

## Day 1 | Tuesday 24th June 2025

### *Regional Australia's Role in the National Energy Transition*

Time	Session Title	Description/Speakers	Location
8:00AM – 9:00AM	Registration & Networking	Coffee and connection opportunities.	Exhibition Area, Park & Cove, Level 1
9:00AM – 9:45AM	Opening Address	Welcome to NPEC 2025	Macquarie Room, Level 1
9:45AM – 10:30AM	<b>Keynote:</b> Australia's Energy Transition	<b>Tony Wood   Energy Program Director, Grattan Institute</b> How to deliver an ambitious clean energy agenda while engaging regions.	
10:30AM – 11:00AM	<b>Morning Tea</b>		
11:00AM – 12:00PM	<b>Keynote:</b> Unlocking Clean Energy Potential	<b>The Hon. Matt Kean   Chair, Climate Change Authority</b> Recommendations for accelerating Australia's renewable energy deployment.	Macquarie Room, Level 1
12:00PM – 1:00PM	<b>Case Studies in Focus:</b> Gas Futures	<b>Three short talks exploring the role of gas in Australia's renewable future, followed by a 15-minute Q&amp;A from the floor:</b>  <b>Jarrold Irving   General Manager, Renewable Gas and Fuels, LMS Energy</b> Renewable Gas Industry Development: International Lessons for Australian Regional Growth  <b>Paul Purcell   Head of Policy and Advocacy, Australian Pipelines &amp; Gas Association</b> Why Gas Infrastructure Matters in a Renewable World  <b>Jordan McCollum   CEO, Gas Energy Australia</b> Renewable Forms of LPG: A Decarbonisation Choice for Regional Australia	
1:00pm - 2:00pm	<b>Lunch Break</b>		

2:00PM – 2:30PM	<b>Expert Session:</b> Aligning Economic Development and Energy Infrastructure	<b>Joseph O'Brien   Founding Partner, VisIR (RAPAD Power Grid)</b>	Macquarie Room, Level 1	
2:30PM – 3:00PM	<b>Expert Session:</b> The Role of Mining in Renewables	<b>Scott Winter   Managing Director, Critical Minerals Group</b>		
3PM – 3:40PM	<b>Case Studies In Focus:</b> The Future of Wind and Solar	<b>Peter Wheale   CEO, Nextracker Australia, Southeast Asia and New Zealand</b> The Solar Engine: Driving Growth, Jobs and Net-Zero on Home Soil  <b>Michael Brown   Director, Vestas</b> Wind Integration and Innovation  <b>Nicola Semler   Chief Technical Officer, Critical Minerals Group</b> Battery Storage Technologies to Secure Renewable Energy		
3:40PM – 4PM	<b>Case Studies In Focus:</b> Grounded Transitions	<b>Maggie Shelton   Director of Policy, Windlab</b> Integrating Nature-Positive Thinking into Renewable Development - Gawara Baya Case Study		
4:00PM – 5:30PM	<b>Sunset Networking Event</b>			Park & Cove
6:00PM – 9:00PM	<b>VIP Dinner</b>	 <b>nextracker.</b>  <b>Meet the Speakers VIP Dinner</b> Wine tasting followed by a 3 course banquet with matching wines. (Tickets required)		Pucca Restaurant, Noosa River

## Day 2 | Wednesday 25th June 2025

### Leadership In Renewable Energy Alternative

Time	Session Title	Description/Speakers	Location
8:00AM – 9:00AM	Registration & Networking	Coffee and connection opportunities.	Exhibition Area, Park & Cove, Level 1
9:00AM - 9:45AM	<b>Keynote:</b> The Global Energy System Transformation	<b>Tim Buckley   Director, Climate Energy Finance Australasia</b>  China's leadership in zero emissions industries of the future - the risks and opportunities for Regional Australia.	Macquarie Room, Level 1
9:45AM – 10:30AM	<b>Expert Sessions:</b> Clean Energy Transitions and Regional Futures	<b>Simon Currie   Co-Founder &amp; Chief Projects Officer, Energy Estate</b> A Future Made in Regional Australia  <b>Tom Dixon   Regional Community Engagement Manager, RE-Alliance</b> People, Place, Power: The Role of Community in a Clean Future	
10:30AM – 11:00AM	<b>Morning Tea</b>		
11:00AM – 12:00PM	<b>Keynote:</b> Regional Government Leadership in Renewable Energy Initiatives	<b>Scott Muller   Program Manager, Lansdown Eco-Industrial Precinct</b>	Macquarie Room, Level 1
12:00PM – 12:30PM	<b>Expert Session:</b> Quinbrook - Bringing Manufacturing Back to Regional Australia	<b>John Sadler   Senior Director, Private Energy Partners</b> Renewable generation and long duration storage	
12:30PM - 1:00PM	<b>Expert Session:</b> Bringing	<b>Neil Gardner   Executive Manager, JetZero Australia Pty Ltd</b>	

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1:00pm - 2:00pm	<b>Lunch Break</b>		
2:00PM - 3:15PM	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> Renewables in Agriculture	<b>Dr Liz Smith</b>   Agrisolar CRC, NWS Decarbonisation Innovation Hub, Western Sydney University  <b>Warwick Squire</b>   Chief Executive Officer, Coexistence Queensland  <b>James Butcher</b>   Director of Engineering, Nexttracker Australia, Southeast Asia and New Zealand  <b>Wade Blazley</b>   Chief Executive Officer, Solspan Pty Ltd	Macquarie Room, Level 1
3:15PM - 4:00PM	<b>POWER PANEL</b>	Be entertained and enlightened as we bring together our key speakers for a conference finale like no other.	
4:00PM - 7:00PM	<b>Sunset Networking Event</b>		