

Innovation in Agriculture - Opportunities and Constraints

A forum hosted by the WA Division of the Ag Institute Australia



Forum Registration Pack

Wednesday 19 August, 2015

8:30 am - 5:30 pm, followed by a cocktail function

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About the forum

Where will Australian agriculture be in 10-20 years, as it continues its trajectory towards ever greater productivity and profitability?

How will the industry foster the innovations needed from science, agribusiness and producers that have made Australian agricultural technology the envy of the world, with the WA contribution at the forefront?

Are there factors that conspire to smother innovation, and what actions are required to minimise their impact?

These are some of the issues to be discussed at this one-day forum, featuring presentations from innovative producers, RD&E scientists and agribusiness specialists who will look at the opportunities and constraints to positioning and moving agriculture into its pivotal future.

The topics and calibre of speakers will ensure that this participatory forum will provoke debate and be an excellent networking and professional development platform.

A final workshop will formulate conclusions that may be used to inform Government and industry of event findings.

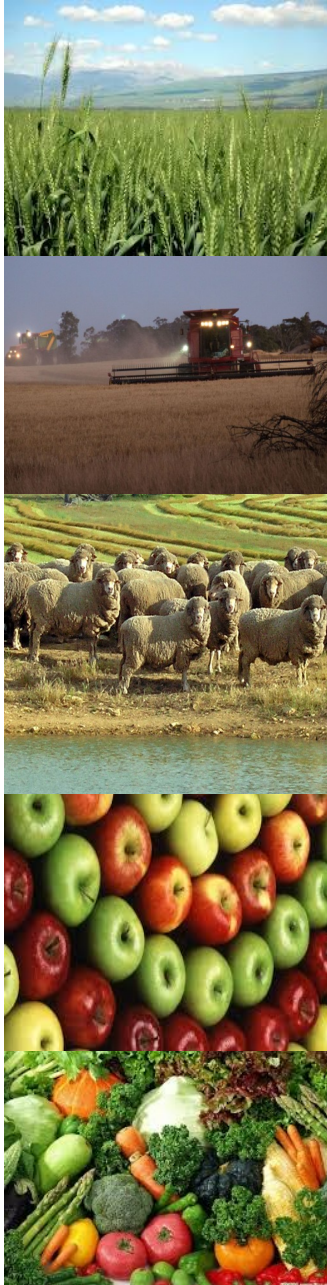
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Forum Program

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	Description	Presenter
8:00 am	Registrations open	
8:30 am	Welcome	Dr Michael Robertson, CSIRO Forum Organising Committee Chair
8:45 am	Opening	Hon Ken Baston Minister for Agriculture and Food
Topic 1: Technology development and its uptake; innovations by producers Chair: James Fisher, of Desiree Futures		
9:00 am	The nature of the adoption process in agriculture	Professor David Pannell, UWA Head of School of Agricultural and Resource Economics
9:30 am	Grain producer's perspective – how I have utilised innovation on my farm	Chris Reichstein, Esperance grain grower and Nuffield Scholar 2014
9:50 am	Livestock producer's outlook – how I have innovated on my farm	Craig Forsyth, Dongara cattle producer and Mingenew-Irwin Group Chair
10:10 am	Cropping farmer's point of view – the role of grower groups in fostering innovation	Erin Green, cropping farmer from the Northern Agricultural Region
10:30 am	Questions for panel members	
10:45 am	Morning tea	
Topic 2: How science fosters innovation; the role of RDCs Chair: Dr Kelly Pearce, of Murdoch University		
11:15 am	Consultant's view - how does innovation happen on farm?	Danielle England, agricultural consultant and RIRDC winner 2013
11:35 am	How does science foster innovation?	Dr David Ireland, CSIRO General Manager of International, Precincts and Innovation Systems
12:05 pm	How can the RDCs foster innovation and not smother it?	Mark Sweetingham, Department of Agriculture and Food WA – Grains Industry Executive Director
12:25 pm	Questions to the panel	
12:40 pm	Lunch and displays	
Topic 3: What are the constraints to innovation, and how serious? Chair: Prof. Bob Belford, formerly of Curtin University		
1:30pm	Reaping the benefits of innovation - the Australian cotton industry story	David Hamilton, AIA Chair
1:50 pm	Public sector Rural Development and Extension (RD&E) - is it fostering innovation or getting in the way?	Mick Keogh OAM, Australian Farm Institute Executive Director
2:20 pm	Building the evidence and the rigour – combining science and experience	Dr Bill Ryan, GRDC western panel member
2:40 pm	Questions for the panel	
3:00 pm	Afternoon tea	
3:30 pm	Breakout groups to discuss principles and recommendations	
4:15 pm	Findings and conclusions	
4:30 pm	Close of forum	Lynette Abbott, AIA (WA Division) President
4:45 pm	Cocktail function	Short presentation by AEGIC Chief Executive Officer David Fienberg

