

# PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMICS CONFERENCE 2024

25 November 2024 | 8.30AM - 6.00PM  
 The University of Melbourne, Melbourne Connect  
 700 Swanston Street, Carlton VIC 3053

## Program at a glance

8.30 - 8.50	Registration on the Superfloor				
8.50 - 9.00	FORUM 1	Welcome			
9.00 - 9.30		<b>Opening plenary</b> Gordon de Brouwer, Australian Public Service Commissioner			
9.30 - 10.15		<b>Keynote</b> Danielle Wood, Chair, Productivity Commission			
10.15 - 10.45	Morning tea				
		FORUM 1	FORUM 2	FORUM 3	M13+M14
<b>Session 1</b> 10.45 - 11.45		Climate modelling: building capability to meet the policy environment	Assessing the potential for a hydrogen electrolyser manufacturing industry in Australia	Experimental linkage between the digital economy and health activity in Australia	Analysis on output gap between aggregate demand and potential output
		Techno economics and the energy transition	Green pathways for Australia's metals industry	Advances in measuring healthcare productivity	Structural and predictive monetary policy analyses using the R package bsvars
		Global trends and development in carbon pricing	Reviewing trade and assistance – 50 years on		
<b>Session 2</b> 11.50 - 12.40		Australian critical minerals and the global race for batteries	Innovation statistics – a new publication and its uses	The economic returns to education	How competition impacts prices: the Australian aviation sector
		The clean energy transition and the challenge of firming renewables	How patent grant timing affects innovation and competition: applying economics to address congestion in service delivery	Exploring the relationship between education qualifications and income support payments	Stigler's Scales
12.40 - 1.45	Lunch				
12.55 - 1.40	FORUM 1	<b>Lunchtime panel presentation</b> Catalysing cross sector collaboration - sources and methods			

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<b>Session 3</b> 1.45 - 2.35	National accounts – changes to the system of national accounts	Strategic examination of research and development in Australia	How valuable is liquidity in private retirement plans? Impacts from raising the access age	Employment restraints in Australia: cutting through the data using BLADE
	Net zero data opportunities	Import competition, knowledge diffusion, and innovation	Impact of regulation on substance use	Estimating labour productivity in the residential construction sector
<b>Session 4</b> 2.40 - 3.30	Research at e61	Environmental water trade – making every drop count	Putting a value on prompts: applying propensity methods to reveal the revenue impact of ATO prompts to lodge	Insights from Jobs and Skills Australia's 2024 Occupation Shortage List and 2024 Occupation Shortage Drivers report
		Estimating the costs and benefits of climate change policies – ABARES' new spatial land use model	Australian Centre for Evaluation: challenges and opportunities in delivering experimental and quasi-experimental evaluation in government	An application of behavioural microsimulation modelling in the Productivity Commission early childhood education and care inquiry
3.30 - 4.00	Afternoon tea in the Lab			
4.00 - 5.00	FORUM 1	<b>Panel presentation</b> Role of government in modern economic policy		
5.00 - 6.00	Networking drinks in the Lab			

