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## ***Australia: Lessons on Water Management in a Changing World***

**Tuesday, November 16:  
JRC 2222 from 12:00-1:00**

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Oil may dominate today's news, but water will drive future challenges and conflicts. Whether it is rising, depleting, or heating up, the effects are already felt on coastlines and in semi-arid regions around the world. This seminar focuses on water management and climate change in Australia, the world's most arid continent (after Antarctica). In particular, it will examine the ecological, political and social impact of climate change on Australia's two fragile aquatic environments: the Murray-Darling Basin in New South Wales and Victoria (the source of water for much of Australia's 'fertile crescent') and the iconic Great Barrier Reef in Far North Queensland. Water resources in both these fragile regions are under threat and the subject of contested government and environmental intervention.

This presentation is the result of a recent International Faculty Development Seminar (CIEE) in Australia, titled, Climate Change: The Reefs and Waterways of Australia.