

Defining and Monitoring Natural Ecosystems and their Conversion in Australia: A Collaborative Workshop

Please expect a timetable in your inbox prior to the workshop

Dates: March 12 (Australia), March 11 (U.S.)

Times: 8 AM – 12:30 PM **AEST** (Brisbane)

9 AM - 1:30 PM **AEDT** (Canberra)

6 – 10:30 PM **EDT** (New York)

Session 1: Introduction, workshop objectives, and Australian context (1.5 hours)

- **Welcome and acknowledgement of country**
Djarra Delaney, World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) Australia
- **Introductions (organizers and participant profiles)**
Ana Reboredo Segovia, Land & Carbon Lab (LCL), World Resources Institute (WRI)
- **Global context and virtual workshop objectives**
Leah Samberg, Accountability Framework initiative (AFi)
- **Preview of the in-person workshop**
Ana Reboredo Segovia, LCL, WRI

Q & A about the workshops and the project

- **First Nations perspective on conversion and Healthy Country**
Joshua Gilbert, UTS Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research
- **Australian cattle industry context on natural assets and converted ecosystems**
Naomi Wilson, Australian Agricultural Company

Q & A about Australian context

Break

Session 2: Deforestation in the Australian context (1.5 hours)

- **AFi deforestation definitions**
Leah Samberg and Sam Levy, AFi
- **WWF-Australia Guidance on operationalizing/contextualizing definitions, Australian National University forest data (Q&A throughout)**
Sharelle Polack and Vanessa Keogh, WWF Australia

Break

Session 3: Introduction to definitions for all ecosystems, Australian geospatial data, and LCL datasets (1.5 hours)

- **AFi natural ecosystem and conversion definitions**
Leah Samberg and Sam Levy, AFi
- **Australian Ecosystem Models Framework**
Anna Richards, The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)
- **Land use mapping for Australia**
Jane Stewart, Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences (ABARES)
- **Habitat Condition Assessment System (HCAS)**

Kristen Williams and Simon Ferrier, CSIRO

- **Human industrial footprint index**

Rubén Venegas-Li, University of Queensland

- **Global Pasture Watch dominant grass class maps**

Lindsey Sloat, LCL, WRI

- **SBTN Natural Lands Map**

Elise Mazur, LCL, WRI

Q&A session on data and mapping

- Closing and next steps

Ana Reboredo Segovia, LCL, WRI

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