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DESTINY

19 - 21 OCTOBER 2015

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### WELCOME TO THE LGAQ 119<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE

This year's conference theme, Taking Control of Our Own Destiny, reflects on both its proximity to the 2016 council elections and the broader economic and political environment in which we operate. We certainly live in interesting times.

This year's line up of speakers will challenge our thinking on many diverse fronts, from technology to the business of council elections.

It is great to again have the minister responsible for roads speak at our annual conference after many years' absence. The ever popular council segment groups will give us all an opportunity to hear from and exchange views with councils that have similar challenges.

All in all, there is something for every delegate and observer at this year's event in Toowoomba.

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Cr Margaret de Wit PRESIDENT

#### WELCOME TO TOOWOOMBA

Welcome to Toowoomba, a region which is continuing to develop, prosper and grow to its full potential.

My colleagues and I are delighted to host the 119th LGAQ Conference at a time when our region will still be abuzz from the 2015 Carnival of Flowers – Australia's longest running horticultural event.

Currently on the cusp of remarkable growth, Toowoomba is fast becoming the hub of one of Australia's most attractive regions. The temperate climate, beautiful gardens and serene countryside remain, but rapidly expanding opportunities are attracting an influx of new businesses and residents keen to be part of the success of the region. Our vision for Toowoomba respects our rich heritage as much as it embraces remarkable potential.

We are fortunate to have strong levels of employment, affordable housing, excellent health facilities, a range of retail opportunities and is internationally recognised for its high quality educational institutions. In fact, Toowoomba was recently ranked in the top five of Australia's most family friendly cities (Suncorp Bank Family Friendly City Index 2014).

The Local Government Association of Queensland continues to be a powerhouse in supporting good governance and leadership in this great State, and I thank all involved in bringing together such a comprehensive and informative program.

Please enjoy all our beautiful region has to offer.

Cr Paul Antonio
MAYOR – TOOWOOMBA REGIONAL COUNCIL

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#### SUNDAY, 18 OCTOBER 2015

12.30pm – 5.00pm Policy Executive Meeting

2.00pm – 5.00pm REGISTRATION

Delegates, observers and accompanying persons

Trade Exhibition

56 Neil Street, Toowoomba

4.00pm – 4.30pm Trade and Sponsor Briefing

#### MONDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2015

8.30am – 5.00pm REGISTRATION

Delegates, observers and accompanying persons

Trade Exhibition

56 Neil Street, Toowoomba

9.00am – 4.30pm Professional Development Streams:

Change Management - Elected Member (Accredited) LGACOM602B

Councillors' Roles and Responsibilities - Elected Member

(Accredited) LGAGENE503 & LGAGENE501A

Financial Reports and Budgets - Elected Member (Accredited) Member

(Accredited) BSBGOV403A

10.45am – 11.30am MORNING TEA

12.45pm – 2.00pm LUNCH

2.00pm – 4.00pm Regional Roads and Transport Group Assembly

2.00pm – 5.00pm Indigenous Leaders Forum

4.30pm – 5.00pm First Time Delegate Briefing

5.30pm – 7.30pm WELCOMING CEREMONY

Empire Theatre

56 Neil Street, Toowoomba Hosted by King & Company

5.30pm Blockbuster Opening Act – Laser Man

5.40pm Welcome to Country



5.45pm Welcome to Toowoomba

Cr Paul Antonio

Mayor, Toowoomba Regional Council

5.50pm Response

Cr Margaret de Wit President, LGAQ

5.55pm Sponsor Address

Tim Fynes-Clinton

Partner

King & Company

6.00pm 2015 LGAQ Journalism Award

Now in its fourth year of inception the LGAQ Regional Journalism Award is dedicated to showcasing excellence in reporting in regional Queensland. Aimed at highlighting the importance of rigorous reporting and analysis of government business decisions affecting Queensland communities, the awards honour the memory of ABC journalists John Bean, Paul Lockyer and Gary Ticehurst.

Listen to the official announcement of the 2015 winner, who will receive a

\$15,000 prize.

