Organic Industries

A voice for Australia's organic industries

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Sydney consultations

Seeking views of all organic producers

Have your say on the future of the organic industry

Policy Partners Pty Ltd is conducting regional consultations, seeking the views of organic producers about the future leadership of their industry.

The consultations are part of a project initiated by organic industry leaders from across Australia who are collaborating with a view to establishing a harmonised national voice for all organic producers, certifiers and the supply chain.

Tony Webster, Managing Director at Policy Partners, said "There are many fine producers of organic products in and around Sydney and the industry is growing strongly. This workshop is a great opportunity for them to express their priorities for the future of the industry."

Mr Webster said "The Australian organic industry is diverse in its products and scale, ranging from small growers selling entirely through farmers markets, through to corporates exporting to the world. We welcome all people in the industry to come and share their views about strategies for ensuring the industry is well represented and to help shape Australia's organic industry."

The 3 hour consultation workshop will be held at Pasta Emilia in Surry Hills at 4.00pm Thursday 28th September. Afterwards, workshop participants are invited to stay for drinks and dinner.

Pasta Emilia prepares award winning pasta and traditional Italian recipes using the finest seasonal, certified organic, biodynamic and ethical ingredients.

This will also be an opportunity to sample some of the fantastic organic wines and produce from Rosnay Organic, a vineyard and orchard at Canowindra. Rosnay was created by the Statham family in 1997, and produces certified organic wines, olives, and figs.

Policy Partners has published an Issues Paper to guide the consultations. For further information, visit the project website at www.organicindustries.com.au

RSVP is required for catering purposes. Please email enquiries@organicindustries.com.au or phone/text Tony Webster on 0448439334 to register.

Consultation Workshop
Organic Industries of Australia

4.00pm—7.00pm Thursday 28 September
Venue: Pasta Emilia, 259 Riley Street, Surry Hills NSW

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Background

The Australian Organic Industry Working Group has appointed Policy Partners as project manager to guide it through the initial phase of the project.

Policy Partners has distinctive expertise in the delivery of complex projects spanning multiple stakeholders across industry, government and the private sector. Policy Partners specialises in policy, strategy, economic and performance.

Managing Director, Tony Webster, will lead the consultations.

Pasta Emilia opened its doors in 2005 in Bronte, when it was still the beating heart of artisanal start-ups. Its contribution to Sydney's food sophistication project was a very traditional and organic 'Laboratorio di Pasta' (Pasta Lab).

In 2012, it was time for a new home on Riley Street in Surry Hills. The new space enabled Anna to add the dining room she had always wanted and the opportunity for regular cooking classes.

At the table, traditional recipes meet the finest seasonal, certified organic, biodynamic and ethical ingredients. Anna Maria works closely with local farms to choose ingredients for her kitchen.

Rosnay is an organic vineyard and orchard at Canowindra, in the Central Ranges of NSW, Australia. It was created by the Statham family in 1997, and produces certified organic wines, olives, and figs.

Visitors are welcome at any time by appointment for a tour and tasting, or to stay for a weekend in the original farm house converted for farmstay accommodation.

Certified organic since 1998, Rosnay's vines and orchards have never been sprayed with harmful chemicals.