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Launch of the Transition Decade

- * the power of collaboration for a safe climate future
- * mass rally - public meeting

I would like to invite you to the national launch of the Transition Decade at the Melbourne Town Hall, Swanston Walk, Melbourne, on Sunday 14th February from 12 to 3 pm.

The Transition Decade is a decade-long, community-wide engagement campaign which aims to build the momentum required to achieve the structural changes to the economy and lifestyles that are needed to restore a safe climate.

The campaign aims to help build greater collaboration and effectiveness among groups and individuals who are deeply concerned about the growing climate crisis. We are convinced that many more people, businesses, and community groups will get actively involved in working on the climate issue if they see strong public evidence of collaboration between organisations already involved, and they can see real commitment to fully solving the climate problem.

The launch of the Transition Decade will start as we intend to continue: by showcasing breakthrough work for a safe climate, and demonstrating to the community and decision makers the increased level of collaboration that the Transition Decade is fostering.

The launch event will highlight the range of transitions we need to create in our community to restore a safe climate - including ground breaking approaches developed by local government and climate groups, especially in Victoria.

The Transition Decade campaign is being launched by four of Australia's leading-edge environment groups: Beyond Zero Emissions, the Climate Emergency Network, Friends of the Earth and Sustainable Living Foundation. We welcome new members to the core organising group.

We are planning to launch the concept of the Transition Decade to the Victorian community through a mass mobilisation on Sunday February 14.

It will feature inspiring presentations, music, culture and arts. The opening address will be by the Governor of Victoria, Prof. David de Kretser, AC.

Key note speakers include:

- * Professor Will Steffen, Executive Director, ANU Climate Change Institute,
- * Senator Christine Milne, Australian Greens
- * Uncle Bob Randall, Yankunytjatjara Elder and Traditional owner of Uluru

Additionally, there will be representatives from a range of organisations, including Safe Climate Australia, Friends of the Earth, Beyond Zero Emissions, the Climate Emergency Network, Sustainable Living Foundation, and Environment Victoria.

We want to mobilise 2,000 people to join us for this important event.
Please reserve your seat, as places will be limited: <http://www.t10.net.au/>

Please circulate this through your networks.

This event will be free. We would welcome donations on the day to help cover our costs.

Full details and program available here soon: <http://www.t10.net.au/>

We look forward to seeing you at the rally