6.05pm Keep Queensland Beautiful Tidiest Town Award

**6.10pm Networking Drinks** (90 minutes)

Trade Exhibition

### TUESDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2015 MEMBER COUNCIL DAY

7.45am REGISTRATION

Trade Exhibition

56 Neil Street, Toowoomba

8.15am Security Briefing

Master of Ceremonies - David Swan (the "other" Voice of Australia)

8.16am CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT

8.18am Presentation of Policy Executive

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8.30am Official Opening:

Hon Jackie Trad MP

Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport,

Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning

Minister for Trade

9.00am PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Cr Margaret de Wit

President LGAQ

9.30am KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

One of the world's leading authorities and speakers on the 3D printing

revolution and its impact on society, industry and the economy

Dr Terry Wohlers

Founder, Principal Consultant and President

Wohlers Associates Inc.

Colorado, USA

'Courtesy of Saxton Speakers Bureau'

10.15am MORNING TEA

10.45am Panel Session: Stepping Out on Our Own – Councils taking the lead

Chair: Cr Ray Brown, Mayor, Western Downs Regional Council

Cr Butch Lenton, Mayor, Winton Shire Council

Cr Mark Jamieson, Mayor, Sunshine Coast Regional Council

Cr Belinda Murphy, Mayor, McKinlay Shire Council

Cr Allan Sutherland, Mayor, Moreton Bay Regional Council

11.55am Sponsor Address:

12.00pm KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

Councils and the Rising Cost of Energy Challenge – Smart Ways

**Forward** 

**LGIS** 

12.30pm LUNCH

1.30pm Council Forums

Rural and Remote councils

South East Queensland councils

Coastal councils

Resource Regions councils

Indigenous councils



3.00pm Panel Session: Council Elections 2016 – Polls, Politics and new tricks

Chair: Mr Craig Johnstone, Media Executive, LGAQ Mr Alan Morton, Principal, Morton Consulting Pty Ltd Mr John Black, Political Consultant and Commentator

3.45pm Sponsor Address:

3.50pm LGM/LGW Member Update

4.05pm Sponsor Address:

4.10pm Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal

Update

Deputy President Adrian Bloomfield

Chair

Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal

4.30pm KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

Ms Holly Ransom

Courtesy of ICMI Speakers Bureau

5.00pm Program Concludes

6.30pm for 7.00pm GALA DINNER

Rumours International Convention Centre 323 Ruthven Street, Toowoomba

Gala Dinner: Hosted by Hastings Deering

Dress: Coat and tie

Act: Jessica Mauboy and her world class backing vocalists

"Singing 60's songs from The Sapphires Movie as well as Jessica's own

compositions"

Long Service Certificate Presentations

11.30pm Dinner Concludes

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### WEDNESDAY, 21 OCTOBER 2015 YOUR COUNCIL DAY

8.30am CONFERENCE RESUMES – HOUSEKEEPING

8.35am AGM/Motions (Debate)

9.45am State Opposition Update

Ms Fiona Simpson MP

Shadow Minister for Local Government and Main Roads,

Community Recovery and Resilience

10.15am MORNING TEA

10.45am State Government Main Roads Update

Hon Mark Bailey MP

Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports

Minister for Energy and Water Supply

11.15am Sponsor Address:

11.20am Debate

12.35pm LUNCH

1.20pm Sponsor Address:

1.25pm Debate

3.30pm KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

Ms Catherine DeVrye

'Courtesy of Saxton Speakers Bureau'

4.00pm Plenary Concludes

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### COUNCIL FORUMS MONDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2015

2.00pm - 5.00pm INDIGENOUS LEADERS FORUM

Hosts: Cr Alf Lacey (Mayor, Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council) and Cr Fred Gela (Mayor, Torres Strait Island Regional Council)

Since 2011, the Indigenous Leaders Forum has been a valuable way for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander councils to come together in order to discuss specific challenges and to put forward issues they would like the LGAQ to assist them in addressing.

The Forum is held twice-yearly.

#### **TUESDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2015**

1.30pm - 3.00pm

Come and join with your council peers in one of four forums to discuss, share and debate key issues.

This year, these forums will be hosted by the LGAQ Policy Executive members. Join your local government colleagues in discussing common issues and interests, emerging policy priorities and brainstorming innovative solutions. This is also your opportunity to talk with each other and your Policy Executive members about ways the LGAQ can help and support your council.

