IAIA Resettlement and Livelihoods Symposium - Citizens Jury

Can resettlement lead to communities being better off?

A Citizens' Jury uses the symbolism of trial by jury for participatory decision-making

Chair: Daniel Franks, Centre for Social Responsibility in Mining, University of Queensland
Facilitators: Gillian Cornish and Lidewij van der Ploeg
Jurors: You! Ten jurors randomly selected
Expert witnesses: Symposium presenters, panelists, participants

Jury Instructions:

Gather evidence during the symposium from the presentations and panel sessions. Ask these ‘expert witnesses’ during the Q&A sessions (or afterward) questions to help you reach your verdict. Identify yourself as a juror when asking a question. Solicit opinions from all symposium participants who will try to sway you with persuasive arguments.

Meet during each lunch break (Tuesday & Wednesday) to consider the available evidence and arrive at a verdict. A table or eating space will be set aside for the jury.

Elect a foreperson. The foreperson will support jury deliberations and ensure all juror perspectives are heard and a consensus verdict is reached.

Deliver the verdict at the final symposium session. The verdict is a simple yes, or, no, to the proposition; an explanation of the rationale; and 5 recommendations on future policy or practice in response to the verdict.