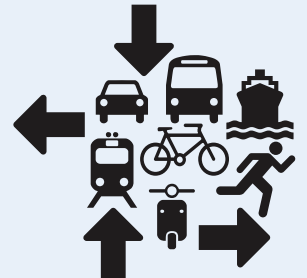




Sydney's Transport – Where's It Going?

For many years now the future of Sydney's transport has been a matter of controversy and complaint, with the inefficiency of the railway system and the continued building of freeways the leading bones of contention. How to handle the interaction of cars, buses, bikes and pedestrians adds to the mix. Several investigations have been made and campaigns run, with those of the Warren Centre and the Sydney Morning Herald quite recent. The groups of transport experts contributing to these reports have failed to persuade the State Government to any clear program of development, so that the title of this seminar is as relevant as it was 20 years ago.



When: Wednesday 25th August

Time: 4.00-7.00pm

Venue: Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts (Mitchell Theatre), 280 Pitt Street

Chairman: Dr Bob Solomon, Chairman AIUS

Speakers:

Matthew Pullinger, Principal, architect and urban designer with Hassell

"Sydney by Design"

Sydney has a long heritage of design-based visions for the future, but in recent times has drifted away from bold visions toward what we now call planning. The speaker pleads for a return to design thinking at city scale and, drawing on his experience of designing urban centres, offers examples of how that might be achieved.

Chris Stapleton, Transport planner, ST&P

"Getting the Best Return on Transport Investment"

Sydney is falling off the map: slowing economy, fewer migrants, losing out to other Australian cities. What are the recent successes? Buses. And failures? Roads. The five commitments Sydney needs to get back on course within budget are: some buses, some light rail, some bikes, some roads, some tolls, some apartments. Which go?

Prof Peter Phibbs, Urban Research Centre, UWS

"Funding Transport in Sydney"

Funding effective transport in Sydney requires very different strategies from those used in the last ten years. After a short review of current transport problems, particularly in western Sydney, the speaker examines the structural barriers to funding a 21st century transport system for Sydney.

Refreshment break *circa* 5.30pm

Questions and Discussion to 7.00pm