Please register for the forum that you believe will most interest your council – if you can't decide you are welcome to send delegates to separate forums.

Delegates/observers are welcome to attend any one of the forums:

#### **RURAL AND REMOTE COUNCILS**

Hosts: Cr Fred Pascoe and Cr Joe Owens

#### SOUTH EAST QUEENSLAND COUNCILS

Hosts: Cr Peter Matic, Cr Pam Parker, Cr Allan Sutherland, Cr Paul Pisasale

#### **COASTAL COUNCILS**

Hosts: Cr Greg Belz, Cr Deirdre Comerford, Cr Jenny Hill and Cr Bill Shannon

#### **RESOURCE REGIONS COUNCILS**

Hosts: Cr Ray Brown, Cr Rob Loughnan

#### **INDIGENOUS COUNCILS**

Hosts: Cr Alf Lacey and Cr Fred Gela

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### ELECTED MEMBER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

For those who choose one of the accredited units and then successfully complete the post-conference assessment a credit will be earned towards the *LGA50712 Diploma of Local Government (Elected Member)* that the Association is offering.

That's right. You can now elect to use your conference session attendance to obtain a formal qualification.

For further information on any of the accredited course options, or the Diploma please contact our Members' Hotline on 1300 542 700.

To register for these sessions please email training@lgaq.asn.au

LGAQ'S ACCREDITED TRAINING COURSES Elected Member Professional Development	2015 DATES / TIMES	PRICE PER PERSON GST INC
Change Management-Elected Member (Accredited) LGACOM602B  This workshop focuses on identifying and implementing change management strategies and the causes and effects of change.  *This unit forms part of the Diploma of Local Government (Elected Member) LGA50712 but can be undertaken as a 'stand-alone' professional development workshop day.	Date: Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October Time: 9.00am - 4.30pm	\$530.00 ex GST pp  + \$220 ex GST if you wish to complete an assessment  *For assessments, please contact LGAQ Training Solutions by email training@lgaq.asn.au
Councillor Roles and Responsibilities-Elected Member (Accredited) LGAGENE503 & LGAGENE501A  LGAQ's 'roles and responsibilities' workshop will discuss behaviours and actions required by elected members in meeting their roles and responsibilities using legislation as its basis.  *This unit forms part of the Diploma of Local Government (Elected Member) LGA50712 but can be undertaken as a 'stand-alone' professional development workshop day.	Date: Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October Time: 9.00am - 4.30pm	\$530.00 ex GST pp  + \$220 ex GST if you wish to complete an assessment  *For assessments, please contact LGAQ Training Solutions by email training@lgaq.asn.au
Financial Reports and Budgets-Elected Member (Accredited) BSBGOV403A  This training workshop will explore the legislative requirements for local government accounting and will help participants further understand the budgeting and financial report processes.  *This unit forms part of the Diploma of Local Government (Elected Member) LAG50712 but can be undertaken as a 'stand-alone' professional development workshop day.	Date: Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> October Time: 9.00am - 4.30pm	\$530.00 ex GST pp  + \$220 ex GST if you wish to complete an assessment  *For assessments, please contact LGAQ Training Solutions by email training@lgaq.asn.au

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#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER PROFILES

#### HON JACKIE TRAD MP

Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade

Jackie Trad was elected as the Member for South Brisbane to the Queensland Parliament on 28 April 2012. Following the 2015 State Election, Jackie was appointed Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade.

With a Bachelor of Arts from Griffith University and a Masters of Public Policy from the University of Sydney, Jackie has always been interested in how public policy shapes and forms our cities, our communities and ultimately our lives.

The influences of economics and politics on public decision-making and policy development, together with a genuine love of her community, drew her to a career in politics. Jackie is a second generation Lebanese migrant who grew up in a small business family on the inner-Southside of Brisbane. Jackie and her husband Damien live in West End where they are raising their two young sons.

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#### MR TERRY WOHLERS

Founder, Principal Consultant and President Wohlers Associates Inc.

Terry Wohlers is the founder, principal consultant, and president of Wohlers Associates, Inc., an independent consulting firm that was launched 28 years ago.

