

# Urban greenery and mitigation of the urban heat island effect in Australian cities: policy mechanisms and implementation

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### Research aim

Analyse the effects of policy on urban greenery, applying theories of sustainability transitions.







# Research question

■ *Question 1:* What policies can be applied to retain and maximise urban greenery?

International and Australian literature review; case studies and interviews

Develop a framework of Australian governments' policy and planning mechanisms







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• Question 2: How can theories of sustainability transitions inform and support policy development and implementation processes?

Case studies and interviews







### Theories of sustainability transitions

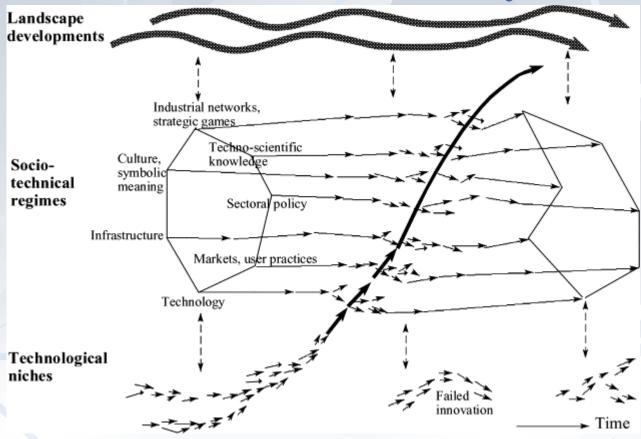


Figure: A dynamic multi-level perspective on TT.

Source: Geels, 2002, Technological transitions as evolutionary reconfiguration processes: a multi-level

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perspective and a case-study. Research Policy, Volume 31, 1257 - 1274





## Progress to date

- Completed subjects in research methods & analysis
- Submission (*in progress*) of journal article on indicators for urban greenery in research & policy
- Developing pilot research project on application of theories of sustainability transitions to organisational strategic & business planning
- Undertaking subject on Australian public policy



