

CAIRNS CONVENTION CENTRE

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Global Events Choosing Cairns

Decision makers of twelve prestigious conventions recently chose Cairns as the destination for their future events, ten of which are international.

Cairns won these bids against countries such as Italy, India, Ireland, Argentina and the USA, showing that with quality infrastructure and professional marketing strategies, an Australian regional destination can successfully compete for lucrative international convention business.

The ten international events will bring over 8,500 delegates to Cairns between 2011 and 2014.

Some of the recent international bid wins include:

- International Symposium on Plasma Chemistry 2013
- 16th International Symposium on Fish Nutrition and Feeding 2014
- Nuclei in the Cosmos International Symposium on Nuclear Astrophysics 2012
- Lattice 2012, The 30th International Symposium on Lattice Field Theory
- International Convention of the International Confederation of Principals 2013

"I believe almost all participants will have left the conference having had a great time, and the friendly and efficient service provided by your staff certainly contributed to their enjoyment. The food was also excellent.

I would have no hesitation in recommending the Cairns Convention Centre to other colleagues planning conferences in Australia and I hope to be back there in future."

Professor Ray Norton ~ Conference Chair
XXIV International Conference on Magnetic Resonance in Biological Systems



Serious Business in Australia's most Stunning Location

Message from the General Manager



Ross Steele

The large number of associations choosing the Cairns Convention Centre for their international conference is evidence that Cairns is a mature, welcoming meeting destination.

The Centre's consistently high ranking in the AIPC 'World's Best Congress Centre Award' is not only recognition of outstanding service delivery but acknowledgement that the city is vibrant and inclusive and delivers success for our clients.

Cairns businesses understand the benefit and diversity these important visitors bring to our region.

So if you have the opportunity to bring an event to Cairns or are a delegate participating in a conference in our beautiful part of the world, I am sure you will leave with a feeling that you have not only had a successful meeting but also been a part of our interactive, vibrant community during your stay.

"The facilities that you have at the Centre are very versatile and the flexibility of the room configurations makes it very easy to work with.

From the very start of the planning process in working with your sales team, then your operations team and onsite staff, nothing was ever too much trouble for your friendly, helpful and intuitive staff."

Ms Joanne Tovey ~ Arinex Pty Ltd

When delegates attend meetings in Cairns they become part of the community. Delegates are warmly welcomed by taxi drivers, retail outlets, restaurants, tour operators and the local people.



Ross Steele ~ General Manager





Cairns, the ideal destination...

The 16th International Symposium on Fish Nutrition and Feeding, the premier event for the world's aquaculture feed industry and nutrition scientists, is being hosted by CSIRO with primary support from Australia's major feed companies – Ridley Aquafeeds and Skretting Australia and a suite of other research and industry partners. This event which occurs every two years will be held at the Cairns Convention Centre May 26th – 30th 2014.

"The close proximity to iconic Australian features such as the Great Barrier Reef, the Daintree rainforest and the Outback weighed heavily in influencing our decision to choose Cairns," said Dr Brett Glencross, International Scientific Committee - ISFNF.

Previous symposiums were held in Qingdao, China – 2010; Florianopolis, Brazil – 2008; and Biarritz, France – 2006. The next symposium in 2012 will be in Molde, Norway, before the Cairns Symposium in 2014.

"Cairns was considered the ideal destination because of the world-class facilities at the Cairns Convention Centre, the range of local amenities including accommodation, tourist attractions, international airport and restaurants."

Dr Brett Glencross
International Scientific Committee ~ ISFNF

Convention Centre team lends a hand

Recently the Team at the Cairns Convention Centre undertook an afternoon of tree planting in the Barron River Delta at Machan's Beach, 10 minutes from the Cairns CBD.

Centre employees decided to participate in the "Green Corridor" a project of Barron Catchment Care. The project is aimed at rehabilitating riverine ecosystems along the Barron River from the source to where it enters the Coral Sea.

The Barron River is 165km in length and one of the largest waterways in the Wet Tropics. It rises in the Crater National Park east of Herberton, flows across the



Atherton Tablelands and the Kuranda Range, dropping at the Barron Falls to the coastal lowlands. The river then passes through Lake Placid and into the delta before flowing into the Great Barrier Reef Lagoon. The Team at the

Centre are delighted to support this exciting project which is helping to reduce sediment and nutrient flow to the Great Barrier Reef, as well as building wildlife corridors, essential for the protection of the catchment's unique biodiversity.

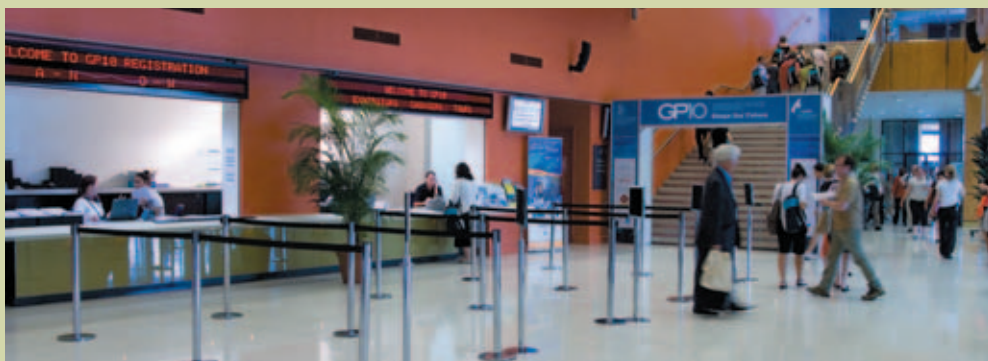




800 Doctors in the house

Over 800 delegates attended The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners and the Australian Association of Practice Managers Combined National Conference at the Cairns Convention Centre 6th – 9th October.

The themes for this year's conference were wide ranging and included indigenous health, e-health, sports



medicine, rural health, health promotion, the business of medicine, and practical tips for students and registrars.

There were many social functions that delegates were able to attend at the Convention Centre, Salt House Restaurant, Shangri-la Hotel and a gala dinner on the Cairns Esplanade. Presentations were also held aboard a cruise vessel on the way to visit the reef.



Australia's most prestigious physics meeting

The 22nd International Conference on Atomic Physics (ICAP 2010) hosted over 600 delegates to an outstanding program of invited speakers covering the most recent subjects in the field of atomic physics.

The meeting was held at the Cairns Convention Centre in July and a number of Nobel Laureates in the field, including Claude Cohen-Tannoudji, Wolfgang Ketterle, Bill Phillips gave presentations. Professor Ketterle also engaged with local schools in the region, inspiring students to pursue a career in science.

Expecting 400 delegates the organisers were delighted when registrations exceeded 600, citing the attractiveness of the destination, the opportunity to visit the Great Barrier Reef and the quality of the scientific programme as reasons for the outstanding success of the meeting.

Delegates enjoyed a gala dinner at the Convention Centre and a post conference trip to the Reef.

Satellite meetings were held in Brisbane, Cairns, Cape Tribulation and Magnetic Island.

"We continue to be flooded by international visitors to our laboratories which is giving Australian research wonderful exposure around the world."

Professor Peter Hannaford
Conference Chair ~ ICAP 2010

James Cook University Graduation

The Cairns Convention Centre is very proud of its association and links to James Cook University (JCU) who held their 15th consecutive graduation ceremony at the Centre this year.

Students from the faculties of Law, Business, Creative Arts, Science, Engineering, Information Technology, Arts, Education, