



Australian Government

Australian Civil-Military Centre

CIVIL-MILITARY-POLICE WORKSHOP

Protection of Civilians during International and Domestic crises

Event Program

Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 September 2023

Hotel Realm, Barton ACT

OVERVIEW

Workshop participants

Congratulations on your successful nomination to attend the Australian Civil-Military Centre's (ACMC) Civil-Military-Police Protection of Civilians during International and Domestic Crises (CMPW-POC) Workshop.

The CMPW-POC is a two-day workshop that will focus on the Protection of Civilians (POC) during international and domestic crises. With the changes in nature of conflict, the increasing severity and frequency of sudden-onset disasters, more attention needs to be paid to understanding how government, humanitarian actors and civil society can best protect civilians. The workshop features a series of lectures, panel discussions and activities.

ACMC has invited participants from:

- Australian Federal Police
- Department of Defence
- Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- Department of Home Affairs
- National Emergency Management Agency
- Civil society and non-government organisations.

Workshop protocols

All workshop proceedings will observe the Chatham House Rule. Participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker or participant may be revealed. Please ensure mobile phones are switched to silent mode during presentations. If you need to take or make an urgent call, please move outside the training room.

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Contact details for CMPW course organisers are at page 4.

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Arrival

Delegates are to arrive by no later than:

0845 Registration 0900 Start Monday 18 September 2023

0850 for 0900 Start Tuesday 19 September 2023.

The workshop will take place at:

National Ballroom 1

Level 1, Hotel Realm

18 National Circuit, Barton ACT 2600.

Electronic signage for the workshop will be displayed in the foyer of Hotel Realm.

The CMPW-POC will conclude at 1700 on Monday 18 September and 1645 on Tuesday 19 September 2023.

If you have any difficulty locating the workshop room, please contact Warwick Fry on 0439 262 075.

Registration

Please ensure you register your attendance on the sign-in sheet located at the registration desk outside National Ballroom 1 on arrival.

Seating at the workshop will be allocated.

Disability access

Hotel Realm is wheelchair accessible and has four lifts that service all levels. A disabled toilet is located near the National Ballroom 3.

Dress code

Dress code for attendees is smart casual.

Uniform code for Military is dress of the day.

Uniform code for AFP is dress of the day.

Parking and taxis

Paid parking is available at Wilson Parking – Hotel Realm, 10 Burbury Close, Barton for \$20 per day. Please refer to Attachment B for more information.

Taxi bookings can be made at the Hotel Realm reception desk.

Wi-Fi

Free Wi-Fi is available on-site. Username and password will be circulated upon arrival.

Safety and evacuation point

Please familiarise yourself with the evacuation assembly point marked at Attachment A.

In the case of an emergency, Hotel Realm staff will guide workshop participants out of the building.

Stationery and study materials

All workshop and writing materials will be provided.

Meals

ACMC will cover the cost of morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea throughout the two-day workshop. Catering will be provided on-site by Hotel Realm staff.

Please advise the ACMC Engagement Team by email (engagement@acmc.gov.au) of any **allergies or specific dietary requirements** you may have by no later than COB Monday 11 September 2023.

Health and first aid

Please advise the ACMC Engagement Team of any medical conditions engagement@acmc.gov.au.

An evacuation briefing will be provided by ACMC staff at commencement of the workshop. A designated first aid officer is present in the building between 0830 to 1700, Monday to Friday.

If you are feeling unwell, please notify one of the ACMC staff and we will provide assistance. If you are showing COVID-19 symptoms (including fever, cough, shortness of breath, loss of smell and/or taste), we kindly ask you not attend the workshop. ACMC will happily accommodate a representative to attend in your place.

Accommodation

Please refer to **Attachment A** for DOMA Hotels special discounted accommodation deals.

Medical emergencies

The national telephone number for all emergency services in Australia including ambulance, fire and police is "000". If you are unsure about whether a person requires an ambulance, you should call 000.

Hospital

The nearest hospital is Canberra Hospital.

Yamba Drive, Garran ACT 2605

Phone: 02 5124 0000

Workshop contacts

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the ACMC Engagement Team.

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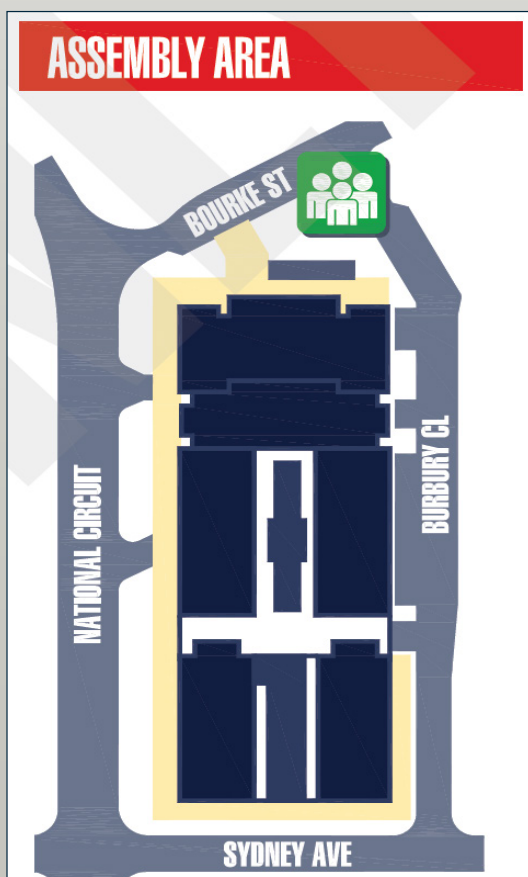
RESOURCES

Some relevant ACMC resources that may be of interest to you ahead of the workshop linked below:

- [Same Space - Different Mandates](#), 2023
- [Australian Guidelines for the Protection of Civilians | ACMC](#), 2015
- [Australian Government Guiding Principles for Civil-Military-Police Interaction in International Disaster and Conflict Management](#), 2015
- [Civil-Military-Police Language Guide: Promoting shared understanding](#), 2015
- [Afghanistan: Lessons from Australia's Whole-of-Government Mission](#), 2016
- [Leading Together \(video\)](#), 2016
- [Organising for Peace Operations: Lessons Learned from Bougainville, East Timor, and the Solomon Islands](#), 2016
- [Humanitarian Civil-Military Coordination in Emergencies: Towards a Predictable Model](#), 2020
- [From Principle to Practice: Protecting civilians in violent contexts](#), 2019.
- [Building a Culture of Protection: 20 Years of Security Council Engagement on the Protection of Civilians | ACMC](#), 2019
- [Women, Peace & Security online eLearning course](#), 2020.

All ACMC publications can be found [here](#). A selection of hard copy publications will be made available at the workshop.

HOTEL REALM EVACUATION AREA



WILSON PARKING MAP



Civil-Military-Police Workshop Protection of Civilians During International and Domestic Crises 18-19 September 2023 (Day One Agenda) Location: Hotel Realm, National Circuit Barton Facilitated By: Australian Civil-Military Centre		
0845-0900	Arrival and Registrations	ACMC Staff
0900-0915	Acknowledgement of Country and Opening	ACMC: Nicola Rosenblum
0915-0930	Meet and Greet Activity	ACMC Facilitator
THEME ONE: Contemporary perspectives on Protection of Civilians		
0930-1030	Contemporary POC perspectives	HAG: Beth Eggleston
1030-1045	Morning Tea	Realm Hotel Foyer
1045-1145	UN perspectives on POC	ACMC: Warwick Fry / Jules Frost
1145-1245	ICRC perspectives on POC	ICRC: Jens-Martin Mehler
1245-1315	Lunch	Realm Hotel Foyer
THEME TWO: Government perspectives on Protection of Civilians		
1315-1415	Military Law perspective on POC	ADF Legal: CMDR Tristan Skousgaard
1415-1515	Disinformation in POC situations	ADF: CMDR Fenn Kemp
1515-1530	Afternoon Tea	Realm Hotel Foyer
1530-1655	Workshop Panel Discussion: Australian perspectives on POC Facilitated by Deahne Turnbull	ADF - COL Mark Coyle AFP -A/Commander Simon Henry Aust Red Cross - Sophie Ford
1655-1700	Summary and Close of Day One	ACMC Executive
1700-1900	Networking drinks	Ostani Bar (delegates expense)

