

INDEPENDENT INQUIRY INTO PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN SYDNEY - LESSONS FOR MELBOURNE

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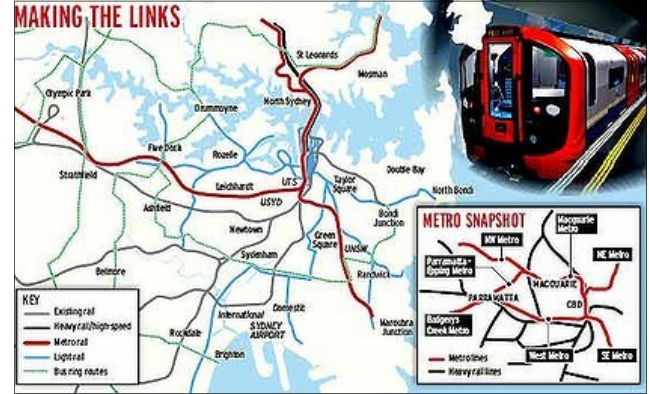


Speaker:
Dr Garry Glazebrook, MPIA

Date:
Wednesday 3 February 2010

Time:
12:15pm for 12:30pm - 2:00pm

Location:
**Department of Transport,
Level 5, 121 Exhibition Street,
Melbourne**



In August 2009 the *Sydney Morning Herald* launched a public inquiry into the city's transport needs. Its objective was to gauge public opinions and suggestions as the paper believed that Sydney was missing out on federal infrastructure funding and that the city's consumers were paying the price - in frustration, lost time and economic opportunities forgone, because of this lack of state government vision.

The SMH proposed to lift the process above party politics and produce a 30-year plan that allowed Sydney to make the right decisions no matter who is in power.

The inquiry acted as a full commission, starting with public submissions and public hearings. Its scope included all aspects of how public transport services can come together as an integrated network for the future. It evaluated options against economic, social and environment goals. Its findings are required to have a sustainable funding model.

To view the comprehensive SMH coverage of this issue visit: www.smh.com.au/national/transport

In response to the SMH independent inquiry, **Dr Garry Glazebrook**, of the University of Technology, one of Sydney's leading transport and land-use planners, has proposed a 30 year, \$40 billion blueprint to address the cities transport dilemma.

Dr Glazebrook's plan, links the city's heavy rail, light rail and buses in one network, it includes an extensive system of new, mostly underground, Metro trains.

Dr Glazebrook is a senior lecturer in Urban Planning at the UTS, and has 30 years' experience in transport and urban planning consulting, and policy development. He occasionally gets obsessed about peak oil, climate change, and sustainable transport.

The seminar will include lunch and light refreshments

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