

You are invited to the 2017 Dieback Information Group (DIG) Conference – a unique opportunity for industry, community and Government to come together and share the latest research developments and management tactics for combatting the plant disease, Phytophthora Dieback.

Join the Hon Diane Evers from the Greens WA for the opening address of DIG 2017 followed by our keynote address from the inspirational Prof. Stephen Hopper, Conservation Biologist and expert in Australian plants and will focus on Dieback and Kwongan – novel perspectives from an ancient diversifying flora.

One of the leading authorities on Phytophthora Dieback, Prof Giles Hardy, will be summarising the last 25 years of Phytophthora Dieback research from the CPSM at Murdoch University – a talk not to be missed!

IUCN Leader of Ecosystems and Invasive Species, Dr Judy Fisher, will be speaking about the IUCN global approach to protecting environments from invasive species. DIG will also feature talks from a range of great speakers from the community, industry, Government and academic sectors.



Date: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September

Location: Murdoch University, 90 South St, Murdoch Cost: \$90 concession, \$180 full price

Registration: www.dwg.org.au/dig-conference

Some of our other speaker topics include:

Challenges in 'dieback-free' BRM - Eradication techniques update - Community Phytophthora Dieback management – Jarrah forest drought & heatwaves - Green Card - New Phytophthora species - Dieback management from the Birdlife Australia perspective - Myrtle Rust update -Phytophthora Dieback interpreting















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**GREEN CARD** 

28-09-2017 www.dwg.org.au/ green-card





## **DIG 2017 Speaker Program**

Time	Speaker	Organisation	Presentation	
8:45	Opening			
8:45	Noongar Elder	Noongar	Welcome to Country	
8:55	Diane Evers MLA	Greens WA	Conference opening address	
Keynote address				
9:10	Stephen Hopper	UWA	Dieback and Kwongan – novel perspectives from an ancient diversifying flora	
Session 1: Policy				
10:00	Judy Fisher	IUCN	An IUCN Globally endorsed Ecosystem approach to protect and preserve future environments from Invasive species, collaborative opportunities	
10:15	ТВС	ТВС	TBC	
10:30	Tilo Massenbauer	South Coast NRM	Project Dieback framework and rationalisation matrix	
10:45	Emer O'Gara	DBCA	Myrtle Rust update	
10:50	Discussion			
11:00	Morning Tea			
Session 2: Community and On-Ground activities				
11:45	Kat Sambrooks	DWG	DWG Update	
12:00	Tim Landman	Roleybush- care	Community Action to tackle Phytophthora Dieback	
12:15	Tegan Douglas	Birdlife Australia	Stopping Dieback from Taking Flight: A BirdLife Western Australia Perspective	
12:30	Emer O'Gara	DBCA	Managing the Phytophthora Dieback risk of disturbance activities	
12:45	Elaine Davison	DWG	Challenges associated with 'dieback-free' BRM	
13:00	Matt Rumenos	DBCA	Using LIDAR and geospatial techniques in dieback mapping	
13:10	Discussion			



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13:20	Lunch			
Session 3: Research updates				
14:20	Giles Hardy	CPSM/ Murdoch University	Retrospective to a new perspective on management: 25 years of Phytophthora research at Murdoch University	
15:10	Sarah Barrett & Damien Rathbone	DBCA	Long-term phosphite application maintains species assemblages, richness and structure of plant communities invaded by Phytophthora cinnamomi.	
15:24	Bill Dunstan	CPSM/ Murdoch University	Update on the eradication of P. cinnamomi including molecular tools for detection	
15:35	Andrew Grigg	Alcoa Australia	From research to practice: implementing an eradication program on Alcoa's bauxite mine haul roads.	
15:45	Mohammed Baihani/ Rajah Belhaj	CPSM/ Murdoch University	Pathogenicity Trials with some new Phytophthora species	
16:00	Emma Steel/ Chris Shaw	CPSM/ Murdoch University	Changes in jarrah forest as a consequence of drought and heatwaves; impact on dieback interpretation	
16:15	Discussion			
16:40	Close			















