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**The Shine Dome, Canberra ACT**

## Avenues of Communication for Different Sectors

One of the aims of the Fenner Conference on the Environment: Urban Sustainability and Conservation was to increase communication between research and implementation. During one of the Conference Roundtable discussions we looked into this issue more closely, beginning by capturing the different avenues of communication used by four different sectors: Policy, Practice, Research and Design. These lists are not exhaustive, but they do provide useful insights for how to connect with potential collaborators in other sectors.

The following table can be used to help identify where there are opportunities for strengthening interactions between sectors. Participants in each sector also noted where the avenue of communication was open to anyone to access (denoted with an "O", or "o" if partially open), and also where there were existing cross-sector ties (denoted with an "X"). Avenues that are open access ("O"), offer a straightforward opportunity for communication, e.g. sign up to that particular mailing list. Avenues that have existing cross-sector links ("X") offer opportunities to reach a group of people who may already be working in collaborative, cross-sector ways. The other avenues which are not open access or cross sector are still useful for understanding the additional lines of communication that exist within a sector, and which may open up once you begin collaborating with people within that sector. Alternatively, it may be useful to think about these avenues of communication within your sector, and whether there are opportunities to broaden the conversation within that sector.

The Fenner Conference on the Environment: Urban Sustainability and Conservation was the start of a conversation. To help facilitate future conversations we have also compiled many of the collective insights gained during the conference into a collection of resources that are available on our website: [www.fennerconference2018urban.com.au/](http://www.fennerconference2018urban.com.au/)

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	Search for Information	Share information	Keep up to date	Seek feedback from other sectors
<b>Policy</b>	media <span style="float: right;">O</span>	Chirp newsletter <span style="float: right;">O</span>	Internal dept networks <span style="float: right;">X</span>	social media <span style="float: right;">O</span>
	journal articles	professional associations <span style="float: right;">X</span>	Coords	other government agencies
	work and personal contacts	conferences/ seminars/ workshops <span style="float: right;">X</span>	newsletters <span style="float: right;">O</span>	workshops (community and stakeholders)
	social media/links to articles <span style="float: right;">O</span>	community meetings <span style="float: right;">O X</span>	public tools <span style="float: right;">O X</span>	call out for public submissions <span style="float: right;">O X</span>
	NGOs (newsletters) <span style="float: right;">O</span>	social media (context dependent) <span style="float: right;">O X</span>	policy networks	researchers and experts in the field
	representative networks	research dialogues/ roundtable discussions <span style="float: right;">X</span>	Decision Point, D Bytes <span style="float: right;">O</span>	senate estimates
	Co-ords (particularly in government)		direct engagement with partners	NESP hubs
	special libraries		media <span style="float: right;">O</span>	
			Municipal Association of Victoria	
			Biodiversity planners network	

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<b>Research</b>	journal articles	<input type="radio"/>	journals	<input type="radio"/> X	google scholar alerts	<input type="radio"/>	peer review	
	google scholar	<input type="radio"/>	conferences/ seminars/	<input type="radio"/>	web if science alerts	<input type="radio"/>	social media	
	WIKI	<input type="radio"/>	workshops	<input type="radio"/> X	journal table of	<input type="radio"/>	meetings with	
	seminars/conferences/	<input type="radio"/>	newsletters	<input type="radio"/>	contents	<input type="radio"/>	stakeholders	X
	symposia	X	blogs	<input type="radio"/> X	peer review	<input type="radio"/>	workshops	X
	environmental org	<input type="radio"/>	social media (context	<input type="radio"/>	mainstream media	<input type="radio"/>	multidisciplinary	
	newletters	<input type="radio"/>	dependent)	<input type="radio"/> X	Evernote/	<input type="radio"/>	colleagues	X
	government reports	<input type="radio"/>	outreach - schools etc	<input type="radio"/> X	zotera/ASANA	<input type="radio"/>	friends and family	
	podcasts	<input type="radio"/> X	lectures	<input type="radio"/> X			science communication	
	social media	<input type="radio"/> X	colleagues	<input type="radio"/> X			and outreach	X
	books/libraries	<input type="radio"/>	practioners/ managers/	<input type="radio"/>			public engagement	
	mainstream media	<input type="radio"/>	policy makers/ stakeholders/	<input type="radio"/>			comments sections/letters	
	blogs	<input type="radio"/>	NGOs	<input type="radio"/> X			pages of media (ie the	
	colleagues	<input type="radio"/>	friends/family - informal	<input type="radio"/>			conversation)	X
	internet	<input type="radio"/> X	sharing	<input type="radio"/>			direct feedback from	
	government and public	<input type="radio"/>	emails to key contacts	<input type="radio"/>			stakeholders on reports	
databases	<input type="radio"/>	lobbying and advocacy	<input type="radio"/> X			colleagues		
		inquiry submissions	<input type="radio"/>			students/supervisors		
		ResearchGate	<input type="radio"/>			conferences		
						research design - adaptive		
						management	X	

