

Lorraine Gordon Bio

Lorraine is the Founder and Chair of the National Regenerative Agriculture Alliance (www.scu.edu.au/regenerativeag). Lorraine acts as a conduit between industry and research, delivering regenerative agriculture solutions nationally with a focus on mitigating the effects of climate change. She was the instigator and co-designer of the Bachelor of Science in Regenerative at Southern Cross University – the only degree of its kind in the world and now the largest agricultural degree in the country. Lorraine currently works as Principal Natural Capital Standards Australia with Çlimate Friendly (www.climatefriendly.com) and in essential minerals looking at methane reduction for the livestock sector globally.

As Director of the Commonwealth Government's Farming Together Program, she has assisted over 28,500 farmers, fishers, and foresters in progressing collaborative projects, including establishing Cooperatives that will benefit their industries. Lorraine was awarded the 2018 Rural Community Leader of the Year for Australia for her work with farmers, the 2019 Australian Financial Review Award, and the 2019 BHERT Higher Education Engagement Award. She was also a finalist for the 2020 Australian of the Year Award.

As a Director of **Moffat Falls Pastoral Company (www.moffatfalls.com.au)**, Lorraine is also a **registered carbon farmer and beef cattle trader** at Ebor in the New England Tablelands of NSW, finishing around 1000 steers annually for the MSA Grassfed market.

Previous positions have included Director of Strategic Projects at Southern Cross University, CEO of Regional Development Australia Mid North Coast, Regional Agribusiness Manager with Westpac Bank, Director of the Graduate Network of the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation, and Executive Director of Economic Security for Women. Lorraine has also presided on the Small Business Review Panel of the Reserve Bank of Australia.

A Graduate of the Australian Rural Leadership Program and previous NSW ABC Rural Woman of the Year, Lorraine's Ph.D. is in Ecological Economics through UNE, looking at a triple bottom line comparison and resilience between regenerative and conventional grazing systems in a changing climate.