

Renting in Australia – challenges and reforms

Adelaide, 28 November 2022

Program

09.00-9.25am	<p>Welcome to the Conference</p> <p><i>Includes Welcome to Country</i></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aunty Rosalind Coleman, Kurna Elder • The Hon Nat Cook MP, Minister for Human Services (SA) • Dr Michael Fotheringham, AHURI
9.30-10.30am	<p>Keynote address, Heather Holst, Commissioner for Residential Tenancies (VIC)</p> <p>Facilitator: Dr Michael Fotheringham, AHURI</p>
10.30-11.00am	<p><i>Morning tea – proudly sponsored by Community Housing Limited</i></p>
11.00am-12.30pm	<p>The impact of the pandemic on the Australian Rental Sector</p> <p><i>COVID-19 has triggered the biggest shocks to Australia’s housing systems since the Great Depression and will affect the housing system for many years to come. Federal and state governments have faced unprecedented challenges in supporting vulnerable tenants in both social housing and private rental markets.</i></p> <p><i>This session discusses recent AHURI research which provides a policy roadmap for the rental sector in post-pandemic Australia.</i></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Emma Baker, University of Adelaide • Geoff Slack, Community Housing Council of South Australia • Jennifer Beveridge, Tenants Victoria <p>Facilitator: Dr Tom Alves, AHURI</p>
12.30-1.30pm	<p><i>Lunch – proudly sponsored by Community Housing Limited</i></p>
1.30-3.00pm	<p>Regulation of residential tenancies and impacts on investment</p> <p><i>More than 40 per cent of Australian households are directly impacted by regulation of residential tenancies, including renter households and investor (landlord) households. Tenancy laws across Australia are based on consumer protection models, with variations in details, and separate reform processes creating increasing divergences.</i></p> <p><i>This session will review the regulation of renting across Australia, and discuss options for a national tenancy reform agenda, both in terms of the substantive content of such an agenda, and the various means by which it could be pursued in Australia’s federal system of government.</i></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather Holst, Commissioner for Residential Tenancies (VIC) • Dr Chris Martin, UNSW • Emma Slape, REISA & Turner Real Estate <p>Facilitator: Dr Michael Fotheringham, AHURI</p>

3.00-3.30pm	<i>Afternoon tea – proudly sponsored by Community Housing Limited</i>
3.30-5.00pm	<p>The future of renting – what role can the private sector play? <i>This session examines the current state of play for large scale institutional investment in rental accommodation in Australia. The emerging roles of private financiers in delivering affordable housing, the role of institutional landlords in providing private rental accommodation (including Built-to-rent models), and the success factors for private sector partners involved in mixed tenure development will be considered.</i></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kris Daff, Assemble • Dan McClennan, Local • Sean Hogan, ISPT <p>Facilitator: Dr Tom Alves, AHURI</p>
5.00pm	<p>Close of conference</p> <p>Facilitator: Dr Michael Fotheringham, AHURI</p>

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