Civil-Military-Police Workshop Protection of Civilians During International and Domestic Crises 18-19 September 2023 (Day Two Agenda) Location: Hotel Realm, National Circuit Barton Facilitated By: Australian Civil-Military Centre		
0845-0900	Arrival and Registrations	ACMC Staff
0900-0915	Acknowledgement of Country and Overview of Day Two	ACMC Facilitator
0915-0930	Ice Breaker Activity	ACMC Facilitator
THEME THREE: Current and Emerging Challenges on Protection of Civilians		
0930-1030	Conflict in Urban Environments	ICRC: Clementine Rendle
1030-1100	Morning Tea	Realm Hotel Foyer
1100-1200	POC in the Maritime Domain	ANU: David Letts
1200-1245	Lunch	Realm Hotel Foyer
1245-1400	Group Activity (Maritime POC)	Facilitators: David Letts/ACMC
THEME FOUR: Protection of Civilians: Other Future-focused Issues		
1400-1500	Future Directions: Environmental Impacts and Climate Change	DFAT – Rachel Dunstone
1500-1520	Afternoon Tea	Realm Hotel Foyer
1520-1620	POC Group Activity	Facilitator: ACMC
1620-1630	Summary and Close of Day Two	ACMC Executive

Speaker Biographies – in order of appearance

Nicola Rosenblum

**Executive Director
Australian Civil Military Centre**

Nicola commenced as Executive Director of the Australian Civil Military Centre (ACMC) in January 2023. Over two decades, Nicola has worked across the Australian Government on a broad range of foreign policy, crisis response and national security issues. She served as Australia's High Commissioner to Brunei Darussalam, as well as other diplomatic postings to Australia's High Commission in Pakistan and Australia's mission to the United Nations in Vienna.

Prior to taking up the role at ACMC, Nicola was the Deputy Head of the ANU National Security College, managing the delivery of research, international dialogues, workshops and events.

During her career, Nicola has contributed to a broad range of Australian civil military operations at headquarters and in the field, including: consular evacuation from Lebanon (2006); Medical Task Force in Pakistan (2010); Joint Agency Taskforce for Operation Sovereign Borders (2013-14); response to MH17 (2014); medical response to Ebola in West Africa (2014); humanitarian response to Cyclone Pam in Vanuatu (2015); and humanitarian response to Nepal earthquakes (2015).

Nicola has a Bachelor of Arts in Politics and Government with Honours from Griffith University, and a Graduate Certificate in Humanitarian Leadership from Deakin University. She is married with two daughters.



Deahne Turnbull

**Conference Facilitator
Director, International & Domestic Engagement
Australian Civil Military Centre**

Deahne Turnbull is the Director of the International and Domestic Engagement Directorate at the Australian Civil-Military Centre (ACMC). Deahne is an outspoken advocate of civil-military-police coordination in crisis preparedness and response. She is the Australian Representative to the Regional Consultative Group on Humanitarian Civil-Military Coordination in the Asia Pacific, for which Australia is Co Secretariat alongside the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and the US Centre for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance.

Prior to joining ACMC, she worked with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, specialising in crisis preparedness and response. Deahne deployed in support of Australia's high-profile response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Papua New Guinea (PNG), and as the development lead for Australia's Interim Mission for Afghanistan. She has also worked as a diplomat in PNG and Afghanistan and as Australia's Deputy Ambassador in Iraq.

Deahne has a Bachelor of Economics (hons) and Bachelor of Law (hons), and is married with three daughters.



Warwick Fry

Conference Facilitator

Assist Dir, International & Domestic Engagement

Australian Civil Military Centre



Warwick has re-joined the Australian Civil-Military Centre (ACMC), this time as an Assistant Director, Domestic and International Engagement. Warwick had earlier returned to the Department of Defence in January 2022, after 15 years as a policy adviser in the Australian Federal Police (AFP).

In the AFP, Warwick worked on national security and international security policy matters, and supported AFP planning for its deployments, including to Timor Leste and Solomon Islands following the near-concurrent rioting in 2006, and to other international missions in Sudan/South Sudan, Cyprus, Afghanistan and in the Pacific.