Registration

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Early Bird Registrations have now closed.

Full Registrations apply from 1 July, 2015

AIA Members	\$190
Non Members	\$300
Students	\$120

Bookings

<https://tas.currinda.com/register/event/1245>

Registration and payment may be made online.

A tax invoice will be issued at time of online payment.

Phone 02 9431 8657 for payment inquiries.

Benefits

Registration gives you

- One-day registration, includes post-event cocktail function
- AIA Folder with conference information, contacts, papers and presentations
- Networking opportunities
- Coverage of relevant and topical challenges in agriculture
- Great venue, easily accessible, with free parking
- Exposure to Ag Institute Australia and an invitation to become a member at a special conference rate

Special AIA Membership Offer for Non Members

Apply to become a new AIA member in 2016, within a month of the forum and receive free membership for the remainder of 2015.

Non Members are encouraged to take advantage of this offer when they book for the conference, as they would then receive the discounted member rates. Non Members may sign up for the membership deal and book for the event at —

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Venue

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The *Innovation in Agriculture - Opportunities and Constraints* forum will be held at the Pagoda Resort & Spa (Como), in the Pagoda Ballroom. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be served in the Pagoda Pre-Function lobby and a cocktail function will follow the forum in the ballroom.

The 4.5-star international Pagoda Resort & Spa offers a selection of deluxe studios, serviced apartments and accommodation. It is nestled on the banks of the Swan River and is five minutes from the Perth CBD.

Getting There

Map: Please visit Google Maps and enter Pagoda Resort & Spa — www.googlemaps.com.au

The resort is surrounded by free street parking, alternatively delegates may choose to park their own car in the Pagoda Resort & Spa secure facility at a reduced rate of \$8.00 per vehicle, per day.

Cocktail function

A cocktail function will be held in the Pagoda Ballroom from about 5pm.

Accommodation

Interstate and country delegates — attend the forum and enjoy overnight accommodation at the luxurious Pagoda Resort & Spa.

For more information please visit E: www.pagoda.com.au or call PH: +61 (0)8 9367 0300.

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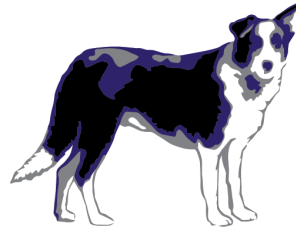
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Please note that it is essential for all participants to send in a completed registration form together with payment of the applicable registration fee.

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REGISTRATION CATEGORY	EARLY BIRD on or before 30 June 2015	FULL RATE on or after 1 July 2015
AIA Member	\$150.00	\$190.00
Non-member	\$240.00	\$300.00
Student	\$120.00	\$120.00

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Name.....
Position.....
Organisation.....
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PRIVACY ACT: YES ☐ / NO ☐ I agree/do not agree to my name, organisation and email address being included in the delegate attendance list to be made available to Forum delegates only.

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Cancellations must be notified in writing to the AIA National Office. After Monday 20 July 2015 a cancellation fee of \$50.00 applies. A substitute delegate is welcome to attend. Name of substitute must be provided to the National Office two days before the event. This notice becomes a Tax Invoice on receipt of payment, please keep a copy.

PAYMENT METHODS

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