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Dr Dave Kendal. Senior Lecturer in Environmental Management. University of Tasmania

WE WANT YOU

To join the Alliance

Here : https://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/plants-and-landscapes/climate-change-alliance/join-alliance

For more information, visit rbg.vic.gov.au/climatechangealliance
Or email climatechangealliance@rbg.vic.gov.au

The climate Change Alliance of Botanic Gardens was initiated by Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria

Founding partners from the 13 botanic organisations at the first Global Climate Change Summit of Botanic Gardens with the 'Melbourne Declaration'

In December 2018, people from a diversity of cultures, languages, and organisations from around the world responded to the global impacts of climate change to attend the botanical world's first Climate Change Summit and form the **Climate Change Alliance of Botanic Gardens (Alliance).**

Since its formation, the Alliance has achieved the following:

- ✓ agreed on an innovative Charter based on the adaptability and resilience of living systems such as the living landscapes and collections we care for
- ✓ influenced positive action by governments and energised botanical networks
- ✓ developed the first stage of a Climate Risk Assessment Tool to help manage plant collections and landscape
- ✓ delivered information and knowledge on effective climate responses and plant conservation at diverse forums and workshops
- ✓ prepared a draft Landscape Succession Strategy Toolkit to support organisations in improving the resilience and sustainability of their landscapes
- ✓ Appointed a part-time Secretariat (Ms Kantha Harrypersadh).

The current growing membership comprises c. 60 botanical gardens and arboreta from across the world (see map attached) including the Adelaide Botanic Gardens, Auckland Botanic Gardens, Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust (Sydney) and The Tasmanian Arboretum Inc.

By joining the Alliance, Botanic Gardens and similar organisations around the world will have access to a global network of Botanic Gardens and Arboreta, Botanic Gardens Associations, scientists, horticulturists and friends of Alliance who are working together to protect their Gardens and the plants of the world. Through information sharing and increased influence, Alliance will continue to be the change that the world needs to see.

According to Dr Dave Kendal from the University of Tasmania, **in the next 50 years, 20-50% of current plant species in botanic gardens and urban landscapes will likely confront temperatures those species have never experienced before.**

The time for action is now: please consider joining the Alliance so we can make a real difference with collective climate change action to safeguard plant collections, landscapes and biodiversity.

Please find details below as how to join online for free – it's an easy process. There are no difficult obligations apart from a commitment to the principles of the Charter of the Alliance and associated climate change action – small or large actions are all valuable!

Climate Change Alliance of Botanic Gardens membership page - https://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/plants-and-landscapes/climate-change-alliance/join-alliance

The **Charter** can be found at this link: https://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/plants-and-landscapes/climate-change-alliance/alliance-membership-benefits

Information on the Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria's Landscape Succession Strategy and the botanical world's first **Climate Change Summit** can be found at: https://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/plants-and-landscapes/landscape-succession-strategy

Founding Partners who established the Alliance:

- Nanshan Botanic Garden, China
- Jerusalem Botanic Garden, Israel
- Beijing Botanic Garden, China
- Botanic Gardens Australia and New Zealand
- South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI), South Africa
- Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria, Australia
- International Association of Botanic Gardens (IABG)
- Botanic Garden Conservation International (BGCI)
- University of California Davis Arboretum and Public Garden, USA
- The Morton Arboretum, USA
- Botanic Garden of the City of Buenos Aires 'Carlos Thays', Argentina
- Real Jardín Botánico, Spain
- Eden Project International, UK

Climate Change Alliance of Botanic Gardens



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