

Gold Coast International Hotel



Located in the heart of Surfers Paradise, the Gold Coast International Hotel is one of the larger convention facilities on the Coast, the 16 meeting rooms offer a variety of flexible options for meetings, intimate functions or large-scale conferences.

The Hotel boasts 296 recently refurbished rooms that enjoy views of the ocean or the lights of the Gold Coast and spectacular Hinterland. The Hotel has an outdoor heated pool with seasonal swim-up bar, tennis courts, a gymnasium, sauna, spa and an in-house Day Spa that will ensure you enjoy your experience each time at the Gold Coast International Hotel.

For the evenings when guests have time to themselves, they can dine Teppanyaki-style or enjoy traditional Japanese food at 'Yamagen', delight in a breakfast buffet or seafood buffet in the 'Patio Restaurant', or experience the well renowned hot rock dishes from 'Lygon Street' whilst overlooking the swimming pool. For a relaxing drink at the end of the day the inviting Lava Bar offers a great selection of wines and delicious cocktails.



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National and Trans Tasman
Horticultural Science Conference

Smart Science for Innovation in Horticultural Enterprises

July 21-23, 2008
Gold Coast International Hotel,
Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia

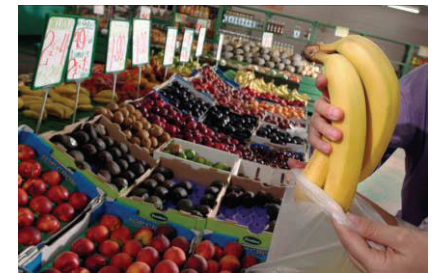


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Invitation

Dear friends and colleagues

On behalf of the organising committee, we are pleased to present to you the first and only announcement on the National and Trans-Tasman Horticultural Science conference. It will be held at the Gold Coast International Hotel, Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia on 21-23 July 2008 by the Australian Society of Horticultural Science and the New Zealand Institute of Agricultural and Horticultural Science.

The title of the conference is "Smart Science for Innovative Horticultural Enterprises". The focus of the presentations, workshops and debate is to explore how innovation in science can benefit commercial enterprises, faced with ever-changing environmental influences.

While there will be a number of keynote addresses relevant to the main topic areas the main aim is to encourage participation from all conference delegates through workshops and an active debate. There will be opportunity for delegates to present their current work through oral and poster presentations throughout the conference program.

Craig Henderson, Conference Chair

Program

Sunday 20 July

Arrival and welcome function

Monday 21 July

Welcome and official opening

Climate & Environment—How is horticulture responding?

Concurrent workshops on horticultural plant breeding, understanding & managing water in horticultural cropping, functional foods, Modern horticultural extension, modeling—3D plant structures.

Tuesday 22 July

Internationally Competitive Horticulture Industries—What Smart Science is being done?

Concurrent workshops on innovative supply chains, sustainable soil management, new sciences, lifestyle, really high value horticulture, mechatronics in horticulture.

Wednesday 23 July

Businesses applying science—Is science making a real difference to business outcomes? Horticultural science making a difference — applications in business

The Great Debate—International trends—a world of controversy. Is science supporting, avoiding or clashing with international trends?

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Keynote speakers

Dr Mark Howden—Theme Leader - Adaptive Primary Industries and Enterprises, CSIRO will speak on climate change impacts and adaptation from a horticulture perspective.

Professor John Billingsly—Professor (Mechatronics Engineering), University of Southern Queensland will speak on case studies demonstrating innovative mechatronic/robotic technologies in horticultural systems.

Dr Max Suckling, Science Leader (Biosecurity), HortResearch .

Sarah Pennell, General Manager, Professional Services, Horticulture Australia Ltd

Call for abstracts

Authors are invited to submit an abstract, preferably addressing one of the themes:

- Climate & Environment
- Internationally competitive horticulture industries
- Horticultural science making a difference—applications in business
- A world of controversy—Is science making a real difference to business outcomes?

Authors should indicate their preference for oral or poster. Submit abstracts to Professor Richard Williams by emailing richard.williams@uq.edu.au by

Friday 20 April 2008

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