

Global Link Australia

30 JULY - 1 AUGUST 2025

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WELCOME TO GLOBAL LINK AUSTRALIA







WHAT IS GLOBAL LINK?

Global Link Australia is an engaging educational event that connects schools and students with critical global sustainability challenges through interactive learning experiences and a dynamic competition.



PURPOSE & IMPACT

Our event is designed to address pressing environmental issues, aligning with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) 14: Protect Life Below Water and 15: Protect Life on Land.

Students will delve into these goals and explore how their actions can make a real difference in global conservation efforts.







BENEFITS FOR STUDENTS



PROJECT-BASED LEARNING

Dive into real-world sustainability challenges with practical, problem-solving activities.



HONE VALUABLE SKILLS

Develop leadership, teamwork, critical-thinking and presentation skills. Students work together to tackle significant issues, through discussing and exchanging opinions.



GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

Enhance understanding of environmental stewardship and global sustainability and meet new friends who gather from around the world.



THE COMPETITION

Teams from participating schools will compete by presenting innovative solutions to a real-world sustainability challenge. This encourages students to research and analyse environmental issues and develop and pitch actionable solutions, showcasing their findings to a panel of judges.

BE PART OF THIS IMPACTFUL EXPERIENCE & EMPOWER YOUR STUDENTS TO LEAD IN SUSTAINABILITY!

Sign up for Global Link Australia, and inspire your students to become the change-makers of tomorrow. Read on to find out more.



COMPETITION JUDGING CRITERIA

THE BRIEF:

Tackle and solve a real-world sustainability challenge. The issue can be in your school, local area or community, or on a state, national or global level. The sky's the limit!

Junior and senior schools will be judged on the below criteria:

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION
SUBSTANTIATION OF IDEAS	 The issue is clearly identified and well-focused. Main ideas are thoroughly supported with relevant details and examples.
CREATIVITY	 The ideas presented are insightful and/or innovative. The ideas have the potential for significant impact.
ANALYSIS & EVALUATION OF IDEAS	 Ideas are thoroughly analysed and evaluated. There is an attempt to collect data or test claims. The ideas flow logically and are coherent. Inferences are effectively drawn.
ORGANISATION OF IDEAS	- Ideas are coherently presented and well-organised.
PRESENTATION	 The speaker(s) is clear, fluent, and able to effectively summarise key project points. There is a demonstrated degree of independence in conducting the project. The potential impact on science, society, and/or economics is recognised. The ideas for further research are of a high quality. There is a maximum of 4 students presenting on stage. Junior students should present for 5 minutes, and senior students present for 10 minutes.
QUESTION & ANSWER	 Demonstrate clear, relevant and thoughtful responses to questions. Junior students will have a 3 minute Q&A discussion with judges and senior students will have a 5 minute discussion.









EXAMPLE ITINERARY



WEDNESDAY, 30TH JULY 2025	TIME	JUNIOR STUDENTS	TIME	SENIOR STUDENTS
	6:30am	Arrival at Tangalooma Wharf for registration and check-in		
	7:30am	Launch Departs Brisbane for Tangalooma		
	8:45am	Arrival at Tangalooma	9:00am	Arrival at Tangalooma Wharf for Registration and Check-in
쿺	9:30am - 9:45am	Opening Ceremony Commences		
JULY 2025 —	9:45am - 11:45am	Junior Student Presentations Commence	10:00am	Launch Departs Brisbane for Tangalooma
	10:35am - 10:55am	Morning Tea Served		
		Junior Student Presentations Continue	11:15am	Arrival at Tangalooma
	12:00pm - 12:45pm	Lunch Served	11:45am - 12:45pm	Lunch Served
	1:00pm - 2:15pm	Tanga Eco Challenge	1:00pm - 1:15pm	Day 1 Opening Ceremony Commences
	2:30pm - 3:30pm	Educational Presentation & Tree Planting	1:15pm - 4:15pm	Senior Student Presentations Commence
	3:45pm - 4:15pm	Afternoon Tea Served	2:30pm - 2:50pm	Afternoon Tea Served
	4:30pm - 4:45pm	Award Ceremony		Senior Student Presentations Continue
	4:45pm - 5:00pm	Group Photo	4:15pm - 5:30pm	Tanga Eco Challenge
	5:00pm	Check-in to Accommodation	5:30pm	Check-in to Accommodation
	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Welcome Dinner	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Welcome Dinner

