



Book launch: *The Climate Question – Natural Cycles, Human Impact, Future Outlook* 19 September 2019

Summary

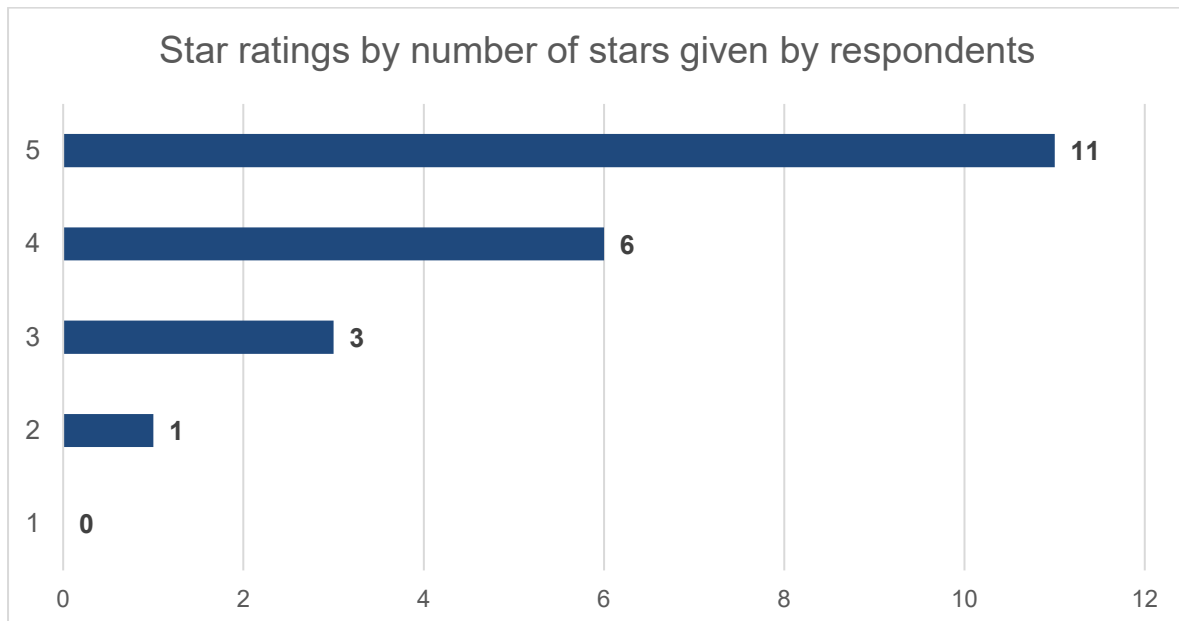
On 19 September from 5-6pm, the Climate Change Institute hosted an event in the Fenner Seminar Room that launched the book, *The Climate Question*, by Prof Eelco Rohling (Research School of Earth Science). Dr Will Grant from the Australian National Centre for the Public Awareness of Science moderated the event. The evening was followed by refreshments provided by RSES and catered by Canberra Magic Kitchen. Further information on the event can be accessed via <https://climate.anu.edu.au/news-events/events/book-launch-climate-question-natural-cycles-human-impact-future-outlook>

Methodology

The event sold 177 tickets and 100 people turned up to the event. Of the participants, 25 people (25%) responded to the online survey that was sent to them via email (copy at the end of this report). The information below is a summary of their feedback.

Star Rating

The survey form began with a chance for respondents to give the event a star rating out of a possible 5 stars. This question was also available on the email and acted as a link to the rest of the survey online. The event was given a weighted average of 4.29 stars overall.



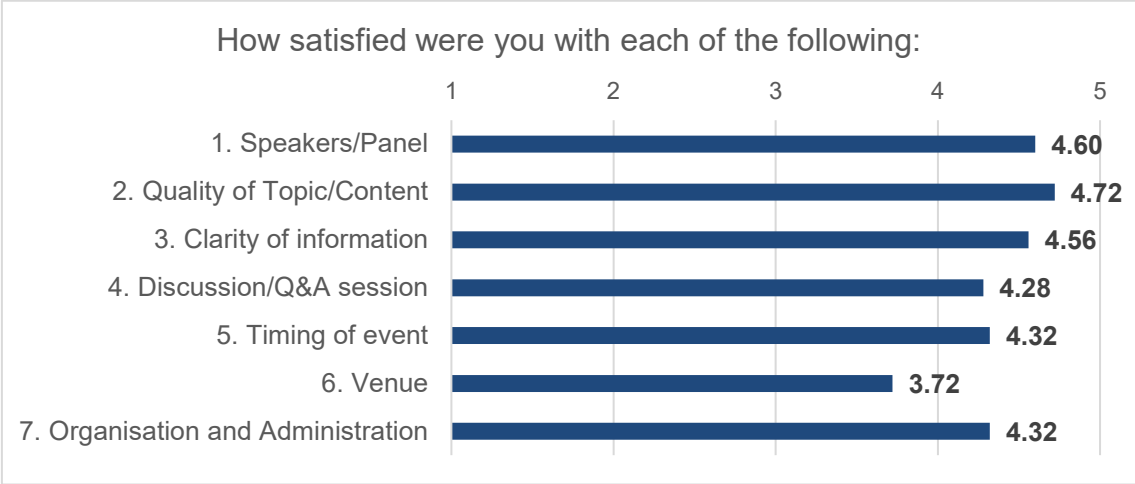
Based on 84% of respondents who answered this question

