

Session (E) Food hubs: distributing food sustainably, connecting communities, redistributing power to local and regional economies

Session 1: Tuesday December 3 11:00 – 12:15

Panel 1: Context

Moderator: Tanya Massy – tanya.massy@unimelb.edu.au

Overarching Questions:

- Why do we need change in food distribution systems?
- What are the opportunities and challenges in emerging community-led distribution?
- What role for Food Hubs?

Theme E1 (4 papers) | Room

Paper 1: Investigating community supported agriculture and a positive ecology approach to sustainability
- Robin Krabbe (*University of Tasmania*)

Paper 2: The Resilience of Long and Short Food Chains during the Queensland floods of 2013
- Geoffrey Lawrence (*University of Queensland*)

Paper 3: The Paradox of Farmers' Markets in Aotearoa New Zealand: Exploring the Tensions between the Global and the Local
- Travis Bartosh (*University of Waikato*)

Paper 4: Improving access to community-based food systems in Adelaide, South Australia – strategies to encourage low socioeconomic groups to participate
- Kylie Markow (*Flinders University*)

Papers 12 mins each – shared question/ discussion time 25 mins

Session 2: Tuesday December 3 1:15 – 2:30

Panel 2: Getting started: research, co-design, activism, enterprise

Moderator: Russell Shields - russell@secondbite.org

Overarching Questions:

- Can – and should – food hubs help reconnect communities and strengthen regional food networks?
- What's been your biggest challenge?
- What would be your 'tip' to others . .

Theme E2 (3 papers) | Room

Paper 1: The Convivial Food Hub: Local food is a catalyst to grow healthy, connected and happy communities and economies
- Emily Ballantyne-Brodie (*Queensland University of Technology & PoliMi*)

Paper 2: Building agricultural capacity and resilience in regional communities through food hubs – A case study of Trentham and districts, Victoria
- Justin Walsh (*Trentham Food Hub*)

Paper 3: South East (formerly Casey) Food Hub: A Case Study in Research and Practice to establish a

Food Hub
- *Chris Ryan, Kirsten Larsen & Tanya Massy (VEIL – University of Melbourne)*

Paper 4: The realities of living and working in a 'sustainable' food business
- *Caithlin and Graham Meave (The Food Garden)*

Papers 12 mins each – shared panel time 25 mins

Session 4: Wednesday December 4 9:15 – 10:30

Panel 3: Barriers and enablers

Moderator: Justin Walsh - justin.timothy.walsh@gmail.com

Overarching Questions:

- What are the biggest challenges to scale and replication of fair food distribution?
- How can we overcome them?

Theme E3 (4 papers) | Room

Paper 1: Sharing the milk: alternative adaptations to raw milk regulation
- *Alanna Linn (Monash University)*

Paper 2: Markets in their palms? From a device to agricultural marketing tool; a case study of the use of the mobile phone by smallholder farmers to access agricultural information and markets in Kenya.
- *Fredrick Odhiambo (Massey University)*

Paper 3: Scaling up and scaling out alternative food initiatives: Lessons from the Vancouver Local Food Hub
- *Sean Connelly (University of Otago)*

Paper 4: The Open Food Network as Enabler of Food Hubs all Shapes and Sizes: Theory and Practice
- *Kirsten Larsen and Serenity Hill (Eaterprises Australia and the Open Food Foundation)*

Papers 12 mins each – shared panel time 25 mins

Session 5: Wednesday December 4 11:00 – 12:15

Panel 4: Making it Work – What have we learnt

Moderator: Kirsten Larsen – klarsen@unimelb.edu.au

Overarching Questions:

- Valuable lessons from getting things done - what have we learnt about the role of hubs?
- What would we do next . . . or differently next time?

Theme E4 (4 papers) | Room

Paper 1: Food Know How: connecting communities through food waste
- *Sharelle Polack (Cultivating Community)*

Paper 2: Food Hub to the Food Rescue – improving access to healthy foods for disadvantaged communities
- *Russell Shields (SecondBite)*

Paper 3: 'Food Hubs in the UK' – Sharing lessons from the UK's sustainable food sector.
- *Chris Walsh (Kindling Trust & Manchester Veg People (MVP))*

1st 2 papers 12 mins, Chris 15mins, panel time 35 mins – incl. discussion of AFHN role