



**AUSTRALIAN
BANANA INDUSTRY
CONGRESS 2017**

SUSTAINABILITY, RESILIENCE, INNOVATION

22-24 JUNE 2017 | SHERATON ON THE PARK, SYDNEY

CONGRESS PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE 2017

3:00pm - 6:00pm	Registration
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Welcome drinks Banana Bar, Level 1, Sheraton on the Park
6:00pm - 10:30pm	State of Origin Party Grand Ballroom 1, Level 2, Sheraton on the Park

THURSDAY 22 JUNE 2017

07:30am - 5:30pm	Registration
09:00am - 10:15am	Official opening ceremony and presentation
9:00am - 9:15am	Ben Franklin
9:15am - 9:45am	True grit - rally cry to the industry focussing on key themes - sustainability, innovation, resilience Peter FitzSimons
9:45am - 10:15am	Managing mindset. Honing 'self management' for success Dennis Hoiberg
10:15am - 10:45am	Morning tea in the exhibition
10:45am - 12:30pm	Banana Marketing: Why we do what we do
10:45am - 11:15am	Elisa King
11:15am - 12:00pm	Understanding Shoppers: Trends, Tips and the Power of Consumer-Centric Thinking Lisa Cork
12:00pm - 12:30pm	Tomorrow's technology will affect everything... even bananas Rose Herceg
12:30pm - 12:45pm	Q&A Elisa King, Lisa Cork and Rose Herceg
12:45pm - 1:30pm	Lunch & networking in the exhibition
1:30pm - 3:00pm	TR4 disease management - international research
1:30pm - 2:00pm	Professor Randy Ploetz
2:00pm - 3:00pm	Science Speed Talks
2:30pm - onwards	High Tea, Sheraton on the Park - optional extra (paid) pre-registration required
3:00pm - 3:45pm	Afternoon tea and interaction science session (displays/posters etc)
3:45pm - 5:30pm	International disease resistance research in banana plant breeding
3:45pm - 4:15pm	Dr Frédéric Bakry
4:15pm - 5:10pm	Australian Banana Research - Key benefits for Industry Andre Drenth, Stewart Lindsay, Tony Pattison



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5:10pm - 5:30pm	Future of bananas panel Professor Randy Ploetz, Dr Frédéric Bakry, Andre Drenth, Stewart Lindsay, Tony Pattison
5:30pm - 7:30pm	Exhibition Evening Exhibition, Level 2, Sheraton on the Park

FRIDAY 23 JUNE 2017

06:00am - 11:00am	Excursion - Retail tours - optional extra (paid) pre-registration required
10:00am - 5:00pm	Registration
10:45am - 11:15am	Morning tea in the exhibition
11:15am - 1:00pm	
11:15am - 12:15pm	Consumer Focus panel Lisa Cork, Warwick Hope, Sarah Mckee
12:15pm - 1:00pm	Cooking demonstration Peter Kuruvita
1:00pm - 3:00pm	Lunch & networking in the exhibition
7:00pm - Late	Banana Industry Ball including Awards of Honour Doltone House, Hyde Park Anh Do - Guest of Honour

SATURDAY 24 JUNE 2017

8:30am - 1:00pm	Registration
8:30am - 9:30am	Recovery breakfast in exhibition
9:30am - 10:30am	
9:30am - 10:00am	Sustainability / Environment Professor Allan Dale
10:00am - 10:30am	Winning the battle for Relevance Michael McQueen
10:30am - 11:00am	Morning tea in exhibition
11:00am - 12:15pm	
11:00am - 11:30am	How to build sustainable landscapes Nancy Schellhorn
11:30am - 12:00pm	Resilience Rob and Sarah Cook
12:00pm - 12:15pm	Congress close and wrap up
12:15pm - 1:00pm	Lunch