Satisfaction Ratings by category

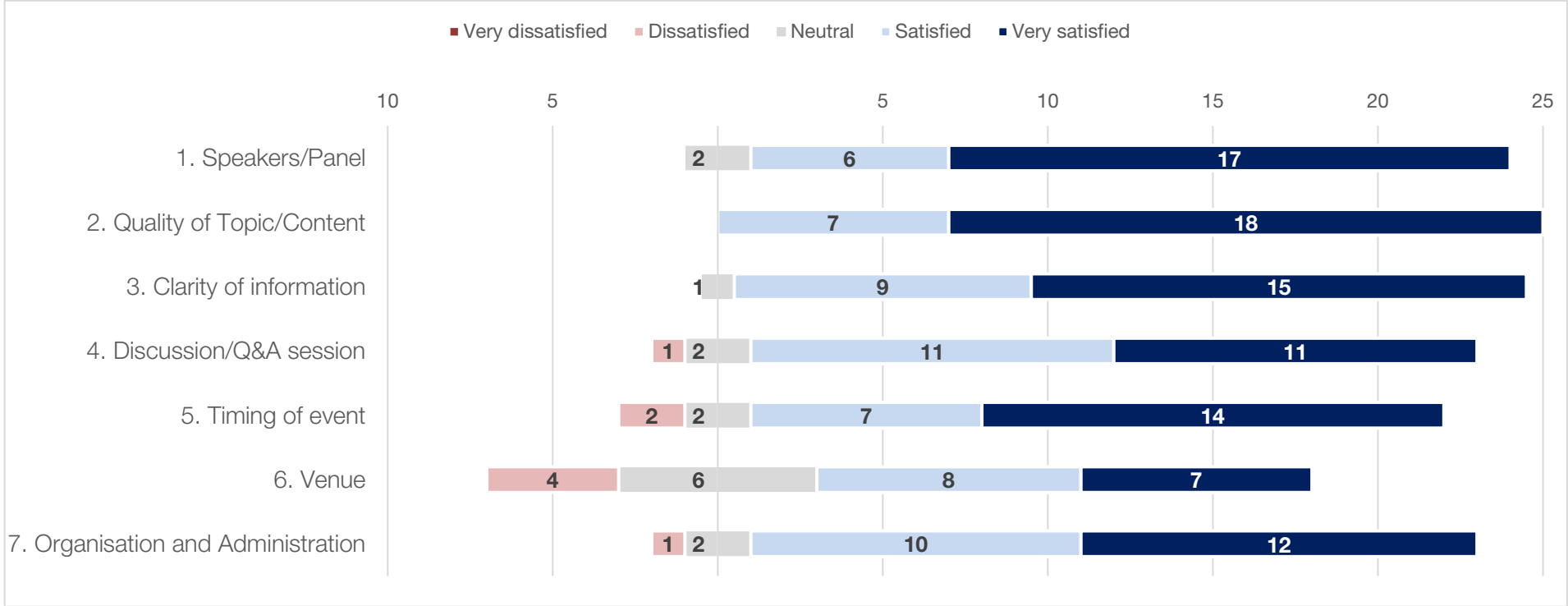
Participants were asked how satisfied they were with particular aspects of the event. They were given a choice between Very Satisfied, Satisfied, Neutral, Dissatisfied and Very Dissatisfied. Each ranking was given a weighting of 5 (very satisfied) to 1 (very dissatisfied). Below are two graphs, one showing the weighted averages and the other the counts of each rating within each category. Respondents were also given the opportunity to comment on their ratings. Some of these are listed below.