In 2013 and 2014 Warwick was an AFP representative in the UN Security Council (UNSC) Taskforce in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) in Canberra, where he worked on UN peacekeeping, counter-terrorism, kidnap for ransom and policing policy issues during Australia's UNSC term. From 2018 to 2020, Warwick was an AFP Liaison Officer within DFAT, working across all bilateral and multilateral thematic areas on international security and transnational crime matters. His final placement with AFP from 2020 to December 2021 was as the Police Advisor to the ACMC.

Warwick was previously in Department of Defence from 1998 to 2005 working in Strategic Policy Branch (1998-2000) and then International Policy Division, on global issues including Middle East operations (2001-2002), before moving to work on South West Pacific Defence engagement. This period included a secondment to the NZ Ministry of Defence in Wellington from 2003 to mid-2004 before returning to work again on Middle East policy and operations until moving to the AFP in 2005.

Beth Eggleston

Director

Humanitarian Advisory Group



Beth has held humanitarian coordination roles in a range of peace operations and humanitarian response contexts, specialising in protection, civil-military coordination, and humanitarian reform. After surviving the bureaucracy of large international NGOs and the United Nations, Beth co-founded Humanitarian Advisory Group in 2012, a social enterprise that aims to harness humanitarian passion with entrepreneurial energy and innovation.

Beth has been a member of NATO's Civil-Society Advisory Panel on Women, Peace and Security and spent 3 months with the U.S. Naval War College as a Fulbright Scholar where she undertook research with the Humanitarian Response Program.

Beth's publications include the chapter 'Humanitarian Values and Military Objectives' in Ethics Under Fire: Challenges for the Australian Army, and Towards a Predictable Model: Humanitarian Civil-Military Coordination in Emergencies. Beth has a Masters of Development Studies, was awarded the Humanitarian Overseas Service Medal by the Australian government, and is interested in cross learning between the international humanitarian system and Australian domestic emergency management.



Jules L Frost

ACFID Civil Society Engagement Advisor to ACMC

Jules is the Civil Society Engagement Adviser of the Australian Civil-Military Centre where she contributes to the advancement of national capabilities to prevent, prepare for and respond more effectively to humanitarian crises through advancements in civil-military-police engagement. An executive with over 25 years of international experience in humanitarian contexts, Jules moved to Canberra from Switzerland where she was based for nearly 10 years working with organizations including World Vision, Medair, and the CHS Alliance.



During her extensive career with World Vision, she became a leading authority on civil-military-police relations. By developing strong relations with UN, NATO and other armed forces, Jules pioneered joint-training relationships and developed operational guidelines that have had a major influence across the humanitarian and military sectors.

She has held key operational roles with portfolios in some of the most difficult and challenging contexts in East & Southern Africa, the Middle East, Eastern Europe and the Asian Tsunami Response while Director for Humanitarian and Emergency Affairs, World Vision USA. She later served as the Head of Innovative Partnerships in Australia.

Immediately prior to joining the ACMC, she worked for the CHS (Core Humanitarian Standard) Alliance where she oversaw program development and management, partnership building, and fundraising efforts in support of Accountability to Affected People (AAP), Prevention of Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Harassment (PSEAH), and People Management.

Jens-Martin Mehler

Regional Protection Coordinator ICRC Regional Delegation in the Pacific

Mr Jens-Martin Mehler is the International Committee of the Red Cross' (ICRC) Regional Protection Coordinator. Mr Mehler has been working with the ICRC for 20 years and has served in Iraq, Lebanon, Israel, Palestine, the United States, Russia, Uzbekistan, Malaysia, Mauretania, and Fiji, where he is posted since February 2022.



Mr. Mehler is responsible for all Protection related activities of the ICRC in the Pacific Region, i.e. visits to people deprived of liberty, work for missing persons and their families, and the protection of family links (in coordination with the National Red Cross Societies). He also promotes International Humanitarian Law and the Protection of Civilians during armed conflicts in workshops, seminars, and trainings with the Armed Forces of select countries of the Region.

Mr. Mehler has a M.A. in Political Science, Modern History and Arabic Language.



