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'Think inside the box'

'We have 1.8ha of ecological space per person . . .' Mathis Wackernagel

I was fortunate to attend a discussion sponsored by World Wildlife Fund (WWF), EPA Victoria and Institute of Sustainability Analysis to converse the ecological footprint of Nations by Co Founder of the ecological footprint Mathis Wackernagel, at the Seymour Centre in Sydney University on April 28th 2006.

His message was clear ***'The future will no longer be divided between developed and developing nations. The future will be divided between ecological creditors and ecological debtors'.***

Mathis spoke about slow moving stocks, urban infrastructure, educational institutions, triple bottom line, ecological credit cards and partnership agreements. Training courses are currently being held in Melbourne and Sydney. Mathis is backed by Christa Milne from Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in Victoria and these courses will lead Australia into one of the top 10 nations to implement the ecological footprint of Nations. Anne Prince (*Waste Management Report for Norfolk Island 1999*) and implementer of waste strategies for Kangaroo Island, Lord Howe Island and other islands through Australasia chatted with Christa about the issue of the new Lord Howe Plan which was accepted by the island. The island strategy is for 20 houses to be built in the next 20 years on the island. This shows ecological sustainability and eco tourism as high demands on the small island. Ideas of sustainability housing could be the way to increase and consider the demand on an increasing island population.



CEO of WWF, Greg Bourne, chats with EcoNorfolk Foundation Founder, Denise Quintal on why it is important to take into account the impacts on small islands in the Pacific. Further ideas on how the ecological footprint of Norfolk Island could be showcased to other pacific island and lead the way for sustainability in the pacific was of interest. This could offer our island a new and innovative tourist attraction based on best practice and is already supported by more than 10 nations of the world.



**1000 Norfolk Island Pines
in honor of UNESCO
leader in sustainability.**

Above: EcoNorfolk Foundation Founder Denise Quintal presented to Global Footprint Director Mathis Wackernagel a certificate for 1000 pines to be planted in honour of his work with UNESCO. The pines will be planted on portion 142b Norfolk Island.

"I know of no better way of thinking about sustainability or carrying capability on a global scale than Ecological Footprinting." Peter Raven, Missouri Botanical Gardens.