A sample of comments left by respondents:

- This was a great session - careful, detailed and appropriate.
- A competent and future relevant presentation.
- The venue was a bit small for the number of people attending. Unfortunately, the guest speaker wasn't close enough to the mic.
- Excellent work. I particularly found the emphasis on brief, clear *questions* for the discussion helped with keeping it civil. The speaker was clear and direct, and addressed the questions similarly, without dodging them.
- Speaker's topic and knowledge excellent, graphs fuzzy and remote as viewed from back half of room (the tiered lecture theatre in the next building was vacant, a pity we were not in there), the event manager should have made the people with questions from the audience stand up- or give them a microphone, no fresh air in the room, way above 400ppm, so stuffy, beautiful supper, thank you.
- The room was a bit small but I imagine the organisers were sure of the numbers in attendance until close to the event itself making changing the venue difficult.
- The size of the venue is good for this speaker's volume being heard by most audiences in the seminar room though still very squeezing.
- I was sitting near the back of the room and had trouble seeing the bottom half of the slides (they were obscured by audience members in front of me).
- I (and some others less familiar with ANU) had a bit of trouble finding the venue. Suggest a map or clearer instructions if using the same venue again.
- A pity not to put this on in a bigger venue and one that catered for the speaker's disability
- Difficult to locate the venue and no parking.



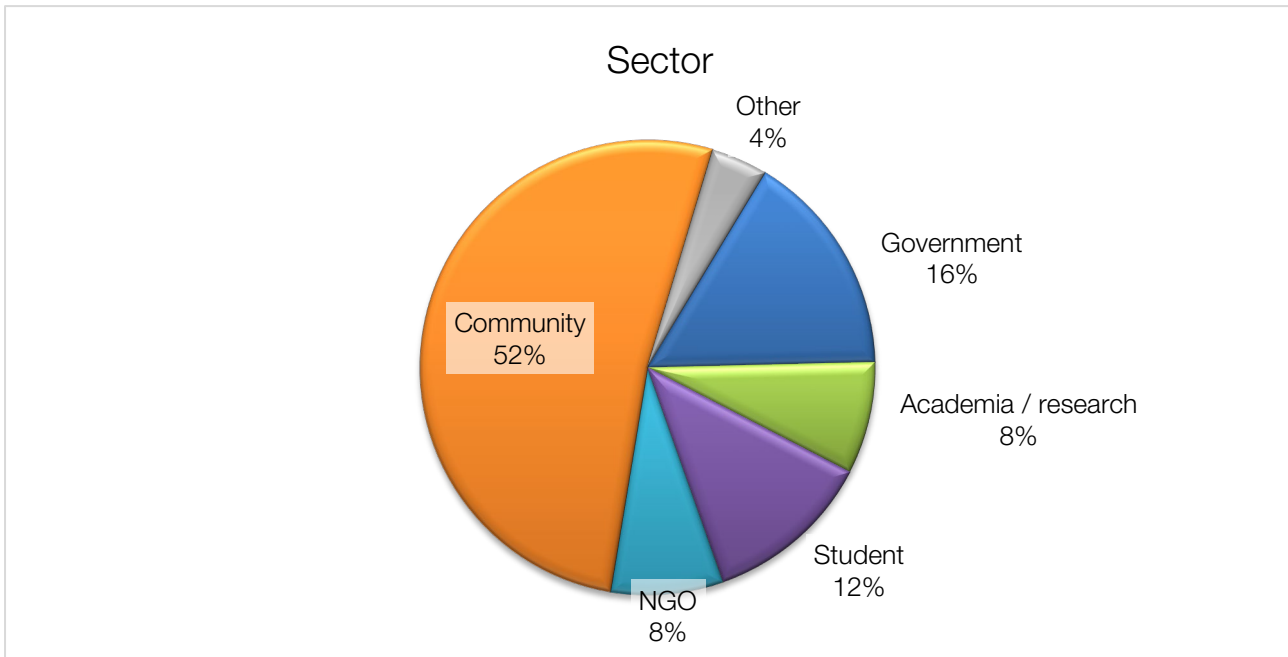
Based on 100% of respondents who answered this question