Commander Tristan Skousgaard, RAN

**Deputy Director, Operations and International Law
Australian Department of Defence**

Commander Skousgaard was commissioned in the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) as a Legal Officer in 2007. Since joining the RAN, he has served in a variety of legal and non-legal positions. During his legal postings he has provided advice on the conduct of multiple operations, international and inter-governmental agreements, governance and operational arrangements for the Royal Australian Navy and the Australian Defence Force, the drafting and implementation of substantial legislative changes, the command and control arrangements of the RAN, and significant reputational and operational events. He is currently the Deputy Director, in the Directorate of Operations and International Law and provides advice on legal matters affecting Defence strategic policy and plans, operations, exercises and training, including the impact of international law, such as the law of the sea and the laws of armed conflict.

CMDR A. Fenn Kemp, RAN

Australian Defence Force

Commander (Adrian) Fenn Kemp has worked at the strategic, operational, and tactical levels of the Australian Defence Force, and has significant experience in Information Operations and Strategic Communications.

CMDR Kemp is currently the Defence Information Operations Liaison Officer, working at the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade as DFAT develops its own proactive influence and effects capability to monitor and push back against acts of Dis-information and misinformation across the region. This is his second posting to DFAT, having participated in Operation PNG COVID Assist which tracked and countered COVID related dis-information campaigns in PNG and elsewhere in the Pacific in 2021.

Prior to this posting, he was the Director of Navy's Fleet Information Effects Unit – which saw him and his team plan and coordinate Information activities and counter dis-information across the South-East Asian region and during Humanitarian and Disaster Relief operations such as Operation Tonga Assist.

CMDR Kemp's background is in media and crisis management. He has deployed multiple times as the Public Affairs officer and team leader on activities such as Indo Pacific Endeavour – the ADF's flagship military regional engagement activity. CMDR Kemp was posted to the Australian Military Headquarters in Baghdad in 2008 and on Operation Sumatra Assist in 2005.

CMDR Kemp has also completed postings at the Public Affairs Director (J09) at Joint Operations Command and as the Director of Navy Communications and Media to the Chief of Navy at Navy Headquarters.



COL Mark Coyle

Australian Defence Force

Colonel Coyle attended the Australian Defence Force Academy and the Royal Military College; graduating in 1992 into the Royal Australian Engineers.

Colonel Coyle has worked at the tactical, operational and strategic level in a variety of regimental and staff appointments and has been privileged to command at every rank; to include Commanding Officer of the School of Military Engineering and the Commander of the Australian Contingent on OP ASLAN, South Sudan.

Throughout his professional development, Colonel Coyle has been afforded a balanced career that has spanned between individual service, joint and international postings. Later postings have included the Program Officer for Integrated Capability, the ADF Australian Liaison Officer to the US Joint Staff within the Pentagon, Director of Joint Integration and Concepts Assurance and the Director of Support to Operations within CASG; Colonel Coyle is currently the Director Plans and Effects for Army's 2nd Division and Joint Task Force 629 (Homeland Security). Colonel Coyle has seen operational service in Bosnia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands, Iraq, Afghanistan and South Sudan.

Colonel Coyle has completed a Bachelors and Honours Degree at the University of New South Wales, as well as a Master of Management from the University of Canberra. He is a graduate of the Australian Command and Staff College and is a member of both the Australian Institute of Management and the Australian Institute of Company Directors.



Superintendent Simon Henry

Acting Commander Specialist Operations Australian Federal Police

Superintendent Simon Henry was appointed to the Australian Federal Police in 2001. Over his 22 year career he has undertaken a broad range of AFP roles domestically and internationally as well as secondments to external agencies.

In 2021, Simon joined the AFP's Specialist Operations command. He currently leads the Specialist Response unit, comprising a range of niche specialist policing capabilities, such as bomb response, negotiators, maritime, search and rescue and air support.

Simon has worked internationally with the AFP, deploying to the Solomon Islands in 2004, and Timor Leste in 2006 amongst other shorter term major event based deployments with a focus on protection of Australian interests, such as the Beijing and Tokyo Olympics.

Simon has completed a Masters of Leadership and Management in policing amongst other police command and crisis leadership training domestically and internationally.

