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Geoff Dennis is the Executive Director of Facilities Management at QUT. Geoff has led sustainability in various roles at two large universities over a period of 22 years. After winning TEFMA’s Maurie Pawsey Scholarship Award, Geoff became a member of the TEFMA Board for six years and was TEFMA President in 2007. In 2008 Geoff was awarded TEFMA’s Distinguished Service Award.

He has a Master of Business (Sustainability) and is passionate about the preservation of natural environments and ecosystems. Outside of work Geoff is a keen amateur bird and wildlife photographer.

**Beyond Sustainability**

The term “sustainability” continues to be used as a special “thing”. This is no longer the case; it is now an essential element of business as usual, particularly in the higher education sector.

This presentation will illustrate QUT’s sustainability journey over the last four years and the formulation of a Sustainability Action Plan that we hope to embed into QUT as “essential normal business”.