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## Brownfield risk comes to Melbourne

BROWNFIELD EXPOSURE, the risk of polluted sites, is coming to Melbourne in September when world experts will discuss the hazards.

They will be meeting at the OTEK Sustainable Risk Rationalisation (SRR) Conference 2010 – An International Learning Experience.

The OTEK Conference has developed over the past 3 years as a unique event said to provide a practical hands on approach to reducing risks created by the redevelopment of brownfield or, more commonly named, polluted sites.

Delegates will hear from 29 leading experts in their field drawn from Australia, China and the USA on September 2 and 3 at the Melbourne Conference and Exhibition Centre.

On the legal panel will be Robert Jamieson and Jane Hall, partner & senior associate - Blake Dawson, addressing the topic "A legal perspective on turning brown to green in Australia".

This will include an Overview of liability for brownfields sites; Impact of the planning system; Purchasing a brownfields site: disclosure obligations of seller, the limitations of contractual risk management, and the special position in South Australia, obligation to report contamination to regulators. They will add: "Some case studies where it didn't quite go right."

Mike Baker, vice president casualty Asia Pacific, Liberty International Underwriters, (Australia/Asia).

He will speak on: "Environmental liability insurance – an overview. An overview of environmental products in the Australian marketplace. LIU experience (using case studies). LIU Asia experience and trends.

Simone Rollason, of Chartis Insurance (Australia) will address the topic of "Insurance options to mitigate risk for stakeholders undertaking environmental clean-ups."

This will include "The Types of stakeholders involved in environmental insurance. Professional indemnity insurance, public and pollution liability insurance. The importance of QA/QC and uninsured risks."

Information and online registration at the conference web site at [www.srr-otek.com.au](http://www.srr-otek.com.au).

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## Man who greened the Governor visi

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING and remediation consultant OTEK is bringing the man who persuaded Arnie Schwarzenegger to change his environmental ways to Melbourne for its 2010 sustainable risk rationalisation conference early next month.

OTEK said that Terry Tamminen even managed to convince the California "Governator" to trade in his gas-guzzling Hummer for something more environmentally appropriate.

He will be among 29 leading experts on environmental sustainability from Australia, China and the US at the SSR Conference – an International Learning Experience in Melbourne on September 2 and 3.

Other speakers include Chinese environmental protection expert Sun Yichao and Ric Scofield, the former BP Global Technical Assurance manager for remediation management.

OTEK said that over 3 years the company had successfully developed a unique event that provided a practical hands on approach to reducing risks created by the redevelopment of brownfield sites, more commonly described as polluted sites.

There will be dedicated streams on legal and insurance risks, including presentations by Chartis and Liberty International Underwriters, bringing together viewpoints from Australian, China and America.

"This conference also represents as a truly International financial and governmental perspective on the environmental issues surrounding Brownfield developments," OTEK said.

Details and online registration at [www.srr-otek.com.au](http://www.srr-otek.com.au) DE

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## **CONFERENCE WORLD** **Brownfield attracts the risk diggers**

THE RISK DIGGERS – that is the world experts and those that care about the environment – will meet in Melbourne next week for the OTEK SRR Conference 2010 including speakers from Chartis and Liberty International.

The conference organisers say world experts will "get down and dirty" at the OTEK Sustainable Risk Rationalisation (SRR) Conference – An International Learning Experience will be held on September 2 and 3 at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The conference has successfully developed over the past 3 years as an event providing a practical approach to reducing risks created by the redevelopment of "brownfield "or, more commonly named, polluted sites.

Some 29 environment sustainability experts drawn from Australia, China and the USA will address the conference.

One of China's environmental protection experts Sun Yichao and former BP global technical assurance manager for remediation management Ric Scofield are among the speakers.

The conference has streams on legal and insurance risks, including presentations by Chartis and Liberty International Underwriters.

Conference speakers will reveal international financial and governmental perspectives on the environmental issues surrounding Brownfield developments.

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