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THE FUTURE OF DECISION MAKING

Nobel Prize Dialogue Sydney Virtual Event

Friday, 16 June 2023, 2:45pm - 6:30pm AEST

THE FUTURE OF DECISION MAKING:
FROM PERSONAL CHOICE TO PLANETARY IMPACT

Goals

1. Explore decision-making processes from a neuro-biological perspective
2. Understand the impact of the digital revolution on decision-making processes
3. Debate ideas for improving democratic processes to enable better, more inclusive global decision making
4. Offer actionable, practical solutions to develop and implement through post-event collaboration

Topics for Discussion

Session One – *Decision Making in Uncertain Times*

- How do people make decisions? Who influences our decisions? Do we have free will, or to what extent are we influenced by ‘group think’?
- What are the current challenges facing democratic processes in decision making?

Session Two – *Democracy in the Digital Age*

- How can we manage the benefits and risks of digital tools in democratic decision making?
- With the release of powerful new AI technologies that have quickly gained hundreds of millions of users, what might be the influence of these, combined with immersive tech and social media, on decision-making processes?
- What forms of governance help support long-term decision making around complex issues?

Session Three – *The Future of Decision Making*

- What kinds of engagement models are best suited to dealing with wicked problems and grand challenges?
- How can deliberative processes help navigate polarisation?
- How can we encourage young people to contribute to decision making today?