



# National Science Week – NSW Event

Science for Food Security: Making a Global, Professional and Personal Difference

Tuesday 18 August 2020, 10.00-11.00am Free and online - [register here](#)



## Explore countries and cultures, have a rewarding career AND make a difference. Interested?

If you want to be motivated by the work of young Australian scientists or are looking for study, career or volunteer opportunities delivering global, professional and personal impacts, join our free live interactive 60 minute panel and Q&A during National Science Week. Hear from a group of young passionate NSW scientists talking about their diverse and rewarding work in developing countries and how you can get involved too – whatever your age.

We want the general public, and NSW high school and university students, to know about the impact of science in global food and nutrition security, and the broad range of study and career pathways to get them on their way.

The Crawford Fund, the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) and Researchers in Agriculture for International Development (RAID) Network all provide opportunities for young and not-so-young Australians in international agriculture and are pleased to bring our passionate speakers with experiences in a range of developing countries and disciplines.

The speakers have all been using their science skills for a global impact in a variety of countries. They have landed in their careers through different journeys – **Matt Champness** has just returned from 12 months in Laos as

a volunteer on the Crawford Fund's long-term project on biosecurity; **Sam Coggins** is now working on a digital project for The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation; and **Anika Molesworth** has been splitting her life between her family's arid outback sheep station in Far Western NSW and lush green rice paddies in Southeast Asia, while getting started on her new book deal on climate change and food security.

Award winning senior ABC journalist, **Sarina Locke**, will be our moderator. Sarina brings her own experience having reported on Australia's international agricultural aid programs in Indonesia and East Timor and covered issues such as climate change, environmental stewardship, agri-business, international development and trade and biosecurity for the ABC and BBC.



*Sarina in Timor Leste, Matt in Laos, Sam in the Philippines and Anika in Cambodia.*

The event is timed to provide the best opportunity for high school teachers to have their students attend as a group from the class room, but it will also interest university students working out where they want to take their science and members of the general public who want to just be inspired, want to volunteer overseas, or with an interest in science related to food and nutrition security.

The Crawford Fund will be releasing free cross-curricular teaching materials at the event, focused on food and nutrition security.

Please [register here](#) to attend – either as an individual or as groups.

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The Fund is working with the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) and Researchers in Agriculture for International Development (RAID) Network, for this free online event which will include live chat and Q&A elements.

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