Wohlers and his team have provided consulting assistance to more than 240 organizations in 24 countries, as well as to 150+ companies in the investment community. He has authored 400 books, articles, and technical papers and has given more than 125 keynote presentations on five continents. Wohlers has twice served as a featured speaker at events held at the United States White House. He has appeared on many television and radio news programs, including NPR, CBS Radio News, Bloomberg TV, CNBC, MSNBC, Fox Business, Australia's Sky News, and China's CCTV.

For the past 20 years, Wohlers has been a principal author of the *Wohlers Report*, an annual worldwide publication focused on additive manufacturing and 3D printing. It has served as the undisputed industry-leading report on the subject for two decades. In 2007, more than 1,000 industry professionals from around the world selected Wohlers as the #1 most influential person in rapid product development and additive manufacturing

#### **CR RAY BROWN**

#### Mayor Western Downs Regional Council

Councillor Ray Brown has 24 years experience in local government; 17 years for the previous Tara Shire and the remainder as Mayor of Western Downs.

His areas of expertise include managing agricultural properties with interests in accounting, governance, economic development, aged care and disaster management.

Outside of the office, Mayor Brown is passionate about his family, rugby, cricket (any sport really), pecan nut trees and supporting mental health issues.

Cr Brown and his family have recently relocated to Dalby but also maintain their grain and cattle property in Moonie.



#### CR BUTCH LENTON

#### Mayor Winton Shire Council

Cr Butch Lenton was born and raised in Winton and attended Winton State School. Cr Lenton completed his motor mechanics apprenticeship at the Winton Shire Council workshop and now, with his wife Ros, have a mechanical business in Winton.

Cr Lenton is a past President of Winton Senior Rugby League and Central West Rugby League and still remains as a Board member. Cr Lenton is a keen motorcycle rider, having raced and ridden motorcycles from a young age.

Cr Lenton has a keen interest in transport infrastructure and currently chairs the Outback Regional Roads and Transport Group as well as the Inland Roads Alliance. Cr Lenton is also on the Outback Highway Committee.

Cr Lenton also has a strong commitment to economic development and promoting sustainability in rural communities. Cr Lenton is a member of the Fitzroy Central West RDA Committee.

Cr Lenton is the Chairman of the Waltzing Matilda Centre Board and also sits on the Boards of RAPAD, Australian Age of Dinosaurs and the Diamantina Heritage Truck and Transport Museum.

Cr Lenton was first elected to Winton Shire Council in 1997 to 2008, and was Deputy Mayor from 2004 to 2008, and elected Mayor in 2012.

#### **CR MARK JAMIESON**

#### Mayor Sunshine Coast Regional Council

Cr Mark Jamieson was elected in Mayor of the Sunshine Coast in May 2012. He has enjoyed an extensive career in senior leadership roles with strategic and operational responsibilities and accountabilities for customer satisfaction, staff development, business performance/expansion and shareholder growth.

Aside from a proven track record of successful business expansion and a demonstrated capacity to grow and develop himself and those around him, he has also been actively involved in ensuring his companies and the Sunshine Coast Regional Council not only "do well but do good".

Cr Jamieson has completed a Bachelor of Business in distinction with double majors in Marketing and Human Resource Management with the University of Southern Queensland (Toowoomba) and an Executive Leadership Program, Harvard University, Cambridge USA.



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#### CR BELINDA MURPHY

#### Mayor McKinlay Shire Council

Belinda was born in Tasmania. She completed year 12 at St Michaels Collegiate Girls School in Hobart and then went onto train as a commercial pilot and grade 3 flying instructor.

Belinda moved to Queensland in 1998 and spent the following years working as a pilot on various stations in the North West Qld and Northern Territory for cattle company's such as Stanbroke Pastoral, NAPCO and McDonalds Pastoral Company. Belinda meet her now husband Wayne Murphy and moved into Julia Creek in 2004 as the Branch Manager for the Queensland Country Credit Union and then became a Senior Manager for McKinlay Shire Council from 2005 until 2010. During this time Belinda completed a graduate degree in Public Sector Management and various Local Government training programs.

Belinda has been on many community organisations since moving to Julia Creek and enjoys campdrafting in the North west.

She is also a member of the Julia Creek Triathlon Club and has over the years participated in triathlons in Mount Isa and also participated in the iconic Julia Creek Dirt N' Dust Triathlon. She is also preparing herself for a charity run event Marathon for Bravehearts.

