

We can cut energy bills for everyone everywhere

And banish energy poverty

Renew Australia For All has called for an initial \$5 billion investment, backed up by \$50 billion over ten years to repower homes and communities everywhere with rooftop solar, batteries, electric appliances and thermal improvements, so that all Australians reap the benefits.

More than 3 million Australian households have already reduced their power bills by installing rooftop solar, saving an average of \$1,390 per year. However, many renters, apartment dwellers, social housing tenants, and those unable to afford the upfront costs have missed out.

“All Australians, whether they're homeowners, apartment-dwellers or renters, should be able to access the benefits of the cheapest delivered energy in the world,” says Dan Cass, Co-Founder of Rewiring Australia.

Renew Australia For All is a new alliance of more than 50 organisations from across faith groups, social services, unions, clean industry, regional communities and climate and environment organisations. The campaign was launched at Parliament House and at the Better Futures Forum.

73 per cent of Australians think Australia will benefit from shifting to renewable energy

71% support the Australian government investing more in renewable energy.

73% support renewables and batteries as the fastest way to lower people's power bills, compared to just 16% for nuclear reactors and 8% for new coal power stations.

These are the key results of a nationally representative poll of 2,004 Australians conducted by 89 Degrees East and released by Renew Australia For All today.

The case for Australia to host COP31 with Pacific neighbours

Also today: Overcoming humanity's big three challenges – climate change, social inequality and premature death and disease. With Planetary Health Equity Hothouse member and Katherine Trebeck, The Next Economy.

Clean industries, manufacturing and exports: how will green hydrogen, green metals, and trade agreements boost Australia's green export potential.

Australia's role in co-hosting COP31, partnering with our Pacific neighbours. An inclusive conversation with Pacific and First Nations, offering insights and opportunities in the lead up to a COP31 in Australia in partnership with the Pacific.

The **Better Futures Forum** (10-11 September) is Australia's largest multi-sectoral gathering on climate. The third forum at Canberra's National Film and Sound Archive will showcase significant strides in community-based climate solutions and share insights on scalable solutions in the global race to net zero. New reports on community energy, export energy, local government and more will be released over the two days.

Full list of speakers at https://www.betterfutures.org.au/full_lineup_2024, and program at https://www.betterfutures.org.au/full_program_2024.

All sessions are open to media. For more information and media accreditation contact: Shelley Thomas, shelley@scienceinpublic.com.au / 0416 377 444 or Niall Byrne, niall@scienceinpublic.com.au / 0417 131 977

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