

# GIPPSLAND BIOENERGY FORUM

Location: Lardner Park, 155 Burnt Store Rd, Lardner VIC 3820  
When: 18th of April, 2024

08:30 - 08:50	Registrations Coffee and Tea networking
08:50 - 09:30	Welcome and opening plenary Theme: Setting the scene Partner with the Committee for Ballarat
08:50 - 09:00	Welcome Scott Douglas, Secretary, Victorian Bioenergy Network
09:00 - 09:10	Opening Address Ragini Prasad, Executive Officer, Victorian Bioenergy Network
09:10 - 09:35	Keynote CEO - Chris Buckingham Latrobe Valley Authority
09:35 - 10:00	Jarrod Leak, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Alliance for Energy Productivity Bioenergy - the unmapped and untapped potential for Victorian manufacturers
09:45 - 10:05	Joe O'Neil - Clean Energy Finance Corporation Financing bioenergy projects in the Australian context
10:05 - 10:30	Reza Yosri- Ramboll Biogas Development in Denmark: Insights and Opportunities to Collaborate with Australia
10:30 - 10:40	Questions
10:40 - 11:15	Morning Tea
What's happening around Gippsland	
11:15 - 11:25	Sharon Aarons Agriculture Victoria
11:25 - 11:35	Matt Dugan LaTrobe City
11:35 - 11:55	Gippsland Water - Fergal Rabette and Adrian Harper
11:55 - 12:00	Q&A
12:00 - 12:10	Craig Debnam - Lardner Park
12:10 - 12:20	Jerome Ramirez - ARC Centre of Excellence in Synthetic Biology
12:20 - 12:30	Luis Quijano - ARC Centre of Excellence in Synthetic Biology
12:30 - 12:40	Mark Glover - Ecowaste
12:40 - 12:50	Chris McEvoy - Radial Timbers
12:50 - 12:55	Questions
12:55 - 13:45	Lunch and Networking
13:45 - 14:05	Callum De Maria - Evonik A Global View of Bioenergy Uses and Applications
14:05 - 14:25	Aaron Jenkins (Ecovantage) a well-planned certificate creation strategy can have a substantial impact on the business case for behind-the-meter Anaerobic Digester installations
14:25 - 14:35	Cienna Turpie - Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action - Victorian Energy Jobs Plan Consultation Paper
14:35 - 14:45	Questions
14:45 - 15:15	Afternoon Tea
15:15 - 16:15	Panel/Workshop: Transitioning Gippsland to a Bio-economy - moving beyond talk into action Chair: Scott Douglas, Chief Executive Officer, Green Lab Futures and Ashley Hall, Latrobe Valley Authority, Dorothy Dellosa - Senior Trade Advisor / Trade Council of Denmark
16:15 to 16:30	Closing Remarks
16:30	VBN Networking Event - Dinner Networking in Warragul - Followed by Site Visit on 19/04/24

In conjunction with:

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**19 APRIL 2024**

**Join us at the Gippsland Bioenergy Forum for an exclusive site visit to the trailblazing Ellinbank SmartFarm, a pioneer in carbon-neutral dairy farming. Discover the revolutionary Anaerobic Digestion (AD) facility by Gaia EnviroTech, a testament to sustainable on-farm energy generation. Witness firsthand how this innovative technology not only complements existing alternative energy sources but also contributes to a substantial reduction in the farm's carbon footprint. This visit is a unique opportunity to see how cutting-edge AD technology transforms organic waste into valuable resources, empowering the farm with energy independence and nutrient-rich digestate for healthier soils and pastures. Be part of a movement shaping the future of eco-friendly agriculture and witness the generation of carbon certificates that mark a significant leap towards sustainability in the region. Don't miss out on the chance to explore this cornerstone of environmental stewardship at the forefront of agricultural innovation.**

**1301 Hazeldean Rd, Ellinbank VIC 3821**

**Site Visit starts at 9:30am**

**Meet at site**

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