# **POWER, ENERGY & CLEAN TECHNOLOGIES**

### Friday 01 March 2024

12:00pm (AEST) – start 12:55 - conclusion Time will be allocated for questions after the presentation

> This seminar will be delivered in person and by livestream Zoom:

Venue: GP-P-419 P-Block, Level 4, Room P419, QUT Gardens Point Zoom Delivery: Join by Zoom Password: 067103

The Energy Researchers at QUT are pleased to invite you in person or online to the hybrid PECT Seminar given by Dr Vikki McLeod from QUT

## The Role of Demand Flexibility Trading in Australia's Clean Energy Transition: **A Systems Thinking Approach**

#### Abstract

This presentation examines a current policy issue critical to Australia's Clean Energy Transition: integrating end consumer-owned Distributed Energy Resources into the electricity grid.

DER integration is a remarkably complex problem involving end consumer behaviour, transactions involving multiple parties, energy market reforms, policy development and politics, technology economics and innovation. The electricity system is complex; the market, regulations, policy, and politics overlap and intersect with the technical aspects. These factors contribute to energy policy uncertainties and other barriers.

This presentation outlines how 'complexity theory' and a 'system thinking approach' can be used to navigate DER integration policy development.



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> **RSVP** via Eventbrite COB Thursday 29 February 2024

#### **Biography**

#### Dr Vikki McLeod

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Dr Vikki McLeod originally trained as an electrical engineer, later moving into energy policy. She has worked across four government jurisdictions. and implementing developing Energy and Climate Change Strategies and policies.

Dr McLeod completed her PhD research project in 2023 and was supervised through QUT's Centre for Clean Energy Technologies and Practices and the School of Design. The research project was entitled "The Role of Demand Flexibility Trading in Australia's Clean Energy Transition: A Systems Thinking Approach." She has been awarded a write-up scholarship from the RACE for 2030 CRC.

Dr McLeod works for Rewiring Australia as their Energy Market Adviser.

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