



## An emissions trading scheme. Is it the answer?

The Australian Climate Science Coalition invites you to take advantage of a rare opportunity to listen to one of the United States most respected commentators present his views on the political and economic consequences of introducing a scheme to tax an essential natural element of life on earth – carbon dioxide. The Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme bill is the most important taxation and wealth transfer legislation to go before the parliament in decades and yet the consequences of the legislation are poorly understood.

Dr Lehr's background as an economist and environmental scientist accredits him to discuss this issue cogently but with a clarity that enables audiences to grasp the folly of our present course of action. Such an address will provide the impetus to question the foundation of the Rudd Government's most important piece of legislation to date.

He will be followed by Dr Bob Carter, Research Professor at James Cook University in Queensland who will address the audience on the science relevant to the global warming debate. Bob will show that the science is indeed "settled", and indicates that natural climate change, both warming and cooling, is the real threat that we face. A proper national climate policy of preparation and adaptation is needed to deal with this threat, and the same policy will cope easily with any human-caused change that might, or might not, manifest itself in future. An emissions trading system has no place in a proper national climate policy. Indeed, by deliberately increasing the price and instability of Australia's power system, an ETS will act to hurt individuals, companies, the national economy and the environment alike.

Professor Carter is a former Chairman of the Australia Research Council's funding panel for Geological Science and of the national Marine Science & Technologies Grants Scheme. He has also served as Director of the Australian Secretariat for the Ocean Drilling Program, which is the world's premier international collaborative research program in environmental and geological science.

There will only be one opportunity to hear these presentations, so book now. Enquiries to Cassandra Brennan, [cassandrab@westnet.com.au](mailto:cassandrab@westnet.com.au) or by phoning 08 9315 3413. Fax your booking form to 08 9315 1343.

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Venue: Hyatt Terrace Ballroom  
99 Adelaide Terrace Perth  
Cost: \$125.00 per person  
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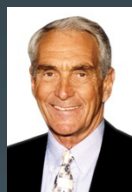
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