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Pyrogeographic thinking the key to tackling the global fire crisis

A PUBLIC LECTURE BY

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where: Meeting Room, QVMAG at Inveresk or via Zoom webinar
when: 1.30 pm Sunday 28th February 2021

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Professor Bowman holds a research chair in Pyrogeography and Fire Science in the School of Natural Sciences and is the Director of the transdisciplinary Fire Centre at the University of Tasmania. He is developing the transdisciplinary field of pyrogeography that provides a synthetic understanding of landscape burning, uniting human, physical and biological dimensions of fire from the geological past into the future and spanning local to global geographic scales.



Pyrogeographic thinking can enable transition from the current vicious cycle of problematizing wildfire disasters to a more virtuous cycle of problem solving to achieve sustainable co-existence with fire. Pyrogeography gives voice to points of view lying outside classical fire science and fire management paradigms – revealing both barriers and opportunities for social and environmental adaptation. Case-studies involving cross-cultural and cross-disciplinary collaborations will illustrate how Pyrogeography creates space for innovation, fosters diversity, and provides pathways for building social capacity and capital in communities vulnerable to fire disasters.

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