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Sector

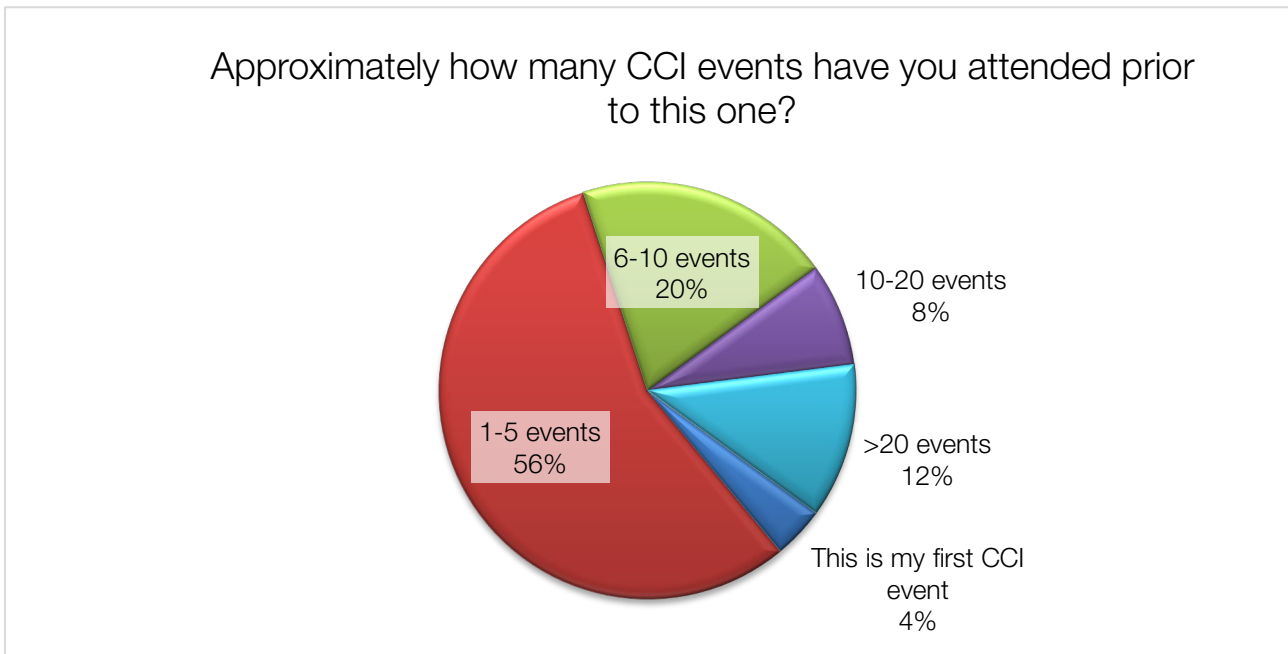
Participants were asked what sector they best represent at the event.



Based on 100% of respondents who answered this question

Number of CCI Events attended

Four percent (4%) of respondents indicated that this was their first ANU Climate Change institute event while the rest had attended previous CCI events.



Based on 100% of respondents who answered this question

Additional comments

Additional comments were mostly to say thanks for the great event. A sample of these:

- Thank you!
- Excellently informative. Doesn't disconfirm the view that there are rapidly approaching, hardly abated, anthropogenic, likely pathogenic changes to global climate - fatal, at least, to global human civilisation as we know it.
- An absolutely sensational presentation!
- As above, glad I came, but had difficulties hearing, seeing and breathing in that room!
- This was a very good event, but it would have been enhanced if it was held in a proper lecture theatre. It seems that it was booked out so a larger venue would have allowed more people to attend.
- Excellent presentation
- Excellent, thanks!
- Thanks, keep up the good work
- Would enjoy more of these forums. Advertising widely is important.

The ANU Climate Change Institute (CCI) is seeking your feedback on this event. We'd like to learn from you so that we can improve the value of future events for attendees.

By voluntarily completing this evaluation, you provide your informed consent to participate: *I have read and understood the Information Sheet you have given me about the research project, and I have had any questions and concerns about the project addressed to my satisfaction.*

Please complete the questions below and select submit when done.

Thank you for participating in today's event, and for taking the time to complete this evaluation. We really appreciate you sharing your perspectives with us. If you have any questions about this or future events, please email climate@anu.edu.au

1. How would you rate this event?

1 star	2 stars	3 stars	4 stars	5 stars
				

2. How satisfied were you with each of the following:

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Speakers/Panel	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of Topic/Content	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Clarity of information	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discussion/Q&A session	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Timing of event	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Venue	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Organisation and Administration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Please comment about your ratings.	<input type="text"/>				

3. What sector are you from? (Please tick the sector which best represents you at this event.)

- Government
- Business
- Academia / research
- Student
- NGO
- Community
- Other (please specify)

4. Approximately how many CCI events have you attended prior to this one?

- This is my first CCI event
- 1-5 events
- 6-10 events
- 10-20 events
- >20 events

5. Please provide any additional comments here.