

Sustainable Futures with Professor Jay Friedlander Wednesday 6 November 209 Workshop Wrap Up

The Victorian Local Governance Association (VLGA), in partnership with Central Queensland University, hosted Professor Friedlander, from the <u>College of the Atlantic</u>, an <u>Ashoka U</u> Changemaker Campus on 6 November 2019 to provide an outline of his work on <u>the Abundance Cycle</u>. This work aims to equip organisations who want to embed the <u>United Nations Sustainable Development Goals</u> (<u>SDG</u>) across some, or all, their operations.

During the two-hour workshop, attended by councillors, council staff and social entrepreneurs, Professsor Friedlander outlined the critical steps of his Abundance Cycle, including:

- 1. Changing people's perspectives on change to engage with stakeholders on common issues of concern and to re-shape the conversation.
- 2. Building on strength to explore and unlock opportunities find willing champions and focus initially on activities with low effort and high impact.
- 3. Develop tactics and measurements to seek out collaborative exchange with a focus on the 3Ps: People, Profit and Planet.

The workshop also provided a great opportunity for attendees to network and exchange ideas.

As part of VLGA's strategic plan in providing <u>local government support and good governance</u> <u>leadership councils</u>, this and other workshops, events and training are open to member council staff and councillors. A full list of our upcoming events can be accessed via the <u>VLGA website</u>.

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