

00:09:46 Sienna: Hi all - Sienna from The Australia Institute here. Thanks for joining us today. Looking forward to a great webinar!

A little reminder, the chat has options for 'hosts and panellists or 'everyone'. Choose the latter option to participate in the chat with everyone.

Also, use the Q&A function to submit questions for the panel to answer live!

00:10:47 Rosemary Watson: Had a wonderful time in Kiribati in the 1970's we really need to pull out all the stops to protect these beautiful countries.

00:14:36 andrew barty-king: I lived there also during the same period, on Tarawa, Butaritari and Kritimati. The environments are so fragile and entire communities clearly continue to be at risk.

00:17:46 jennifer manson: Certainly there needs to be recognition of each countries contribution to global warming, as without the export of coal, there couldn't be the burning of it.

00:18:02 John Masao Ono: I used to live in Tarawa 11 years ago and seeing the damages and impacts nowadays is terrifying

00:18:07 Mitzi Tuke: ++Jennifer

00:18:36 Sienna: A reminder to please put questions that you would like the panel to answer in the Q&A box, a reminder you can also up vote questions so they are more likely to get asked!

00:22:55 jennifer manson: Great question Ebony!

00:25:37 leon zembekis: Family, big brother - this Australian big brother's national interest will extort in the interests of its big cousins- The Corporations!

00:28:17 jennifer manson: That's an indictment on our former government. No wonder Pacific islands feel neglected or even rejected by us. Hopefully our new government will address this too.

00:28:48 Sienna: Thank you for the Q&A questions, a reminder you can up vote questions so they are more likely to get asked!

00:32:16 Eileen Whitehead: It's vital that the Australian government asserts its power over the fossil fuel companies who have become extremely powerful. Albanese must expose their lies about gas and coal and encourage the use of renewable energies asap.

00:33:54 jennifer manson: We need to extract more from those fossil fuel companies to both feed into climate funds as well as to reimburse Australia for its resources.

00:35:00 Rowan Hayward: If theyre having a COP meeting in Australia, lets push for holding it in Darwin in the build up.

Then the attendees can get a taste of what a warming world is like.

00:35:23 jennifer manson: Ha ha Rowan!

00:35:58 Karen Kirkham: yah right.

00:37:58 leon zembekis: Some Pakistani politicians and activists are calling for reparations from developed capitalist countries like Australia - to pay for the flood damages which have displaced millions of their citizens. Will Island nations, like yours, consider international court claims for reparations from our polluting rulers?

00:39:12 jennifer manson: The LNP has continually talked about our small contributions to emissions and I wonder what the contribution would be if we included the exports as contributing, rather than just the burning.

00:39:49 Lorraine Bull: It would be embarrassing

00:40:41 jennifer manson: Yes. Our contribution per capita is already high and I hate to think where it would be if all contributions were included.

00:40:45 Catherine Moore: Leon, please ask your question in the QandA box so it's not missed

00:41:37 Catherine Moore: Oh good you did

00:43:37 Darryl Fallow: Good point President Tong! Governments have been captured by the entities government are suppose to regulate.

00:45:50 Khurram Shahzad: What is the future of Pakistan if Australian and other nations continue to ignore global warming.

00:47:21 Jossel Ebesate: Good morning everyone!

There is an assessment that this regional forum, and other engagement by Australia, lately, to island countries in the Pacific is only being done now, not for and honest to goodness development of these countries but only to counter the initiatives of China in getting these countries on its sphere of influence

00:48:11 Khurram Shahzad: We being Pakistanis residing in Australia, what are our obligations to protect such incident and how can we exert more pressure on government to reduce burning of fossil and encourage them to invest in renewables.

00:48:31 Judith Gamper: from Judith - it is not only Pakistan though it is now in our eyes. It is all of us, some of us including the Pacific Islands are in real danger earlier.

00:48:52 Mitzi Tuke: 2022 does seem to be the year of global lived experience of climate change/catastrophe.

00:48:59 Khurram Shahzad: How can we create more awareness in our community to raise voice for increasing its obligation to reduce global warming.

00:49:06 jennifer manson: Jossel, that interpretation is logical if you look at the timeline and not the different political leadership.

00:49:16 Catherine Moore: I think that's a bit unfair on the AI - it has been hosting fora like this since before the "China threat"

00:49:30 Darryl Fallow: +++ Judith. Pakistan is only the beginning - unfortunately. We need to act with urgency ... it is up there in 'red lights'

00:50:50 Joyce Fu: Reply to Jossel Ebesate, time will tell how serious Australia is about combating climate change and helping our Pacific neighbours.

