

CRAWFORD FUND TASMANIA 2023 FORUM
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HER EXCELLENCY THE HONOURABLE BARBARA BAKER AC
GOVERNOR OF TASMANIA
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Please be seated.

Good morning. I warmly welcome you all to this 2023 Crawford Fund Tasmania Forum.

I pay my respects to the traditional and original owners of this land: the palawa people. I acknowledge the contemporary Tasmanian Aboriginal community and recognise their enduring culture and connection to land, sea and waters.

May I acknowledge among us:

- The Honourable Jo Palmer MLC, Minister for Primary Industries and Water;
- Professor Andrew Campbell, CEO the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research;
- Dr Colin Chartres, CEO the Crawford Fund; and
- Mr Dick Warner, national Board Member and State Committee Chair and, former resident of this house.

This is the second Crawford Fund event to be hosted at Government House. The first was held in 2017, hosted by my predecessor, Professor Kate Warner.

The Crawford Fund is a not-for-profit organisation raising awareness of the benefits to Australia and developing countries of Australia's engagement in international agricultural research and development.

The Fund supports training programs for developing country scientists and farmers, drawing on Australian experience.

The Fund encourages and supports young Australians in their careers, studies and volunteering in agriculture for development.

Today we shall hear about the recently updated report, “Doing Well by Doing Good”; and how international agricultural research benefits Australia as well as developing countries.

I wish you all well with your discussions today. I look forward to joining you again later this morning.

Thank you.