Belinda is passionate about the shire and the lifestyle that it provides which is only enhanced by the people who reside here. Belinda and Wayne have two children, daughter Madeline and son Liam.



### MR ALAN MORTON Principal Morton Consulting Services Pty Ltd

Alan Morton, (B.E., M.Eng. Sc.) is the Principal of Morton Consulting Services Pty. Ltd., a Queensland based consulting company which has undertaken a wide range of projects involving local government operations, policy development, regional planning, social and economic research. Clients have included Federal, State and Local Governments as well as the private sector.

Alan has over 30 years professional consulting experience covering policy analysis, transport planning, regional, social and economic development, government finance and organisation development.

He has consulted extensively for local government in Queensland and elsewhere in Australia. Alan has coordinated the LGAQ Community Satisfaction Tracking Studies since they were introduced in 1997, as well as undertaking a wide-range of other market research projects for LGAQ.

He has also worked with a number of Regional Councils on the integration of rating systems. Alan was a coauthor of *Building our Future*, a report prepared for the Civil Engineering Construction Alliance on the need for investment in infrastructure and for *The Roads Solution*, a report on South East Queensland road and transport issues published by the *Courier Mail*.



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#### MR JOHN BLACK

#### **Political Consultant and Commentator**

John Black is CEO of Australian Development Strategies, a company that specialises in demographic profiling and current client list includes major media outlets, finance companies, religious groups and independent schools.

John is a Founder Member of the Board of the Australian Sports Anti Doping Agency, the body in charge of sports anti-doping in Australia.

He is also a Demographic profiler and opinion writer for The Australian Financial Review and is a guest demographer for Radio 612 ABC in Brisbane.

John interests include being a fly fishing and travel writer for Life and Leisure and FlyLife Magazines and he is a Mentor for Griffith University.

#### **DEPUTY PRESIDENT ADRIAN BLOOMFIELD**

### Chair Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal

Adrian Bloomfield is the continuing Chairperson of the Tribunal to and including 30 June 2015 and brings to the role extensive knowledge of and experience in industrial relations, local government and public administration. He was a founding member of the former Local Government Remuneration Tribunal in 2007 before his appointment as Chairperson of the Local Government and Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal in 2010.

Adrian Bloomfield concurrently serves as Deputy President of the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission. Prior to joining the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission in 1993, he was the Director, Queensland Branch of Metal Trades Industry Association of Australia. Adrian Bloomfield also has an accountancy background having held chartered accountancy positions in both Australia and New Zealand.

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#### MS HOLLY RANSOM

#### **Courtesy of ICMI Speakers Bureau**

In 2012 Holly was made one of the AFR's '100 Most Influential Australian Women', was named both Young Western Australian of the Year and Young Volunteer of the Year, and became the world's youngest Rotary president.

Holly has since worked with Rio Tinto CEO Sam Walsh and Australia's largest youth oriented non-profit, the Foundation for Young Australians. In 2014 Holly was appointed by the Australian Prime Minister to Chair the G20 Youth Summit.

Holly currently works as a strategic project consultant for NAB Wealth CEO Andrew Hagger and runs international consulting and leadership development company, HRE Global, which focuses on change management, intergenerational engagement and maximising the performance of millennials and women in the workplace.

#### MS FIONA SIMPSON MP

### Shadow Minister for Local Government and Main Roads, Community Recovery and Resilience

Fiona Simpson is a senior member of the LNP State team with extensive experience connecting with communities across Queensland in her previous roles as Shadow Minister for Transport, Main Roads and Health and as Speaker in the 54th Parliament.

Before entering parliament, she was an award-winning journalist (Dalgety's Excellence in Rural Journalism Award) and a former Rotary Exchange Student who speaks conversational Japanese. She holds post-graduate management qualifications and in 2013 was included in Queensland YWCA's list of 125 Leading Women.



#### HON MARK BAILEY MP

#### Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports Minister for Energy and Water Supply

Mark Bailey is the State Member for Yeerongpilly on Brisbane's southside. He has a long connection with his electorate, having previously spent nine years on Brisbane City Council representing Moorooka Ward residents.

