## Social Justice and Climate Change: a Community Psychology Perspective

## A Public Forum and Panel Discussion

Presented by the Australian Psychological Society College of Community Psychologists (Victorian Section)

Saturday 17 July, 2010, 11am-5pm

**Venue:** The newly opened Van Raay Centre at the *Centre for Education and Research in Environmental Strategies* (CERES) in Brunswick East, Melbourne, Victoria - <a href="http://www.ceres.org.au/">http://www.ceres.org.au/</a>

**Cost:** \$55 (non-member), \$33 (College member), \$11 (student/concession)

We would love for you to join us for this event on the day after the International Congress of Applied Psychology (ICAP) being held in Melbourne. CERES is an inspirational environmental centre located in Melbourne's Inner North on the site of a former landfill. The day will begin with a tour of the site including community gardens, energy park, global villages and bicycle workshop.

The guest panelists are David Fryer and Cathy McCormack. Professor David Fryer is a community critical psychologist from Charles Sturt University and Cathy McCormack is working class community activist from Scotland. David and Cathy will lead discussion on poverty, inequality and climate change. Cathy is a powerful orator about the links between physically and psychologically unhealthy housing and climate change who has modeled community collaboration between tenants groups, community psychologists and health scientists. She has been able to show that poor housing design and insulation has meant that tenants have been effectively "warming the sky". The discussion will be informal and the aim will be to engage the audience within a participatory environment. Local groups and/or peak bodies who work at the nexus of climate change and social justice will also be represented. These groups will make links between their work and the connections highlighted by David and Cathy, and potential roles and actions for community psychologists who adopt a critical stance will be examined.

## **Proposed Schedule**

Time	Details
11am-12pm	Guided tour of the CERES site
12pm-1pm	Lunch (at café, prices \$12-\$18 or BYO lunch)
1pm-1:10pm	Acknowledgement/Welcome to Country
1:10pm-2:30pm	Session 1
2:30pm-3pm	Afternoon tea
3pm-4:30pm	Session 2
4:30pm-5pm	Closing comments

For more information or to register your interest, please contact:-

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