

INTEREST STATEMENT

Participating in the WAS*IS workshop at Mount Macedon would give me an opportunity to pursue the following interests:

- Integrating socio-biophysical variables in human-environment systems, in this case by extending my experience to include the area of weather and climate.
- Improving the techniques that I am developing to draw out the feedback dynamics of such systems.
- Learning about the problems face by practitioners in the meteorological field in their attempts to communicate information about weather and climate to the wider community.
- Sharing with others my experience of doing integrative projects in socio-biophysical systems.
- Becoming part of an interdisciplinary community of practitioners, researchers and stakeholders engaged in integration of socio-biophysical variables.

Participation in the workshop would provide me with a unique opportunity to develop specific understandings, of how to discuss weather and climate with a wide range of people, that will be important to the Canberra Futures study. The Futures project is being planned by Dr Barry Newell, ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science. The aim is to work with the local community to develop scenarios that describe possible impacts of climate change on the Canberra region.