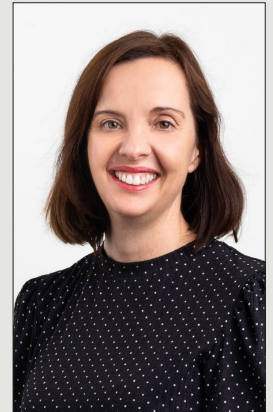


Sophie Ford

**Senior Manager - International Response
Australian Red Cross**

Sophie Ford is a humanitarian and international development leader with over 15 years' experience gained both in the field and at headquarters. Skilled in operational and strategic management, she has worked in both first phase and complex emergencies in South and Southeast Asia as well as the Pacific.

Sophie has worked on humanitarian operations and humanitarian policy for Oxfam and UNICEF and is currently the Senior Manager - International Response at Australian Red Cross. In this role, she supports Australian Red Cross engagement in Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement response operations around the globe, ranging from the ongoing response to the conflict in Ukraine to the Turkiye earthquakes response operation.



Clementine Rendle

**Regional Legal Adviser
ICRC Regional Delegation in the Pacific**

Clementine is the ICRC's Regional Legal Adviser for the Pacific, advising national authorities on the adoption and implementation of international humanitarian law and providing legal support for the ICRC's activities in the region.

Since joining the ICRC in 2016, Clementine has also worked with the Legal and Protection Divisions of the ICRC on a range of issues. She previously practised as a lawyer in Sydney, including with various community legal centres.

Clementine holds a Master of Laws in International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights from the Geneva Academy and a Bachelor of Laws (Hons) and Bachelor of International Studies from the University of Sydney. She is admitted to the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the High Court of Australia.



Associate Professor David Letts

Australian National University



After a decade of teaching and researching at the ANU College of Law, David is now an Honorary Associate Professor at ANU. He is also an Associate Professor at the Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security, University of Wollongong. He previously served in the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) retiring as a Commodore (1-star). David had sea postings as a logistics officer, served as the RAN's Fleet Legal Officer and deployed to East Timor as Chief Legal Adviser to the UNPKF Commander. He was also Chief of International Law for MNF-I in Baghdad, Chief Staff Officer to the RAN's Chief of Navy and the RAN's Head of Personnel and Training for nearly four years. His final full-time military job was Deputy Inspector General ADF.

David is the co-editor of *Law of the Sea in South East Asia* (Routledge 2020) and *Maritime Operations Law in Practice* (Routledge 2022). He also recently authored the Australian contribution to the Asia Maritime Transparency Institute's series of analyses regarding the Conceptualization of "Maritime Security" in Southeast Asia, and is one of the authors of *The Newport Manual on the Law of Naval Warfare* (International Law Studies 2023).

David's research interests centre upon the application of legal regimes to military operations, and he has published books, academic articles and book chapters on topics including military justice, law of the sea, maritime security, the law of naval warfare, international humanitarian law and the legal issues that arise on peacekeeping operations.

Rachel Dunstone

**Director, Climate Diplomacy and Strategy
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**



Rachel is currently the Director, Climate Diplomacy and Strategy at the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. In her current role she works with the Ambassador for Climate Change and manages issues ranging from COP28 to climate security.

Rachel previously worked as the Political – Economic – Public Affairs Counsellor at the Australian High Commission in Singapore. During her time at Post, her team negotiated the Singapore – Australia Green Economy Agreement and opened Australia's second travel bubble (after New Zealand) with Singapore during COVID.

Until mid-2019, Rachel was Director (Humanitarian Partnerships Section) in DFAT Canberra, overseeing Australia's humanitarian partnerships with the UN and ICRC. She was also First Secretary (Trade) at the Australian Embassy in Jakarta (2010 – 2013) and Deputy Director, New South Wales State Office (2007 – 2009).

Rachel is an alumni from the Asialink Leaders Program (2006).

Prior to joining DFAT, Rachel worked for Goldman Sachs (Hong Kong). Rachel has a BA Asian Studies (UNSW), Master of Commerce (UNSW) and a Graduate Certificate in Humanitarian Leadership (Deakin). She is currently undertaking climate studies (ANU). Rachel has studied Indonesian and Japanese. Rachel is married to Dr Ted Dunstone and they have two children (Genevieve 'Evie' and Charles 'Charlie'), one cat ('Bowie') and a new puppy ('Ziggy').

