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Kaleide Theatre  
RMIT University  
Swanston Street  
Melbourne

# VICTORIAN DISASTER RESEARCH FORUM

This one-day forum aims to bring together researchers from across all disciplines and all Victorian universities as a first step towards an active network of interdisciplinary disaster researchers across Victoria.



## PROGRAM

- 9:00: Registration Opens
- 9:30: Opening Keynotes
- 10:45: Morning tea
- 11:15: Victorian Researcher lightning talks
- 12:30: Lunch and networking
- 1:15: Practitioner Keynote
- 2:15: Panel discussion
- 3:00: Summary, planning and next steps
- 3:30: Close and networking



## PARTICIPATE

The Forum is open to all interested disaster researchers in Victoria, as well as practitioners who want to shape a future applied disaster research agenda for Victoria.



## REGISTER

To secure your place at the Forum, as well as other ways to get involved begin at: <http://bit.ly/vdrf>

Victoria boasts world-leading impact-focused disaster and natural hazards research capabilities across multiple universities. These capabilities present unique opportunities for innovation in responding to Victoria's unique combinations of natural hazards, climate, and community risks.

This Victorian Disaster Research Forum aims to realise these opportunities by helping to connect and coordinate disaster researchers across Victoria's universities, with the long-term goal to:

- reduce the barriers to innovation in disaster-related research
- aid research adoption for emergency management and recovery applications
- create new pathways for disaster research translation in Victoria

## NEXT STEPS

This event is designed as an important step towards the formation of a **Victorian Disaster Resilience Alliance** (VDRA). Drawing inspiration from initiatives such as the QDRA in Queensland, the VDRA aims to better connect Victorian universities' world-class capabilities in disaster research in support of Victoria's unique emergency management and recovery innovation needs.

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