He was sworn in as Queensland's first ever Minister for Road Safety in February. As Main Roads Minister, he has responsibility for the state's vast road network.

As Minister for Energy and Water Supply, Mark is committed to delivering safe, efficient and affordable electricity and water to Queensland households and businesses.

He is a strong advocate for renewable energy and a champion for a cleaner, greener energy future in Queensland.

Mark recognises the important role Queensland's ports play in supporting the state's economy and fostering stronger regional economies.

The Minister acknowledges the significance of his portfolio as a jobs generator and the importance of roads, water and energy to business, industry and everyday Queenslanders.

#### MS CATHERINE DEVRYE

#### **Courtesy of Saxton Speakers Bureau**

Catherine DeVrye develops ideas, delights audiences and delivers results.

Twice voted Australian Keynote Speaker of the Year in 1999 and 2010, Catherine is an entertaining communicator with proven international management experience. She now speaks globally on customer service, change and turning obstacles to opportunities, through resilience.

Catherine is a best-selling author of eight books and past winner of the Australian Executive Woman of the Year Award. A former IBM executive, Catherine held roles in sales, marketing, communication and leadership development, spending two years in Tokyo as Asia Pacific Headquarters Human Resource Manager.

Always in search of adventure and new material, she has cycled over the Andes, trekked to Timbuktu, beyond Everest Base Camp and was given the honour of carrying the Olympic Torch on the day of the opening ceremonies of the Sydney 2000 Olympics.

Catherine is also an Australia Day ambassador, and was involved in the establishment of the Life: Be In It fitness campaign.

She holds a Master of Science degree, but believes the best education is common sense!



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#### **VENUE AND DATES**

#### **Empire Theatre**

56 Neil Street Toowoomba

19 - 21 October 2015

#### **ACCOMMODATION** (GST Incl)

Corporate Traveller has sourced the accommodation providers at the following venues:

### TOOWOOMBA CENTRAL PLAZA APARTMENTS

532-544 Ruthven Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 350mtrs

Distance to gala: 600mtrs

This prestigious 4.5 star establishment is located in the very centre of the CBD, directly across the street from the Town Hall. The hotel is centrally located near shops, cafes, restaurants, and the historic Empire Theatre. Boasting an exceptional modern contemporary design, panoramic city views, spacious suites and superb hotel facilities at your finger tips, including Ella Baché Day Spa and the large mezzanine pool deck. Free WIFI, high speed broadband, large flat screen TVs, Austar/Foxtel and airconditioning are provided in all rooms.

**Studio Room** \$201.00 per night - includes 1 queen bed

One Bedroom Apartment \$220.00 per night - includes 1 queen bed

**Two Bedroom Apartment** \$350.00 per night - includes 1 queens & 2 single beds or 2

queen beds

**Three Bedroom Apartment** \$425.00 per night - includes 2 queens & 2 single beds or 3

queen beds

Buffet Breakfast at Burke and Wills Hotel (next door) included for 1 guest per room



#### LAGUNA APARTMENTS

189 Hume Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 600mtrs

Distance to gala: 1.5km

Unwind in a stylish, contemporary apartment close to the heart of Queensland's famous 'Garden City'. Laguna Apartments is located only two minutes stroll from the CBD, in a central location surrounded by the city's inviting gardens, vibrant international restaurants and picturesque National Parks. With an onsite café, wireless internet access in each apartment, business facilities at reception and superb sweeping views of the city throughout the building, the self contained, two bedroom apartments are an ideal choice.

Two Bedroom Apartment \$260.00 per night

Onsite café with breakfast available. Can be charged back to the accommodation room

#### **BURKE AND WILLS HOTEL**

554 Ruthven Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 400mtrs

Distance to gala: 650mtrs

The Burke and Wills, Toowoomba's Landmark Hotel, is conveniently located in the heart of the central business district boasting an ideal location being only minutes walk to the retail, legal, medical and business precincts. The hotel offers 24 hour reception, bars and an amazing choice of food and dining with the added benefit of off street parking. All rooms have a feeling of soft luxury that, coupled with the staff's commitment to quality and comfort, ensures all guests' stay are a memorable experience.

