BCEC | TRC SYMPOSIUM
GROWING THE ASIAN MARKET for tourism in Western Australia

PROGRAM
Monday 25 June 2018
8.30am to 2.30pm
Council Chambers
Curtin University

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About the Tourism Research Cluster

The Tourism Research Cluster (TRC) increases Curtin’s tourism research capability by providing a framework for the skills, expertise and resources of researchers to be shared, increasing opportunities for collaboration and building on the strengths of Curtin’s well-established multidisciplinary approach to tourism research.

TRC offers members the chance to meet and network with tourism experts worldwide, share ideas and explore collaborative opportunities. We welcome new members to join TRC’s pool of knowledge and expertise from which to source targeted and innovative solutions.
About the Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre

The Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre is an independent economic and social research organisation located within the Curtin Business School at Curtin University.

The Centre was established in 2012 through the generous support of Bankwest, a division of the Commonwealth Bank of Australia. The Centre’s core mission is to deliver high quality, accessible research that enhances our understanding of key economic and social issues that contribute to the wellbeing of West Australian families, businesses and communities.
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Professor Kirsten Holmes
Professor, School of Marketing
Dean of Research, Faculty of Business and Law, Curtin University

Professor Kirsten Holmes is an internationally-recognised expert in the study of volunteering, particularly in events, leisure, sport and tourism contexts. She also has expertise in developing sustainable events and festivals and is the lead author of the Routledge textbook *Events and Sustainability* (2015).

Kirsten has taught at universities in Australia and the UK and has conducted research across 15 countries. She has published more than 60 peer reviewed papers in leading journals including *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, Annals of Tourism Research, Tourism Management, Leisure Sciences* and *Voluntas*.

Kirsten’s research has been funded by the Australian Research Council, the Australian Government’s Office for Learning and Teaching, the UK Government and the International Olympic Committee.

Kirsten is regularly invited to work with industry and government, particularly the not-for-profit sector.

Professor Nigel de Bussy
Pro Vice-Chancellor
Faculty of Business and Law, Curtin University

Professor Nigel de Bussy is Pro Vice-Chancellor of the Faculty of Business and Law at Curtin University. Nigel holds a PhD from Curtin University and an MA from The Queen’s College, Oxford.

He is a Fellow of both the Public Relations Institute of Australia and the Australian Marketing Institute, and a Certified Practising Marketer. Nigel joined CBS as a lecturer in public relations in 1994 and was Head of the School of Marketing from 2012 to 2017. Before joining Curtin, Nigel spent more than a decade as a public relations professional in the UK and Australia. His research has been published in a number of leading journals in the fields of public relations, communication management and marketing communications.
Hon. Paul Papalia MLA
Minister for Tourism; Racing and Gaming; Small Business; Defence Issues; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests

Paul Papalia was born in Bunbury and raised in the small south west town of Burekup.

He entered the Royal Australian Navy and served in the military for 26 years, commanding a Clearance Diving Team, a navy patrol boat and the Navy’s submarine escape and rescue service. Paul served in the counter terrorist squadron of the Special Air Service Regiment and was deployed on operations to Iraq on two occasions. He was awarded the Conspicuous Service Cross and Commendations from both the Land and Maritime Commanders.

Paul was first elected to the seat of Peel in February 2007, to the new seat of Warnbro in 2008 and subsequently re-elected in 2013 and 2017. Paul has served as Shadow Minister for Tourism, Corrective Services and Defence Issues.

In March 2017, Paul was appointed as Minister for Tourism; Racing and Gaming; Small Business; Defence Issues; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests in the McGowan Government.

Over the past 12 months, Paul has focused on the delivery of the Government’s pledge to create jobs for Western Australians and diversify our economy by increasing interstate and international visitation.

He is overseeing the investment of $425 million over the next 5 years to enhance destination and events marketing, leading campaigns that position Western Australia as the alternative gateway to Australia in key markets and attracting major events that encourage people to explore our extraordinary State. He is actively pursuing airlines to increase direct flights to Perth and is spreading the message that Western Australia is a high quality, affordable destination for business and leisure travellers, international students and their families.
Professor Dr. Wolfgang Georg Arlt
Director
China Outbound Tourism Research Institute, Germany

Professor Dr Wolfgang Georg Arlt is the Founder and Director of China Outbound Tourism Research Institute (COTRI), based in Germany and China. Professor Dr Arlt has been visiting China since the 1970s and has more than 30 years’ experience working with China’s tourism industry, both as a former tour operator and as a researcher and consultant. Professor Dr Arlt is currently a professor of international tourism management at the West Coast University of Applied Sciences, Germany and a visiting professor at universities in China, UK and New Zealand.