00:52:23 Tom Swann: Australia's fossil fuel subsidies are over \$10bn a year. Australia's overseas aid budget is less than \$4.5bn a year. obviously this needs to change.

00:52:42 jennifer manson: Wonderful to hear these presidents sharing their perspective and knowledge of how things work!

00:53:37 Darryl Fallow: ++Jennifer - Great wisdom in what is being discussed here today. We should learn from this.

00:53:46 Grace Mannings: + Tom, especially when the funding to prop up fossil fuels could be spent in renewable investments.

00:54:35 jennifer manson: Agreed Tom!

00:58:10 Alan Isherwood: power to change a profit driven system must come from the people.

00:58:37 Judith Gamper: from Judith - thank you for such real ideas and answers.

00:59:08 Jossel Ebesate: Yes, perhaps not AI, but the Australian government seemed to have sporadic engagement with these countries, not necessarily for mutual benefits. And only appear to be more engaged now - now that China is gaining on trade and other engagement with these Pacific island-countries. Hopefully engagement this time would be lasting, and for an inclusive development.

00:59:29 Paula Cirikiyasawa: 🙌

00:59:35 Catherine Moore: Agree Jossel

00:59:56 Joyce Fu: Agreed Jossel. Thank you.

01:01:44 jennifer manson: Yes Jossel. Hopefully engagement with our neighbours will focus on what's good for the entire region, rather than what's good for Woodside or other such organisations.

01:01:56 Paula Cirikiyasawa: 🙌

01:03:13 andrew barty-king: Really excellent conversations on such prescient topics. +++ for Jennifer's comment above..

01:03:35 Hazel Roberts: This webinar should be mandatory viewing for all Federal and State politicians, all local Councillors, and all the companies, including banks and superannuation funds, that keep financially supporting the fossil fuel industry. Thank you to everyone involved in making this webinar this morning possible. :)

01:04:04 andrew barty-king: 🙌

01:04:05 Mitzi Tuke: +++Jennifer and Hazel

01:04:33 Catherine Moore: Yes, please send the recording to the government AI!

01:04:45 Darryl Fallow: Agree - a really excellent conversation. Thanks to TAI for hosting - Agree with Hazel and Jennifer's comments!

01:04:57 John Masao Ono: Will this Webinar be uploaded somewhere ?Incase we can rewatch it

01:05:10 Sienna: Thanks to all for joining us today and for participating in a fascinating discussion! For details about upcoming webinars and to register head to <https://australiainstitute.org.au/events/webinars/>

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Thanks again for joining us – and enjoy the rest of your day!

01:05:34 Mitzi Tuke: and also the Resources Minister, who backs gas and exploration for new fossil fuel projects

01:05:46 elizabeth moloney: so grateful, hopefully this webinar can be available to others.

01:05:55 jennifer manson: A fabulous webinar that expands our knowledge and perspectives! Just wonderful!!

01:05:58 Ioannis Tsiavos: It seems like industrial action could be influential in getting corporations to act responsibly regarding the climate

01:06:26 Alan Isherwood: inspiring webinar thanks

01:06:29 Jossel Ebesate: Thank you everyone. We all grow in a liberal democratic order. I would not think how we could live in peace, freedom and prosperity if the world is overtaken by ultra nationalists, fascists or autocrats

01:06:48 Alan Isherwood: Alan isherwood

01:07:07 Ciaran McCormack: Thanks a million Presidents Tong and Remengesau and Pacific Elders Voices for today and your ongoing climate leadership on the regional and global stages. Also to the Australia Institute and Edmund Rice Centre for facilitating this important dialogue.

01:07:09 Anne Picard-Drew: Thanks so much

01:07:11 jennifer manson: Thankyou all. Thanks to TAI for these webinars

01:07:13 Lynette Saville: Thank you for the excellent and timely Forum to discuss regional matters

01:07:16 Mitzi Tuke: thank you

01:07:16 Grace Mannings: Thank you everyone! Great webinar

01:07:18 Ioannis Tsiavos: Thank you!

01:07:19 Paula Cirikiyasawa: 🙌

01:07:20 Rose Kulak: thank you so much!!

01:07:24 Meredith Alexander: Thank you

01:07:35 jennifer manson: Thankyou Presidents!

01:07:36 Gareth Daniels: well done

01:07:39 Bella Anis: Thank you so much for informative session