**Executive Room** \$199.00 per night

**Twin Room** \$209.00 per night - includes 2 single beds

Suite \$249.00 per night

Buffet Breakfast included for 1 guest per room

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HIGHLANDER MOTOR INN

226 James Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 1.8km

Distance to gala: 2km

The Highlander Motor Inn is a 4-star AAA Rated Motel and Apartment complex. The property offers free Wifi, Austar TV channels and free in house movies. For your comfort, all rooms have split system reverse cycle air conditioning. There is also a solar heated swimming pool onsite and a sheltered BBQ area.

Standard Queen Room \$169.00 per night

**Executive Queen Spa Room** \$189.00 per night

**Executive King Room** \$189.00 per night

**Twin Room** \$189.00 per night - (includes 1 queen and 2 single beds)

One Bedroom Apartment \$205.00 per night

**Two Bedroom Apartment** \$230.00 per night - (includes 1 queen and 2 single beds)

**Three Bedroom Apartment** \$260.00 per night - (includes 2 queen and 2 single beds)

Room service breakfast is available daily.



### QUALITY HOTEL PLATINUM INTERNATIONAL

326 James Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 2.9km Distance to gala: 2.9km

Quality Hotel Platinum International is one of Toowoomba's signature motel properties. It is situated at the western end of James Street (Warrego Highway), opposite Clifford Gardens Shopping Centre. This motel is only minutes from the Toowoomba Showgrounds and the CBD with shopping, cinema, theatre, Eat Street Cafés and some of Toowoomba's major tourist attractions. The property boasts one of Toowoomba's best known restaurants - Images Lounge Bar & Restaurant. Quality Hotel Platinum International also boasts a heated pool & spa, BBQ Facilities, Gymnasium and Guest Laundry.

**Standard Room** \$210.00 per night

Buffet Breakfast available at an additional cost daily from 6am till 9am.

#### **CITY GOLF CLUB MOTEL**

775 Ruthven Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 2.4kms Distance to gala: 2.7kms

The City Golf Club Motel is located on the edge of Toowoomba's CBD. This property is adjacent to the City Golf Club, with great restaurant, bars, cafe and all the facilities you would expect from an award winning club. Only five minutes from the centre of town and offering the very best there is in service, this 4.5 Star motel will not disappoint. The property offers rooms with stunning new designer effects and decor. The majority of rooms have balconies with some overlooking the golf course and others overlooking Toowoomba's majestic jacaranda trees. Plus there is free wifi in every room & public areas.

Executive King Room\$206.00 per nightExecutive Queen Room\$206.00 per nightExecutive Twin Share Room\$206.00 per night

Breakfast is available onsite daily at the City Golf Club or Room Service.

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#### **COMFORT INN GRAMMAR VIEW**

39 Margaret Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 1.6kms

Distance to gala: 2.1kms

Comfort Inn Grammar View is a 4 Star AAA Tourism rated property proudly boasting one of the Premier Locations in Toowoomba. Situated in quiet, tree-lined Margaret Street it's an easy stroll to just about everything Toowoomba has to offer, including the City's Business Centre, the Empire Theatre and the Queens Park Botanical Gardens. Facilities at the Comfort Inn Grammar View include "Vista Restaurant" which is open for Breakfast six days a week and Dinner Monday to Saturday, private saltwater swimming pool plus ample Parking. Each room has reverse cycle airconditioning, Large Flat Screen TV's, Austar - with 3 Sports Channels, and Queen Size Pillow Top Ensemble Beds.

Standard Single Room

\$139.00 per night

Breakfast is available onsite.

#### **ASTERS ON JAMES**

**Cnr James and Wilmot Streets, Toowoomba** 

Distance to conference: 1.6kms

Distance to gala: 1.9kms

Asters on James Motor Inn is 31/2 star accommodation located in the heart of Toowoomba. The Motor Inn is only walking distance to many of the city's restaurants, Grand Central Shopping Centre and the city centre. The non smoking accommodation at Asters on James features queen sized beds, reverse cycle air conditioning, free wireless internet, flat screen TV, free Foxtel 8 channels, microwave, tea and coffee making facilities, toaster and bar fridge. Room service breakfasts and dinners are also available.