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<b>Practice</b>	google	<input type="checkbox"/>	project outcomes shared with clients	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Beyond coal and gas conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	public comment process on documents	<input type="checkbox"/>
	google scholar	<input type="checkbox"/>	client service arrangements	<input type="checkbox"/>	government databases and recording systems	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	discussion papers	<input type="checkbox"/>
	department web sites	<input type="checkbox"/>	environmental consultants - via EIS	<input type="checkbox"/>	section meetings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	draft policy documents	<input type="checkbox"/>
	ALA	<input type="checkbox"/>	social media (context dependent)	<input type="checkbox"/>	project meetings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	seeking comment from other government agencies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Atlas of NSW BIONET	<input type="checkbox"/>	politicians	<input type="checkbox"/>	social media	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	libraries	<input type="checkbox"/>	advertising services	<input type="checkbox"/>	articles in journals	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	TROVE NLA	<input type="checkbox"/>	business development meetings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	articles in newspapers	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	University researchers	<input type="checkbox"/>	non-proprietary information easiest to share	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	internet	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Private consultants	<input type="checkbox"/>	radio	<input type="checkbox"/>	GANT chart	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Field naturalists	<input type="checkbox"/>			presentations to NGOs	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Bird observers	<input type="checkbox"/>			professional orgs	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Government offices	<input type="checkbox"/>			Institute of Foresters	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Specialist magazines	<input type="checkbox"/>			Ecological Society Australia	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	RFT request for tenders	<input type="checkbox"/>			Human Ecology Forum International	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	policy documents	<input type="checkbox"/>			State Landcare offices	<input type="checkbox"/>		
advertisements	<input type="checkbox"/>			e.g. <a href="http://landcare.nsw.gov.au">landcare.nsw.gov.au</a>				

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<b>Design</b>	social media	<input type="radio"/>	SMS	test ideas	cold call	
	radio	<input type="radio"/>	tweet/ facebook	<input type="radio"/> X	prototyping	ask
	bush telegraph		tag	<input type="radio"/>	making	collaboration
	google	<input type="radio"/>	wikis	<input type="radio"/>	intervention	community focus groups
	online journals		workshops		monitoring	design workshop
	discussion groups	<input type="radio"/> X	presentations/ conferences	X	practice led research	surveys
	user groups	<input type="radio"/> X	meetings		embodied knowledge	invite people from different areas
	conference papers		food		tacit	consider non-human responses (i.e. engaging with the space or built environment)
	trade journals		teach		online tools	observations/reading
	displays	<input type="radio"/> X	professional development		document brain dumps	conversation
	exhibitions	<input type="radio"/> X	apps		lists and newsletters	interviews
	video/online	<input type="radio"/>	blogs	<input type="radio"/> X		
	TED talks	<input type="radio"/>	brochures to libraries	<input type="radio"/> X		
	podcasts		video			
	audio/written books		podcasts	<input type="radio"/> X		
	markets		exhibitions	<input type="radio"/>		
	neighbours/local contacts		festivals	<input type="radio"/> X		
	case studies		interventions/flash mobs	<input type="radio"/>		

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