

Distinguished Lecturer Series

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Biography

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Dr Justine Lacey is a Principal Research Scientist with CSIRO Land & Water, where she currently leads CSIRO's Responsible Innovation Initiative. The Initiative is a \$5.75m research program examining the interface between science, technology innovation and the associated ethical, social and legal consequences of new and disruptive science and technologies. Justine is a philosopher and she holds a PhD in the field of ethics and natural resource management. Her recent research has focused on building our understanding of the 'social licence to operate', and since 2011, she has worked with colleagues at the CSIRO on identifying the drivers of societal acceptance of and trust in a range of contested resource development industries and contexts. This has included examining how social licence, which predominantly emerged in the mining and minerals sector, has subsequently been adopted in a range of other contexts including forestry, agriculture, non-renewable energy production, and conservation and environmental management. She has also researched and published on the role of ethics and trust in science and how science is used in society.