**Standard Single Room** \$140.00 p/n **Standard Twin Room** \$155.00 p/n

**Spa Suite** \$185.00 p/n **One Bedroom Self Contained** \$175.00 p/n

**Family Room** \$165.00 p/n - (includes 1 gueen and 2 single beds)

Breakfast is available onsite.

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#### **CLIFFORD GARDENS MOTOR INN**

316 James Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 3.3kms

Distance to gala: 3.2kms

Clifford Gardens offers the very highest of AAA 3½ star rating. This Motor Inn is well located and situated directly opposite the Clifford Gardens Shopping Centre which has a variety of shops. The property is also within walking distance to the CBD. Breakfast is served daily to your room. For your convenience Images Lounge Bar and Restaurant is located just a 2 min stroll up the road open 7 days from 6.00 pm to 9.00pm with the Bar open from 5.00 pm. Room service is also available.

**Standard Single Room** \$155.00 per night

Breakfast is available onsite

#### **QUEST APARTMENTS**

133 Margaret Street, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 350mtrs

Distance to gala: 650mtrs

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Quest Toowoomba serviced apartments offers guests a relaxed and comfortable Toowoomba accommodation experience. Travellers will enjoy 6 levels of superbly furnished, fully equipped serviced apartment accommodation, just minutes from Grand Central Shopping Centre, Queens Park & Botanical Gardens and Clive Berghofer Stadium. This purpose built property is a great alternative to your traditional hotel room, featuring kitchen and laundry facilities, separate living/dining area, 42" Flat Screen TV, WIFI, Foxtel, car parking, gymnasium and conference room facilities.

**Studio Apartment** \$209.00 per night **On Bedroom Apartment** \$249.00 per night

Breakfast can be charged back to the room from the GPO Café located directly across the road.



#### **GREAT DIVIDE MOTOR INN**

5 Herries St, Toowoomba

Distance to conference: 2.4kms

Distance to gala: 3.1kms

Your hosts Amanda & Trent will welcome you to the Great Divide Motor Inn, Toowoomba. Truly a home away from home, this property is situated within close proximity to shops, restaurant's and parks. On business or holiday, you can guarantee a pleasant stay at the Great Divide Motor Inn.

**King Executive** \$175.00 per night

Twin Share \$175.00 per night

Two Bedroom Balcony Apartment \$245.00 per night

Two Bedroom King Apartment \$264.00 per night

Hot Breakfast available at \$29 per person per day.

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### CONFERENCE SHIRT (COUNCIL DELEGATES/OBSERVERS ONLY)

Council delegates and observers will be issued with ONE shirt whilst at conference. These need to be ordered online as part of your conference registration. The sizing is as follows:

Mens Modern Fit	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL
GARMENT ½ CHEST (cm)	52	55	58	62	65	71	79

Ladies Modern Fit	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
GARMENT ½ CHEST (cm)	46.5	49	52	54	56.5	59	62	65	68

Please select your size carefully as there wont be the opportunity to change your size once at conference.



#### **CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (GST Incl)**

<b>Early Bird Registration -</b>	prior to a	nd including 11	September 2015

(	Council or State Government observer ······	\$1430.00	
ļ	5 or more observers from one Council/Government Department	\$1320.00	
(	Corporate (Private Sector)	\$2860.00	

#### After 11 September 2015

Council or State Government observer *** \$163	30.00
5 people or more observers from one Council/Government Department \$150	00.00
Corporate (Private Sector) ************************************	00.00

#### Early Bird One Day Registration - prior to and including 11 September 2015

Council or State Government observer	\$660.00
Corporate (Private Sector)	\$1100.00

#### After 11 September 2015

Council or State Government observer	····· \$770.00
Corporate (Private Sector)	

#### **FUNCTIONS**

Welcoming Ceremony	\$50.00
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Accompanying persons, day registrations and additional trade exhibitors

Gala Dinner - Tuesday evening (20 October 2015)	
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Please note that the Welcoming Ceremony on the Monday evening is included in the conference fee for delegates, observers and corporates attending the full three days of conference.

Accompanying persons are welcome to attend the Welcoming Ceremony and Gala Dinner.

Register via links below or online at **www.lgaq.asn.au** under the Events Tab

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Please refer to registration cancellation policies on www.lgaq.asn.au when making your registration.

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#### **ENQUIRIES**

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