024

In 2023, Future Earth Australia launched its flagship small grants program, the FEA Opportunities Fund, to support researchers, professionals and higher degree research students to address Australia's most pressing sustainability challenges. The Opportunities Fund has been instrumental in fostering early career development and supporting collaborative, transdisciplinary approaches to sustainability issues.

In 2024, we celebrated the continued impact of the Opportunities Fund as the 15 inaugural recipients shared their progress and outcomes.

### DR SOUVIK LAL CHAKRABORTY - 2023 SEIZING OPPORTUNITIES FUND RECIPIENT

"With the help of the Future Earth Australia Opportunities Fund, I was able to attend the 'The Future of Palm Oil is Sustainable' conference from 25 to 26 September 2023 at Monash University Malaysia campus – an event jointly hosted by the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil and Monash University Malaysia. My participation in this conference helped me to engage with the academics and other industry stakeholders in Malaysia's palm oil industry.

Because of these connections, I was able to conduct intensive fieldwork from 5 to 21 November 2023 in Malaysia. During my fieldwork, I conducted interviews with farmers and other stakeholders to understand what kind of environmental problems the smallholder farmers are encountering and how they are tackling these challenges."



*Farmers and other stakeholders participated in Souvik's research in Malaysia, November 2023. Photo by Dr Souvik Lal Chakraborty.*

## JESS BLAKEWAY – 2023 SEIZING OPPORTUNITIES FUND RECIPIENT

"Three endemic shark species in Papua New Guinea – the Papuan Epaulette Shark (*Hemiscyllium strahani*), Michael's Epaulette Shark (*Hemiscyllium michaeli*) and the Hooded Epaulette Shark (*Hemiscyllium hallstromi*) – are classified as Vulnerable by the IUCN Red List. Despite their conservation status, there have been no dedicated surveys to assess their distributions, ecology and biology.

In November 2023, our research team conducted a 16-day survey in the southern Milne Bay region, successfully sampling 63 epaulette sharks across various habitats. Notably, the survey extended the known eastern distribution of both Michael's Epaulette Shark and the Papuan Walking Shark, suggesting potential overlapping ranges for the first time.

The funding from Future Earth Australia supported my travel to join the vessel chartered through Conservation International for this survey. This experience offered invaluable hands-on experience in sampling methods that I have since used to train in-country partners, contributing to the long-term success of this project."



Survey team and crew onboard the MV Undersea Explorer at Doini Island, Milne Bay. Photo by Jess Blakeway.



Jess holding a Michael's epaulette shark prior to release. Photo by Jess Blakeway



This work was made possible by a grant from Granders Trust. Other philanthropic donations are welcome to continue the impact of this program.



# CONNECT

## FEA COLLABORATIVE LABS (CO-LABS)

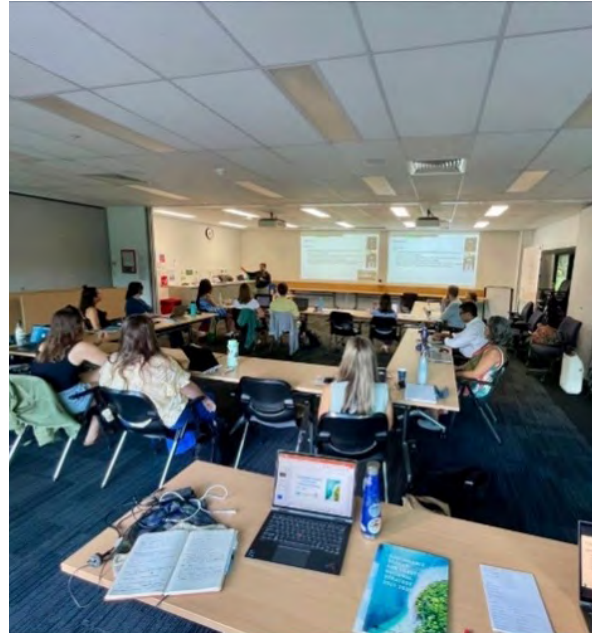
In 2024, Future Earth Australia continued our Early Career Researchers and Professionals (ECRP) Program through producing a new Co-Lab. This initiative brought together transdisciplinary and cross-sector cohorts of early career researchers and professionals to collaborate on key sustainability challenges.

