

Supporting Earth Friendly Organisations Law and Governance ‘Start-up and Tune-up’ Clinic

1 Day Inter-active Workshop — Brisbane, Friday 26 June, 9am to 5pm
Maida Lilley Community Centre, 1/5 Green Square Close, Fortitude Valley 4006



Building sustainable communities by supporting Earth friendly organisations

Our local communities are full of amazing people and organisations who work hard to support people and planet. AELA is pleased to host our second annual “Law and Governance Clinic” and networking day for Earth friendly organisations in Brisbane and South East Queensland. The aim of our clinic is to strengthen Earth friendly organisations, by helping them connect with legal, governance and other expertise.

Whether you’re thinking of starting up your own organization or project, or have been running a community organization or social enterprise for decades, please join us for a relaxed, fun and informative day. We’ll be focusing on the legal and governance issues that are critical to running great organisations and achieving our goals. We’ll also be aiming to build new conversations and networks about the sharing economy. We have a range of great speakers, as well as roundtable and open space discussions.

TRANSPORT AND OTHER DETAILS

The Maida Lilley Community Centre is a 2 minute walk from Fortitude Valley Train Station, and a 1 minute walk from Secure Parking at Brunswick St Mall, 230 Brunswick Street, Fortitude Valley 4006. Street parking may also be available nearby.

Tea and coffee will be available, but to keep this event free, other refreshments will not be provided. You're invited to bring your own lunch or purchase it from a nearby cafe.



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WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Everyone who manages or works for a community based NGO or social enterprise aimed at achieving environmental and social objectives

TO BOOK YOUR PLACE:

This workshop is free but **places are limited** - please visit our online booking webpage: <http://www.trybooking.com/HSID>

WORKSHOP THEMES INCLUDE:

- How to choose the best organisational structure
- Building co-operatives and the sharing economy
- How to get DGR status and other handy tax hints
- Insurance issues
- How to manage conflict in your organisation

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8.30-9.00am Registration, tea and coffee

9.00-9.15am Opening remarks and welcome - Michelle Maloney, National Convenor, AELA

9.15 - 9.45am **Structural challenges and resources that can help -**

- Amelia Salmon, Spiral Community Hub

· *Questions and discussions*

9.45- 11.00 **Building Co-operatives and the Sharing Economy**

- AELA's Handbook for Sharing Law and Earth Friendly Governance - An Update - Michelle Maloney, AELA
- Cooperatives in Queensland - Speaker to be confirmed

Open space for discussions with workshop participants about sharing projects in Queensland

11.00-11.30 Morning Tea Break - tea and coffee provided, refreshments can be purchased nearby

11.30-1.00 **Legal Services in South East Queensland**

This session will feature four x 10 minute talks, providing an overview of services and support available to community organisations and social enterprises, followed by roundtable discussions between participants and legal experts

- QPILCH (Qld Public Interest Law Clearing House) - Catherine Browning, QPILCH
- Caxton Legal Centre - Yatarla Clarke, Caxton Legal Centre
- Environmental Defenders Office Queensland - Revel Pointon, EDO Solicitor
- AELA's Legal Café - Michelle Maloney, AELA

1.00-2.00 Lunch break - tea and coffee provided, other refreshments can be purchased at nearby cafes

2.00-3.00 **Legal and governance updates - Insurance and charitable taxation status (DGR, ITEC)**

This session will feature two x 15 minute talks, followed by open space for questions and discussions between legal experts and workshop participants

- Is Insurance really the barrier to community activity that we think it is? Speaker to be confirmed
- An update on DGR, ITEC and other handy taxation issues - Richard Hundt, Solicitor, McCullough Robertson

Questions and discussions with participants

3.00 - 3.30 Afternoon tea - tea and coffee provided, refreshments can be purchased nearby

3.30 - 4.30 **The human side of governance - conflict management and burn-out**

This session will feature two x 15 minute talks, to provide an overview of issues, followed by roundtable discussions between speakers and participants

- Handling conflict in small organisations - Karl Manning, Manning Consultants
- Mediation and the role of third parties - Christine Jones, Lawyer and mediator

4.30 –5.00 **Conclusions and next steps**

Michelle Maloney, AELA



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