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Social and Ethical
Accountability

As the number of organisations in Australia choosing to account for their social, environmental and economic performance grows, there are precious few places where the wide range of practitioners and stakeholders can debate, critique, share ideas, and just talk about the experiences, including the benefits and challenges.

The Australian Institute of Social and Ethical Accountability presents the Practitioners Talk Series as a forum to address this need. Each Talk features a range of panellists who lead the discussion by telling their stories. Significant time is set aside to allow attendees to engage with the panellists.

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The Australian Institute of Social and Ethical Accountability presents

The Practitioners Talk – GRI Special

**THE GLOBAL REPORTING INITIATIVE –
THE G3 AND SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING'S FUTURE**

The Practitioners Talk

Tuesday October 11, 2005 4.30pm – 6.00pm

Venue: URS, Level 6, 1 Southbank Boulevard, Southbank.

MELBOURNE

Alyson Slater will present on the GRI's plans for the next generation of the GRI Guidelines (G3). Those using or interested in using the GRI are strongly encouraged to attend. After presenting, she will participate in a panel discussion on the G3 and its role in sustainability reporting's future. The panel includes a GRI user and reporter (VicSuper) as well as a NGO report user (Total Environment Centre).

Alyson Slater, Associate Director, Communications, Global Reporting Initiative

Alyson is based at the GRI's Secretariat in Amsterdam. Prior to joining the GRI in 2003 she spent two years with the Tellus Institute in Boston, where she consulted on projects relating to business and sustainability. During her time in Boston she contributed to the GRI interim secretariat in the communications program, and by managing GRI's HIV/AIDS resource document development.

Bob Welsh, Chief Executive, VicSuper

VicSuper is one of Australia's largest public offer superannuation funds with over 187,000 members and \$2.5 billion in assets, and was the first superannuation fund in Australia to produce a sustainability report. Bob Welsh is a chartered accountant and holds a degree in economics and politics from Monash University, as well as a diploma in financial planning. Bob is the driving force behind the integration of sustainability into VicSuper's decision support system. He has challenged long-entrenched norms and introduced many organisations in the Australian financial services sector to the benefits of addressing sustainability in their day-to-day business.

Tony Mohr, Associate Director Green Capital, Total Environment Centre

The Green Capital program, an initiative of the Total Environment Centre was established to progress corporate sustainability through a program of constructive engagement with business. Over 2,000 business people are involved in the program's debates, workshops, research projects and training. Before moving to Green Capital, Tony, a mechanical engineer, worked on the 'Energy Smart Business' program and managed the 'Distributed Energy Solutions' business unit at the Sustainable Energy Development Authority.

Panel facilitated by Terence Jeyaretnam, Principal, URS & Board Member AISEA

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Places are free but limited so please RSVP to samantha_mcfarlane@urscorp.com