We cordially invite you to join us for our seminar on:

**DEVELOPING A FLEXIBLE, HIGH RESOLUTION AND POLICY-RELEVANT COMPOSITE INDEX OF URBAN LIVEABILITY IN AUSTRALIA.**

**PRESENTED BY: CARL HIGGS**

Carl Higgs (MPH) is an epidemiologist and researcher in the Healthy Liveable Cities group of the Centre for Urban Research at RMIT University in Melbourne, Australia. Carl's research applies spatial data analysis and visualization to investigate relationships between service delivery equity, health and wellbeing. Key focus areas include superdiversity, housing, social and green infrastructure and liveability in urban and regional contexts.

Designing healthy liveable cities is a global priority. In Australia, urban liveability has been increasingly recognised in state and federal urban planning policies as an important determinant of population health and wellbeing. This presentation will report on the work undertaken through the NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence in Healthy Liveable Communities to develop a policy relevant definition of liveability; a suite of measurable indicators across the domains of transport, social infrastructure, employment, walkability, housing, green infrastructure and ambient environment; and a high resolution, composite measure of local neighbourhood urban liveability, scalable to the national level, as a support tool for policy makers and planners.

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