Diary

NB. From the 1st of February 2003 to 1st of November the *In Search of Sustainability Online* conference is being held. A series of Internet meetings will be followed by a face-to-face conference in Canberra in November 2003. **www.isosconference.org.au**

May

3rd

Sun Day, www.unesco.org

5th to 18th

Salt Watch Fortnight, www.qld.waterwatch.org.au

9th to 11th

Sustainable Energy 2003, Brisbane, www.bcse.org.au

18th to 21st

The Hydrogen Economy Conference, Broome, WA, www.hartleymgt.com.au

22nd

International Day for Biological Biodiversity: Mountain Biodiversity, www.biodiv.org/

25th to 28th

Horizons in Livestock Sciences Conference, Brisbane, www.livestockhorizons.com

29th to 30th

2003 National Business Leaders Forum on Sustainable Development, Sydney, www.ecofutures.com

31st

Annual Banksia Environmental Foundation Awards, www.banksiafdn.com/

June

4th to 5th

The 2003 Business and Sustainability Conference, New York, www.conference-board.org

4th to 6th

NSW Waste Management Conference and Expo 2003, www.nswwasteconfer ence.com.au/

5th

World Environment Day

5th to 7th

The 4th Annual Global Conference on Environment Taxation, Sydney, www.law.mq.edu.au/eti/

8th

World Oceans Day

9th to 13th

6th Meeting of the Committee for Environmental Protection under the Antarctic Treaty, Madrid

16th to 19th

International Whaling Commission Meeting, Berlin

17th

World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought, www.unesco.org/

16th to 20th

International Workshop on the governance of High Seas Biodiversity Conservation, Cairns

July

7th to 9th

7th Getting to Know Groundwater, Adelaide, www.groundwater.com

7th to 13th

Students of Sustainability Conference, Adelaide, www.studentsofsustainability.org.au

14th to 17th

MODSIM 2003: Biennial Congress of Modelling and Simulation Society of Australia and New Zealand, Townsville, http://mssanz.cres.anu.edu/ modsim2003.html

24th to 25th

AusWind 2003 Conference, Sydney, admin@auswea.com.au

25th

National Tree Day (schools)

27th

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Green Machines

AUSTRALIAN CARS will be 18% more fuel-efficient by 2010, under a new Voluntary Code of Practice adopted by the Australian automotive industry.

According to the Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries (FCAI), the Code of Practice will establish a fuel efficiency target for new passenger vehicles – to be known as the National Average Fuel Consumption Target – of 6.8 litres per 100 kilometres travelled.

The Australian transport sector accounts for about 20 % of Australia's total greenhouse gas emissions, a figure which is expected to increase.

According to the FCAI the new code will lead to a reduction of up to two million tonnes of greenhouse gases by 2010.

The new code will affect Australian-based manufacturing at Holden, Ford Motor Co., Toyota Corp. and Mitsubishi Corp.

www.autoindustries.com.au www.ea.gov.au