### **SUSTAINABLE OCEANS AND COASTS CO-LAB – MARCH 2024 – GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY OF THE SUNSHINE COAST**

In March 2024, Griffith University and the University of the Sunshine Coast hosted a workshop for 20 ECRPs on Future Earth Australia's [Sustainable Oceans and Coasts National Strategy](#). With the strategy published in 2021, the co-lab explored how to enhance knowledge exchange between research, government and industry with a focus on fostering a culture of open science through data and code sharing, and empower researchers to evaluate and expand the impact of their work. Participants discussed ways to teach and incentivise the publication of datasets and explored strategies for connecting research outcomes with real-world applications in governance and industry.

We are grateful to Griffith University and the University of the Sunshine Coast for generously hosting this event. Thank you to our presenters: Dr Jemma Purandare, FEA's Co-Chair, and Early Career Researcher and Professional (ECRP) representative, Professor David Schoeman from the University of the Sunshine Coast, for their invaluable contributions to this effort. Thanks also to Dr Christina Buelow for presenting on the day.

You can read the participants' resulting publication in [Frontiers in Ocean Sustainability](#).



## BELMONT FORUM SCOPING SESSION FOR THE OCEAN CALL

In September 2024, Future Earth Australia assisted the Belmont Forum to host a scoping session for Oceania regarding their upcoming Oceans Collaborative Research Action (CRA). The session was open to FEA members, affiliated partners and Australian Government representatives to ensure the interests of Australia and the Pacific were heard in the preparation of the call text.

Our regional voice would otherwise have been missing in the shaping of this global science initiative. The Belmont Forum Oceans CRA is set to launch in June 2025, and will seek transdisciplinary projects from around the globe with a focus on oceans and marine system sustainability.

The call's themes currently include biodiversity conservation, socio-ecosystems reliant on oceans, and adaptation to climate change. This was a unique chance to include Australia's priorities in this multilateral forum and will be of material assistance in building regional trust and partnerships in the view to an Oceania COP31 bid. France is currently leading the Oceans2 CRA.

Future Earth Australia seeks to advocate for Australia to leverage and expand its ocean research strengths through this platform, and bring our expertise to bear on the global stage. There is further opportunity to support our Pacific regional neighbours to do the same.

## INFLUENCE

### POLICY SUBMISSIONS

Across 2024, Future Earth Australia provided robust, strategic and evidence-based national policy advice in multiple Parliamentary Submissions, in partnership with our host the Australian Academy of Science.

Our 2024 policy submissions included:

1. [Draft National Science and Research Priorities](#)
2. [Draft Sustainable Oceans Plan](#)
3. [Draft National Urban Policy](#)
4. [Climate Change Authority consultation on the 2024 Issues Paper](#)

Policy submissions demonstrate the enduring relevance of Future Earth Australia's three National Strategies to challenges in science policy and sustainable development. Submissions on policy also provide a crucial space for Future Earth Australia to represent unique perspectives in transdisciplinary discussions and government decision-making.

FEA was sought out to provide evidence-based advice directly to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water and the Department of Infrastructure. Knowledge brokering continues to be an important part of our research to impact pathway.

### POLICY LIBRARY

To foster action in research-policy-practice, Future Earth Australia published the policy briefs to more easily inform policy conversations in 2024 and beyond.

In October, we published the [National Strategies Policy Library](#), including three Policy Briefs for Future Earth Australia's National Strategies: Just Adaptation, Sustainable Oceans and Coasts, and Sustainable Cities and Regions.

The Policy Library is designed to provide a quick summary and outline of each strategy for any reader. For policy- and decision-makers, they are an easy to access precis of the transdisciplinary advice for more equitable, sustainable and evidence-based decisions.



# FUTURE EARTH AUSTRALIA 2024 ACTIVITIES AND THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

SDG Goal	FEA project/activity in 2024
	Continuing to elevate voices of First Peoples and invest in decolonising science.
	Publication and consultation process of the 2024 Update to the Sustainable Cities and Regions Strategy. Providing additional evidence-based research and recommendations towards sustainable urban outcomes from the original 2019 strategy.
	Policy submission and advice for the draft National Urban Policy.
	Policy submission to the Climate Change Authority 2024 Issues Paper.
	Delivery of ECRP co-lab focused on Sustainable Oceans and Coasts in March.
	Policy submission to the draft Sustainable Ocean Plan.
	Participation and engagement with the global Nature Positive Summit and Ocean Dialogue.
	Support caring for Country, including protection and regeneration of biodiversity and ecosystems as part of Australia's agricultural sector.
	Championing sustainable environment transitions through knowledge brokering between government and critical research areas.
	New and continuing partnerships with international organisations to advance equity and sustainability around the world and Australia. Including connections with: Belmont Forum, Future Earth Sweden, Future Earth Global, International Science Council, Asia Science Mission.
	Continuing collaboration with Australian member institutions.

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS





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