

THEATRE 1: OPENING PLENARY - IGNITING THE FUTURE : SCALING UP SMART ENERGY SOLUTIONS

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HON CHRIS BOWEN MP
Minister for Climate Change and Energy



THE HON PENNY SHARPE
Minister for the Environment; Heritage;
Climate Change; Energy



HE PRESIDENT SURANGEL WHIPPS JR
Head of Government, President of Palau



ALLEGRA SPENDER MP
Member for Wentworth



MURRAY HOGARTH
University of Technology Sydney

DAY 1 WEDNESDAY 9 APRIL 2025

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8.50AM PLENARY SESSION – IGNITING THE FUTURE

CHAIR: DON HENRY, PRESIDENT, SMART ENERGY COUNCIL

WELCOME TO COUNTRY – **AUNTY JOAN BELL** Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council**HON CHRIS BOWEN MP** Minister for Climate Change and Energy**HE PRESIDENT SURANGEL WHIPPS JR** Head of Government, President of Palau**THE HON PENNY SHARPE** Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for Climate Change and Minister for Energy**ALLEGRA SPENDER MP** Federal Member for Wentworth**JOHN GRIMES** Chief Executive Officer, Smart Energy Council**MICHELE O'NEIL** President, Australian Council Trade Unions

DISCUSSION

10.30AM MORNING TEA BREAK

SCALING UP SMART ENERGY SOLUTIONS

11.00AM THE PATH TO LARGE SCALE ENERGY TRANSITION: INNOVATIVE STRATEGIES FOR IMPACT

CHAIR: AMY KEAN, DIRECTOR, STRIDE RENEWABLES

CHLOE HICKS Executive Director, Strategy & Policy, Energy Co**DAVID LEITCH** Principal, ITK Services Australia**GRANT McDOWELL** Head of Strategy and Product & Co-Founder, Enosi Australia**JASON FLANAGAN** Chief Executive Officer, Droppoint

DISCUSSION

11.50AM THE BATTLE FOR SOCIAL LICENSE

CHAIR: TARYN LANE, GENERAL MANAGER, HEPBURN ENERGY

NICOLA SALTMAN Director, Engagement and Communications, Stride Renewables**MURRAY HOGARTH** Industry/Professional Fellow, University of Technology Sydney**HEIDI McELNEA** Regional Coordinator, Community Power Agency**TOMMY HICKS** Head of Culture and Community, Indigenous Energy Australia**DAN LIU** Business Development Manager, TÜV Rheinland

DISCUSSION

1.00PM LUNCH BREAK

1.30PM SMART SOLUTIONS FOR A CONGESTED TRANSMISSION GRID: BATTERIES AS VIRTUAL TRANSMISSION

CHAIR: CHARLIE CARUSO, GENERAL MANAGER - WESTERN AUSTRALIA, SMART ENERGY COUNCIL

ROB HILLS APAC Vice President of Engineering and Commissioning, Fluence**JAMIE PICKLES** Manager DER Portfolio Coordination, Synergy**WARWICK O'DELL** Head of Sales, EVO Power**ZHANG YALIN** Deputy General Manager of Overseas Business, Sieyuan

DISCUSSION

2.30PM AFTERNOON TEA BREAK

3.00PM PROCESS HEAT: THE FORGOTTEN DECARBONISATION OPPORTUNITY

CHAIR: DAVID LEITCH, PRINCIPAL, ITK SERVICES AUSTRALIA

DR KEITH LOVEGROVE Director, ITP Energised: The Australian Solar Thermal Energy Assoc**TOM GEISER** Head of Australia, Rondo Energy**MARK PICKERING** Co-Founder, Aratherm**KATIE BROWN** Executive Director Electrification, Efficiency and Safety, Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action

DISCUSSION

4.00PM GREEN IRON & RENEWABLE ENERGY TRADE POLICY – PRESENTED BY AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

CHAIR: PROF FRANK JOTZO, CRAWFORD SCHOOL, ANU

PROF FRANK JOTZO Crawford School, Australian National University**JORRIT GOSENS** Fellow, Crawford School, ANU**ANNETTE ZOU** Senior Research Officer, Crawford School, ANU**JOHN PYE** Associate Professor, School of Engineering, ANU**ASSOC PROF IAIN MACGILL** School of Electrical Engineering and Telecommunications, UNSW

DISCUSSION

5.00PM NETWORKING DRINKS

NETWORKING DRINKS – 5PM-6PM, NETWORKING LOUNGE