

PROFILE

Dr Brian Young: PhD (*University of Cambridge; Physical Chemistry*), MSc. (*NSW*), BSc (*Hons; NSW*) is the Managing Director of Envirosafe International Pty Ltd, an independent technical consultancy, working in the areas of energy, environment and waste resource management. He was previously the Manager of Environmental Technology at HRL Technology Pty Ltd from late 1997 to 1999. He has 30 years experience in coal related activities, 17 years being associated specifically with briquetting of coal and other materials such as biomass, metals, minerals, paper, plastics, and steel waste residues.

Dr Young's international career has successfully spanned more than fifteen years as CEO, Board Director, Manager (research, project, and sales) and independent consultant in charge of technology commercialisation, marketing, and sales in scientific/industrial product innovation and services. Ten years of his career was spent in North America, initially in Canada and more recently in USA. He spent most of last decade working at the University of North Dakota Energy and Environmental Center in Grand Forks following 20 years at CSIRO in Sydney, Australia.

Dr Young's coal and briquetting experience encompasses the following organizations – CSIRO, University of North Dakota Energy and Environmental Research Center, HRL Technology, and Envirosafe International. He has managed R&D and applied projects on briquetting, coal combustion and gasification, and environmental issues for a diverse range of clients - companies, government agencies and departments, and institutes - in various countries, including USA, Japan, Czech Republic, Macedonia, Thailand, and Australia. He is currently First Vice President and Board member of the Institute for Briquetting and Agglomeration based in the USA. His international reputation in briquetting, coal technology, and carbon-based materials is supported by over 160 publications, including over 30 papers and reports on briquetting topics, along with invited lectures, seminars and conference presentations.

As well as a member of IBA for greater than 15 years, he also holds membership of the American Chemical Society, Royal Australian Institute of Chemistry, and the Australian Institute of Energy, of which he has been Chair of the Melbourne Branch since February 2003.

His wife, Anne, is a keen supporter of the IBA and enjoys the admirable fellowship, fun and conviviality experienced at the exciting locations of its conferences. Brian and Anne also frequently travel interstate and overseas to visit their six grandchildren, only half of whom currently live in Australia.

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