

Participatory Research Workshop

Facilitators

- Associate Professor Michael Cuthill
 - Dr. Dana Kelly
- Boilerhouse Community Engagement Centre
University of Queensland

When

8:45am to 12:30pm
Wednesday 29 July 2009
Red 1, Level 3, Room 3
Casuarina Campus, CDU

Overview

Many different types of participatory research are currently undertaken by university staff, students and professional practitioners, across faculties, disciplines and workplaces.

This workshop will briefly outline the spectrum of participatory research undertaken at the University of Queensland focusing on research within Australia. Highlighting examples of participatory action learning research being conducted at the Boilerhouse Community Engagement Centre, University of Queensland, the workshop will consider their relevance in a Northern Territory context.

Participants will be encouraged to discuss their experiences and views about:

- the diverse participatory methods they currently use
- whether action learning and action research methods are appropriate for research with Indigenous communities and issues
- whether it would be useful to develop a 'community of practice' network for participatory research practitioners—this would require some secretariat support and a commitment to ongoing communication.

The organisers particularly welcome offers from people willing to provide brief presentations or lead discussions about their own participatory research.

Attendance at the workshop is free and morning tea will be provided.

Who should attend?

The workshop is aimed at university research staff, post-graduate research students, and people undertaking participatory research or developing community engagement initiatives as part of their work in government, non-government, industry or community organisations.



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Program

8:45am	to	9:00pm	Workshop opens
9:00am	to	9:15pm	Welcome to participants—Professor Stephen Garnett, Director, School for Environmental Research
9:15am	to	9:30pm	Facilitator introductions—Associate Professor Cuthill and Dr Kelly
9:30am	to	10:00pm	Participant introductions
10:00am	to	10:30pm	Presentation on University of Queensland and Boilerhouse Community Engagement Centre participatory research
10:30am	to	11:00pm	Morning tea
11:00am	to	12:00pm	Small group discussions about participatory research and feedback to larger group
12:00pm	to	12:30pm	Discussion about possible 'community of practice' network
12.30pm			Workshop closes

Associate Professor Michael Cuthill

Michael has been Director of the University of Queensland's Boilerhouse Community Engagement Centre since 2005. Over the past twelve years he has worked extensively with the public, private and community sectors, and tertiary institutions, in developing collaborative policy, planning and project responses to local issues. Previous positions he has held include Coordinator, Social Research Section, Gold Coast City Council; Lecturer, School of Environmental and Recreation Management, University of South Australia; and Research Officer, Great Barrier Reef Cooperative Research Centre, James Cook University.



Workshop location

Building Red 1, Level 3, Room 3
Casurina Campus, Charles Darwin University



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For further information about the Boilerhouse Community Engagement Centre and its research projects, please go to:

<http://www.uq.edu.au/boilerhouse>



Dr. Dana Kelly

Dana has more than 20 years' experience in communication programs and collaborative projects with government, private enterprise and community organisations. Since 2004, she has undertaken a range of research and teaching roles at the University of Queensland. Dana's strong theoretical background in social sciences is complemented by extensive practical experience in community consultation and partnership, agricultural extension, environmental education, and natural resource management. Dana is currently Research Manager at the Boilerhouse Community Engagement Centre.



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