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Bushfire 2016: Connecting Science, People and Practice Sponsorship Prospectus

The Event

Bushfire 2016: Connecting Science, People and Practice (Bushfire 2016) is a national bushfire conference to be held on **28 - 30th September, at the University of Queensland, St Lucia campus, Brisbane.**



Hosted and coordinated by the **South East Queensland Fire and Biodiversity Consortium** (SEQ Fire and Biodiversity Consortium), **Bushfire 2016** will be an engaging, informative and inspiring conference squarely aimed at connecting fire scientists, ecologists and students with onground fire operators, public land managers, land managers (e.g. natural resources, weed/pest, biodiversity), utility operators, planners and other fire and environmental professionals.

With a focus on applied fire ecology, fire management research, Traditional Owner fire projects and collaborative fire programs, we aim to showcase successful partnerships that translate science into practice for beneficial onground fire management and environmental outcomes, whilst supporting land owners, land managers and scientists. **Bushfire 2016** is a chance to engage and network with Australia's best fire scientists and onground managers – an opportunity to learn something new and build invaluable partnerships.

Bushfire 2016 offers two days of concurrent sessions set in the beautiful grounds of the University of Queensland, with a catered poster session on the Wednesday evening. With further events and field trips to be announced we encourage you to join our mailing list to ensure you receive updates and alerts (visit: www.fireandbiodiversity.org.au). Places are limited and based on enquiries to date we expect to see a great deal of interest when registrations open soon.



JOIN US FOR
Bushfire 2016
Connecting Science, People & Practice

UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND
SEPTEMBER 28th - 30th 2016

For more information on this national conference, contact the SEQ Fire and Biodiversity Consortium:
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Register for our e-news & updates:
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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS
Professor Ross Bradstock
Director - Centre for Environmental Risk Management of Bushfires, University of Wollongong
Dr Neil Burrows
Senior Principal Research Scientist - Department of Parks and Wildlife, Western Australia
Associate Professor Alan York
Head - Fire & Biodiversity Research Program, University of Melbourne
More to come...

Set to be the premier bushfire event of 2016, Bushfire 2016 will feature internationally recognised keynote speakers:

- **Professor Ross Bradstock**
Director - Centre for Environmental Risk Management of Bushfires, University of Wollongong;
- **Dr Neil Burrows**
Senior Principal Research Scientist - Department of Parks and Wildlife, Western Australia; and
- **Associate Professor Alan York**
Head - Fire & Biodiversity Research Program, University of Melbourne.

Themes that are proposed for inclusion include:

- fire, flora and fungi;
- fire and fauna (including vertebrate pests);
- Indigenous and Traditional Owner fire projects;
- fire management for linear corridors (i.e. power infrastructure lines, rail, road);
- climate change, soils and fire;
- fire and land management;
- collaborative fire projects (i.e. successful stakeholder and community engagement); and
- fire, risk and biodiversity.



Who Will Attend?

As the oldest collaborative organisation of its kind in Australia, the SEQ Fire and Biodiversity Consortium has an extensive network of sponsors, contributors and supporters, both in SEQ and interstate. This includes over 760 people on our *e news* list, over 40 members in our Research Working Group and regular over-subscription to our very successful biannual forum series (i.e. one-day mini conference). We have extensive experience and expertise in organising such events and are excited about the calibre of speakers and supporting organisations involved in **Bushfire 2016**.

As such, and based on interested to date, we expect to attract delegates from across Queensland and the nation. We are confident that we will see representatives from a wide range of institutions, organisations and groups, including (but not limited to):

- researchers, academics, and students;
- local and state governments;
- fire management agencies;
- emergency service bodies;
- infrastructure and utility companies;
- natural resource management bodies;
- Traditional Owner groups;
- land holders;
- conservation groups and
- private consultants.

Who We Are

Established in 1998, the SEQ Fire and Biodiversity Consortium aims to *translate science into practice for improve fire management and biodiversity conservation in south east Queensland*. Specifically, the SEQ Fire and Biodiversity Consortium is a network of land managers and stakeholders devoted to providing a coordinated response and best-practice recommendations for fire management, fire ecology and the conservation of biodiversity in the south east Queensland region through education, community engagement, applied research, representation, knowledge brokering, advice and facilitated change.

For the 2014/2015 financial year, the SEQ Fire and Biodiversity Consortium received financial support from: Brisbane City Council, Gold Coast City Council, Ipswich City Council, Lockyer Valley Regional Council, Logan City Council, Moreton Bay Regional Council, Redlands City Council, Scenic Rim Regional Council, Somerset Regional Council, South Burnett Regional Council, Sunshine Coast Regional Council, Toowoomba Regional Council, Powerlink Queensland, the Queensland Fire & Emergency Service (Fire and Rescue Brisbane Region and Rural Fire Service Queensland), the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, SEQ Catchments and SEQ Water. This impressive list of 17 supporting organisations reflects the broad support for the SEQ Fire and Biodiversity Consortium in SEQ and illustrates our active and dedicated membership over the past 18 years.



Sponsorship Opportunities

Please note we have filled all the Gold Sponsorship places at this stage and are now seeking further Silver and Bronze sponsors.

We are pleased to offer three tiers of sponsorship for **Bushfire 2016**.

Gold - \$5000 (+GST):

- Four complimentary registrations;
- Display stall in the central conference hall;
- Inclusion of your logo on the conference website with a hotlink to your website;
- Inclusion of your logo and blurb in the conference booklet;
- Inclusion of your logo on a PowerPoint slide to be displayed in the plenary room;
- Opportunity for a pull up banner to be displayed in the plenary room;
- Opportunity to address the conference; and
- Inclusion of promotional material in the conference registration pack.

Silver - \$2500 (+GST):

- One complimentary registration;
- Display stall in the central conference hall;
- Inclusion of your logo on the conference website with a hotlink to your website;
- Inclusion of your logo and blurb in the conference booklet;
- Inclusion of your logo on a PowerPoint slide to be displayed in the plenary room;
- Opportunity for a pull up banner to be displayed in the speaking room; and
- Inclusion of promotional material in the conference registration pack.

Bronze - \$1500 (+GST)

- One complimentary registration *or* display space in the central conference hall;
- Inclusion of your logo on the conference website with a hotlink to your website;
- Inclusion of your logo and blurb in the conference booklet;
- Inclusion of your logo on a PowerPoint slide to be displayed in the plenary room; and
- Inclusion of promotional material in the conference registration pack.

In addition to these packages, we also have a number of other dedicated sponsorship opportunities, including: student travel grants, poster session with drinks and field trips. For more information please contact **SEQ Fire and Biodiversity Consortium** Manager, Dr Sam Lloyd at: sllloyd@seqcatchments.com.au or on 0438 008 668.

We look forward to seeing you there!