THURSDAY, 31ST JULY 202	TIME	JUNIOR STUDENTS	TIME	SENIOR STUDENTS
	FROM 7:00am	Buffet Breakfast	FROM 7:00am	Buffet Breakfast
			8:45am	Day 2 Opening Ceremony Commences
	9:00am - 10:45am	Desert Safari	9:00am - 12:00pm	Senior Student Presentations Commence
ST	11:00am - 11:15am	Morning Tea	10:15am - 10:35am	Morning Tea Served
JULY				Senior Student Presentations Continue
2025 ————	12:15am - 1:00pm	Lunch Served	12:00pm - 12:45pm	Lunch Served
	1:00pm - 2:00pm	Bush Tucker Walk	12:45pm - 2:00pm	Educational Team Building
	2:00pm - 3:00pm	Shipwreck Cruise & Fish Feeding	2:00pm - 2:45pm	Presentation Summary Session
			2:45pm - 3:05pm	Afternoon Tea Served
	3:15pm - 3:30pm	Afternoon Tea	3:10pm - 3:45pm	Award Ceremony
			3:45pm - 4:00pm	Group Photo
	5:45pm - 6:45pm	Dolphin Feeding	5:45pm - 6:45pm	Dolphin Feeding
	7:15pm - 9:00pm	Farewell Dinner	7:15pm - 9:00pm	Farewell Dinner

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FRIDAY,	FROM 7:00am	Buffet Breakfast	FROM 7:00am	Buffet Breakfast
AY,	7:30am	Luggage to be left Outside Rooms		
1ST AUGUST 2025	9:00am	Guests to make their way to Jetty to collect Boarding Passes	9:00am	Luggage to be left Outside Rooms
AUC	9:30am	Launch Departs Tangalooma	9:00am - 10:45am	Desert Safari
SNE	10:45am	Launch Arrives in Brisbane		
T 2			11:15am - 12:15pm	Bush Tucker Walk
025			12:15pm - 1:15pm	Lunch Served
J.			2:00pm - 3:00pm	Shipwreck Cruise & Fish Feeding
			3:15pm - 3:30pm	Afternoon Tea Served
			3:30pm	Guests to make their way to Jetty to collect Boarding Passes
			4:00pm	Launch Departs Tangalooma
			5:15pm	Launch Arrives in Brisbane

MEET THE JUDGES FROM 2024



DIANNE AYLWARD

Di is the proud principal of Moreton Bay Environmental Education Centre (EEC) and a committed and passionate educator continually striving for innovative ways to engage students, teachers and the broader community. She was the recipient of the Queensland College of Teachers award for Excellent Leadership in Teaching and Learning. Under her leadership, Moreton Bay EEC, along with treasured partners, received the Department of Education Showcase Award for the Leadership Team of the Year and Excellence in Industry Partnerships, Peter Doherty STEM Award and the Healthy Land and Water Sustainable Education Award.





DR DAVID NEIL

David holds a PhD in Applied Geomorphology from the Australian National University and a Master of Social Science from the University of Queensland (UQ). He taught and researched in the field of 'coastal processes and management', and 'human/environment interactions at the coast' (1991-2015). He was also Director of the Geography & Environmental Management Program at UQ (2003-2011). He has authored or co-authored around 75 refereed publications and has over 190 other contributions (conference papers, reports, etc.). He's also conducted research and/or delivered field courses in Antarctica, Australia (including the Great Barrier Reef and coastal South East Queensland), Hong Kong, Italy, Southwest Pacific, Cambodia and Vietnam.



DR JAMES UDY

James has over 30 years' experience undertaking marine based scientific fieldwork. He is passionate about finding ways for citizen scientists to enhance data collection alongside trained professionals, improving decision-making for environmental managers. For the past 6 years, through Science Under Sail, he has been collecting marine habitat data throughout Queensland (Moreton Bay & GBRWHA) to inform and support the management of Marine Parks. All data has been collected to a professional standard using citizen scientists working under the supervision of trained marine scientists and will contribute to national databases



TREVOR HASSARD

Following studies in Zoology, Trevor started working at Tangalooma in the early 1990s, initially working at the nightly wild dolphin feed before founding what is now known as the Eco Centre in 1997. He has been instrumental in the success of the wild dolphin feeding program across 30 years. Trevor started Tangalooma's marine education program, educating students from schools across Australia and all over the world, hosting student groups and facilitating a number of environmental programs at the resort. Trevor was formerly the Director of Marine Education and Programs at Tangalooma and worked with scientists internationally to develop the world's leading Dolphin Provisioning Program, which it remains today.



EXAMPLE PRESENTATION TOPICS 2024

JUNIOR STUDENTS



"Establishing a Rooftop Ecological Circulation Farm to Reduce School Lunch Waste"

> HANGZHOU WAHAHA BILINGUAL SCHOOL, CHINA



"Our Waterways"

CANNON HILL ANGLICAN COLLEGE, AUSTRALIA



"Waste Warriors - Litter on our Land"

JAMBOREE HEIGHTS STATE SCHOOL, AUSTRALIA







SENIOR STUDENTS



"Protecting Our Communities from Flooding in Thailand"

BANGKOK CHRISTIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL, THAILAND



"Possible serious effects on Sunscreen ingredient Benzophenone on Freshwater Ecosystems Ecology"

> **JUNTEN SENIOR** HIGH SCHOOL, JAPAN



"Lack of Sustainable Framework in Schools"

A. B. PATERSON COLLEGE, AUSTRALIA



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Please get in touch with Melissa Hermes at education@tangalooma.com or +61 7 3637 2160 if you have any questions or if you would like to register.







