



Program - morning presentations

TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTER
8:30am	Exhibition opens - Ernest Brock Room	<i>Tea and coffee served on arrival</i>
9:30 am	Welcome to Country	
9:35 am	Introduction and house-keeping	Warwick Squire - Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Coexistence Queensland
9:40 am	Official Welcome	Mayor Wendy Taylor, Maranoa Regional Council
9:50 am	Academic Address: The 'why' + background of renewables in the area	Professor Ben Lyons - Director, Rural Economies Centre of Excellence, University of Southern Queensland
10:10 am	Update from Queensland Treasury	Carlye Sycz - Acting Deputy Under Treasurer - Energy & Climate, Queensland Treasury
10:30 am	Update from AgForce	Shane McCarthy - General President, AgForce Queensland
10:45 am	<i>Morning tea break</i>	
11:15 am	Foundations of Coexistence	Warwick Squire - CEO, Coexistence Queensland
11:30 am	Local Renewable Energy Company project update	Shane Quinnell - Head of Development QLD & NSW, WestWind Energy
11.55 am	Deep Dive: Approaches to Community Benefit Sharing	Elliot Willemsen-Bell - Senior Manager, Community, Windlab
12:20 pm	Facilitated discussion: "Landholders at the core" Facilitated by Warwick Squire (Coexistence Queensland)	Gary Lees - Head of Regional Development & Relations , RELA Stephanie McKechnie - Energy Engagement & Education Advisor, Queensland Farmers' Federation (QFF) Katie-Anne Mulder - CEO, Queensland Renewable Energy Council (QREC)

QUEENSLAND COMMUNITY RENEWABLES FORUM

FORUM ROMA - TUESDAY 1 APRIL 2025



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TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTER
1:00 pm	Lunch	<i>Sponsored by Powerlink Queensland</i>
1:45 pm	Queensland Renewable Energy Landholder Toolkit: What landholders and neighbours should know	Stephanie McKechnie - Energy Engagement & Education Advisor, QFF
2:05 pm	Lessons learned from Western Downs	Jodie Taylor - CEO, Western Downs Regional Council
2:25 pm	Facilitated discussion: "Community participation in the transition" Facilitated by Katie -Anne Mulder (Queensland Renewable Energy Council)	Jodie Taylor - CEO, Western Downs Regional Council Professor Ben Lyons - Director, Rural Economies Centre of Excellence, University of Southern Queensland Shane Quinnell - Head of Development QLD & NSW, WestWind Energy
3:10 pm	Question & Answer Session / Open Discussion	Facilitated by Warwick Squire - CEO, Coexistence Queensland
3:30 pm	<i>Close of Forum - Networking Drinks</i>	
5:00 pm	Close of Exhibition	



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