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Welcome to Endpoint!

Take a break ☕

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From the Editor

Hello and welcome to the first edition of Endpoint for 2022! I feel as if the year is evaporating before my eyes - it's hard to believe we are already past the halfway mark.

Based on the positive feedback from the last edition of Endpoint, I am keeping the publication in its online format. This issue is packed with updates from our regional representatives, student and award winner profiles, puppy spam and a [special article](#) about our very own Dr Graeme Batley AM!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this issue. As per usual, the newsletter will be available for you to download at anytime from the SETAC AU website. Please get in touch if you have anything of interest to share with the wider SETAC AU community!

Enjoy reading Endpoint and see you (virtually) at the SETAC AP conference!

Cheers,
Sarah McDonald

Communications Officer



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Regional Reports

What have the members of SETAC AU been up to?

Click [here](#) to read reports from our regional representatives around Australia and Aotearoa/New Zealand.



President's Report

Read the latest report from the SETAC AU President **Dr Kathryn Hassell** [here](#)!

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Call for papers

All SETAC AU members are invited to submit new manuscripts

For more information visit the SETAC AU website or contact Editor Reinier Mann
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Events

8th July: SETAC AP 2022 conference [early bird registration](#) closes

21st July: [Register here](#) for the July EnviSMART seminar

27th July, 10th August and 24th August: [Register here](#) for the Indo-Pacific Partnership on Marine Ecology Masterclass series

27 - 29th July: [Register here](#) for the SCAR 2022 Virtual Conference

5 - 8th September: [Register here](#) for the SETAC Asia-Pacific 2022 Conference

14 - 17th February 2023: Keep up to date with the upcoming 2023 eDNA Conference [here](#)

Save the date

10 - 11th October: Canberra Environment and Soils Short Course: Soil Assessment, Geology and Groundwater

Opportunities

17th July: Research Scientist in Marine Biogeochemistry at AIMS Perth (WA). More information [here](#)

Ongoing: Multiple PhD opportunities with Queensland Alliance for Environmental Health Sciences (QAEHS). Read more [here](#)

[View more opportunities](#)

Member shout-outs

Dr Graeme Batley awarded Member of the Order of Australia (AM)

Congratulations to Dr Graeme Batley, long-term and much loved SETAC Member who was awarded the Member of the Order of Australia (AM) this year for services to 'environmental toxicology and environmental science'.

You can read about Graeme's career highlights and his varied roles with SETAC in an article that can be found on the SETAC AU website [here](#).

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Graeme accepting his award from NSW Governor Margaret Beazley in May 2022

Student submissions and graduations

Steven Doherty (UNE)

Francis Spilsbury (Curtin)

Drew Szabo (UniMleeb)

Successful grants, scholarships and prizes

Jalene Nalbant (Australian National University) Mercury Australia Symposium best student presentation

Darren Koppel (Curtin University/AIMS) Mercury Australia Symposium best post-graduate presentation

Danielle Hill (Griffith University/ANSTO) Fulbright Future Scholarship

🎉 Please send through your achievements (big or small) so we can celebrate with you! 🎉

A banner for the SETAC 2022 Asia Pacific Conference. The text "SETAC 2022" is in large blue letters, and "Asia Pacific Conference" is in purple letters below it. The background features a green and blue geometric pattern with a white arrow pointing right.

SETAC 2022

Asia Pacific Conference

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Translate ▼](#)**ALEC EnviSmart Seminar Series**

The Australian Laboratory for Emerging Contaminants (ALEC) continues to offer monthly seminars featuring a keynote speaker. Students are also encouraged to present at EnviSMART meetings and will be offered 15-minute platform presentations to be held after the keynote address. Please contact us at ALEC-Chemistry@unimelb.edu.au to register your interest.

11th Annual Young Environmental Scientists Meeting

The YES2022 meeting was hosted earlier this year by the Asia Pacific Student Advisory Council who did a great job bringing students and early career researchers from all time zones together. You can check out highlights from the meeting [here](#).

SETAC AU Photo Competition

More details will be coming soon but we are very excited to be hosting a photo competition for all SETAC AU members this year. There will be student specific prizes so keep an eye out for the announcement email and have your cameras ready!

Danielle Hill

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Student Profile

with Thayanne Barros

Click [here](#) to learn all about Thay and her PhD research into the effects of bushfire disturbance on estuaries

Current SETAC Award Winners



Drew Szabo wins the 2022 SETAC AU Postgraduate Research Publication Award

Read about it [here](#)



Subharthe Samandra wins the 2022 Thesis Prize

Read [Subharthe's](#) recent research [here](#)

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Australian Government Amrit Mahotsav

Project on
INDO-PACIFIC
Partnerships on Marine Ecology
under Australia India Indo-Pacific
Oceans Initiative Partnership (AIPOIP)

**Series of Masterclasses on
Plastic Waste Management**

Masterclass-I	Masterclass-II	Masterclass-III
27 July, 2022	10 August, 2022	24 August, 2022
1000 hrs-1200 hrs (IST)/ 1430 hrs-1630 hrs (AEST)	1000 hrs-1200 hrs (IST)/ 1430 hrs-1630 hrs (AEST)	1000 hrs-1200 hrs (IST)/ 1430 hrs-1630 hrs (AEST)

<https://registrations.ficci.com/inpame/registration.asp>

Partners
Southern Cross University Pacific Islands Development Forum

Indo-Pacific Partnership on Marine Ecology Australia India Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative Partnership

Masterclass series on Plastic Waste Management.

Everyone is welcome to attend and registration is **FREE**.

Master class 1: Source reduction -Creating behavioural change using incentives and penalties for producers and consumers of plastic, focussing on minimisation of single use plastics, use of alternative materials, reuse technologies, light weighting in manufacturing, policies and incentive schemes.

Master class 2: Infrastructure and Networks - Circular network chains for repurposing and end-of-life recyclability, waste containment, transport hubs and nodes and creating cost efficiencies in local economies

Master class 3: Standardising approaches for measuring success -Development of standard marine environment assessment approaches for comparative assessment between sites for targeting and measuring success of on ground works, including measuring volumes, ages and origins of plastics debris and discussion on policies and action plan developments according to relevant international requirements that would be integrated to the national waste management policies and regulations.

Register here

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EnviSMART

EnviSMART hosted by the Australian Laboratory for Emerging Contaminants (ALEC) and sponsored by SETAC AU. The next EnviSMART guest speaker is **Dr Jenny Stauber**, Chief Research Scientist with CSIRO Land and Water. Jenny is presenting research on the 'Development of an Environmental Risk Framework for Deep-Sea Mine Tailing Placement (DSTP)'.

This event will be held online on **Thursday 21st of July**. As always, the seminar is **free** and open to all to attend! Keep up to date with upcoming seminars [here](#).

Register for EnviSMART here



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More membership information here



SETAC-AU Puppy Spam

Shelley Templeman and Chris Williams will be welcoming their new pup Jeanie (far right) in a couple of weeks!

Send through pics of your pups for the next Endpoint to sarah.mcdonald@jcu.edu.au



Click here for more puppies!



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