



# In Coherence

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## Making Grand Connections

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Put the following dates in your diary now!

### CXS International Workshop 2011

Proposed dates:

October 10 - 12, 2011

Bio21

University of Melbourne

More details will be coming soon.



Guest Speakers Henry Kapteyn and Margaret Murnane

### 4th Annual XFEL Workshop

Proposed dates:

August 28 - September 1, 2011

Palm Cove, Cairns, Qld

More details will be coming soon.

The annual End of Year Review and celebrations took on an added dimension on the 3rd December 2010 when CXS members and Growing Tall Poppies students joined forces in a joint Review Day and Growing Tall Poppies (GTP) Alumni Conference Day.

Delegates were welcomed to the official opening by Professor Robert Saint, the Dean of Science at the University of Melbourne, and the Sidney Myer Asia Centre in Swanston Street Carlton provided the perfect setting for the day's activities.

Guest speaker Professor Margaret Murnane from the University of Colorado, USA, presented an inspiring opening talk encouraging women in physics. The 100 strong audience was made up of CXS members, GTP alumni, parents, Schools First representatives, and teachers and students from secondary colleges

from across Melbourne. It was a delight to see the excited GTP students so eager to demonstrate the results of their projects and take time out to relive their experiences of working in a real-life scientific environment.

At lunch many people from CXS and GTP participated in the filming of a GTP promotional video and the celebrations continued as retiring member Professor Peter Hannaford from Swinburne University of Technology was recognised for his outstanding contribution to CXS. Peter has been in integral part of CXS since its inception in 2005 and his colleagues wished him well for the future by presenting him with a farewell cake.

After lunch CXS members departed to the Carrillo Gantner lecture theatre to discuss CXS strategies leading into 2011 and beyond, while the GTP Conference participants moved upstairs to the Hiraoka Myer Room to listen to an informative talk from guest speaker, Professor Henry Kapteyn, also from the University of Colorado.

After Professor Kapteyn's talk the GTP group participated in breakout sessions

workshopping ways of making science relevant to secondary school students.

To end the proceedings both groups came together in the outdoor entertainment area for refreshments and further discussion.

The day was a resounding success and will go down in the CXS and GTP history books.



Prof Robert Saint's Opening Address



GTP Breakout Session