Professor Dr Arlt has published a number of books and articles about China’s outbound tourism. He is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society, Royal Asiatic Society and International Association of China Tourism Studies, Vice-President (Western Europe) of the International Tourism Studies Association, a Research Fellow for the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science and a Board Member of the Pacific Asia Travel Association. In 2017, he became a member of the UN World Tourism Organization Tourism Experts Panel.

Dr Jianhong (Cecilia) Xia
Associate Professor, School of Earth and Planetary Sciences
Curtin University

Dr Jianhong (Cecilia) Xia is an Associate Professor at the School of Earth and Planetary Sciences at Curtin University. Cecilia has over 15 years’ experience as a Geographic Information System (GIS) educator and spatial analyst and modeller. She has also worked as a transport geographer with a range of research experiences in relation to tourism, public transport development, driving, spatial navigation and wayfinding and human mobility.

Cecilia has published 70 peer-reviewed journal and conference papers, and book chapters. Cecilia has been awarded more than $1 million dollars in research grants from government agencies, industries and the Australian Research Council since 2005. She has been recognised with the Surveying & Spatial Sciences Institute WA’s Education Development Award (WA Spatial Excellence Awards) in 2013, and the Curtin University Faculty of Science and Engineering’s Excellence and Innovation in Teaching Award in 2012.
**Associate Professor Christof Pforr**  
*School of Marketing, Curtin University*

Associate Professor Christof Pforr is Discipline Leader (Tourism, Hospitality, & Events) and Course Coordinator for Tourism & Hospitality at the School of Marketing, Curtin University and Member of the Executive of the Curtin Business School Tourism Research Cluster.

Reflecting his academic background, which spans across tourism management, geography, political science and history, Associate Professor Pforr’s past and current research is inter- and multi-disciplinary. In essence, his activities have concentrated on four interconnected research areas: sustainability, tourism public policy, destination governance and health tourism.

Associate Professor Pforr has contributed to more than 100 publications and numerous international and national research projects, and has been a Visiting Professor at a number of international universities.

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**Dr Michael Volgger**  
*Senior Research Fellow, School of Marketing, Curtin University*

Dr Michael Volgger is currently a Senior Research Fellow at Curtin University’s School of Marketing and is Co-Director of its Tourism Research Cluster. Michael is also an Adjunct Research Fellow to the Center for Advanced Studies at the European Academy Bozen/Bolzano in Italy.

Michael has extensive international research experience and has conducted several applied research projects in Australian and European tourism destinations. His main areas of expertise include tourism destination governance and regional development, product development and innovation in tourism, as well as inter-organisational cooperation.
**Associate Professor Vanessa Ann Quintal**  
**School of Marketing, Curtin University**

Vanessa Ann Quintal is an Associate Professor at the School of Marketing at Curtin University. Her practitioner experience includes marketing management in the meetings, hotels, food, fashion, entertainment and travel sectors in Singapore, Australia, Hong Kong and Malaysia. Vanessa has coordinated and taught undergraduate and postgraduate courses in international and tourism marketing since 2002.

Vanessa’s research interests include cross-cultural consumer behaviour in tourism, retail, banking and education. Her work has been published in leading journals including *Tourism Management*, *International Journal of Tourism Research*, *Tourism Analysis*, *Journal of Vacation Marketing*, *Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Research*, *Event Management*, *Marketing and Intelligence Planning* and the *Asia Pacific Journal of Marketing and Logistics*. Recently, she was presented with the Tourism Management 2018 Outstanding Contribution in Reviewing Award and was the recipient of the Unibank 2017 Best Postgraduate Lecturer (Marketing) Award.

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**Dr Lesley Crowe-Delaney**  
**Research Fellow**  
**Curtin University Sustainability Policy Institute, Curtin University**

Dr Lesley Crowe-Delaney is a Research Fellow in the Curtin University Sustainability Policy Institute. Lesley holds a BA in Asian Studies and Geography, a Geography honours degree researching Comparative Coastal Hazardous Storage in WA and Japan, a Graduate Diploma in Education, and a PhD on ‘Tourism and Coastal Development in Japan’ at Curtin University completed mostly while rearing her family.

Co-author and sole presenter of the Ritsumeikan Student Tourism Summit’s Mission Statement 2005 to an international delegation including then Prime Minister of Japan Junichiro Koizumi, Lesley’s career spans executive consultancy in Australasian tourism and hospitality, and in education and training in Australia and Japan. She authored several publications and research projects in 2017: filmic tourism in Japan (2018), Hainan tourism development, online travel diaries of Chinese tourists, and the BCEC-funded project on Chinese traveller behaviour in WA alongside Associate Professor Jianhong (Cecilia) Xia, whom she has also worked with on transport projects. Recently being welcomed into the Science and Engineering Council of Teaching and Learning at Curtin, Lesley will also present at geography conferences in New Zealand, Quebec and Guangzhou. In 2017, Palgrave Macmillan contracted Lesley to write her book on *Tourism Coastal Development in Japan*. 
Ms Lisa Shreeve
Chief Executive Officer
Busselton Jetty

Lisa Shreeve has been the CEO of the Busselton Jetty for the past three years, having previously been employed in the transport, mining, media and government sectors. A former Olympic torch bearer, Young Australian of the Year finalist, Telstra Small Business Award finalist and State and National Leadership program alumni, it has been Lisa’s task to reinvigorate the 153 year old Busselton Jetty to meet current social, economic and environmental needs.

Lisa has a Masters in Regional Development and with her outside-the-box thinking and energy has inspired the board and staff at the Busselton Jetty to think big. Using various business analysis methods to build on the Jetty’s comparative advantage, visitor numbers have grown under Lisa’s leadership to more than 500,000 per year. Asian visitor numbers are up by nearly 15% over the past two years with very strong increases in numbers from Singapore, Malaysia and China. Lisa’s goal is to make sure the Jetty is a bucket list item for international tourists to tick off when they visit Australia. The Busselton Jetty has been a WA Tourism Awards finalist for the past three years.

Ms Zorana Soldat
PhD Candidate, School of Marketing
Curtin University

Zorana Soldat is a PhD candidate in the School of Marketing at Curtin University. Zorana has several years of practitioner experience in sales and marketing in the biotech industry. Currently, she is a sessional academic at Curtin University, teaching undergraduate units in marketing and international marketing.

Zorana has led and conducted various research projects with community-based clients such as Araluen Botanic Park and the City of Armadale. She has co-authored articles in reputable publications including the International Journal of Wine Business Research. Her current research interests focus on hedonic consumption in tourism and leisure contexts.
Mr Yan Lyu
Liaison Officer
Bunbury-Jiaxing Business Office

Yan Lyu is the Liaison Officer at the Bunbury-Jiaxing Business Office, a joint initiative of the South West Development Commission, Regional Development Australia - South West, City of Bunbury and Edith Cowan University. The office provides business advisory services and private industry support to regional businesses in the areas of promoting trade, culture and education between the South West region and China.

As the Liaison Officer, Yan provides consultation services to regional governments, the education sector, tourism organisations, hospitality companies and the aviation industry including translation and interpreting as well as introducing Chinese business practices, etiquette and customs.

Before migrating to Australia, Yan worked at the Beijing Municipal Government and Beijing Shijingshan District Government Office for 7 years.

Professor Alan Duncan
Director
Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre, Curtin University

Professor Alan Duncan is Director of the Bankwest Curtin Economics Centre and Bankwest Professor of Economic Policy at Curtin University.

Alan has published widely in academic and policy outlets of the highest international reputation, and was awarded the prestigious Frisch Medal of the Econometric Society in 2000 for a paper published in the world-leading journal, *Econometrica*. His broad range of research interests include: public policy; education, training and childcare; labour market participation; gender equity; and inequality and wellbeing.

Alan completed a DPhil in Economics at the University of York. He has served on senior advisory panels and boards for government and public sector organisations and has given evidence at Federal Senate Committee hearings.