

Proposal for New Economy Conference

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The steady state economy was developed by Prof Herman Daly in the 1970s as an alternative to the current rampant growth economy. It is an *ecological economics* approach which accepts that the economy must operate within the limits of the Earth, in contrast to neoclassical economics which denies there are any limits. The key parts of a SSE are:

1. A steady and ecologically sustainable human population
2. A low throughput of resources (in contrast to the throwaway society of today)
3. Greater equality of income within society.

Conference Themes:

Work, Care, Exchange, Relationship with the Natural World

Bio:

Haydn is an environmental scientist and writer and activist with a 40 year history in environmental science. He is a Visiting Fellow in Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies at UNSW, and has worked in CSIRO, environmental NGOs (e.g. Director of the Nature Conservation Council of NSW), and as Director of Sustainability Projects in a Sydney Council. His interests are sustainability (in all its forms), solving the environmental crisis and a sense of wonder at nature. His books include 'A Sense of Wonder' (2002) and 'Human Dependence on Nature' (2013). Haydn lives on the edge of Wollemi NP near Rylstone and is also fascinated with the unique 'pagoda' rock formations nearby.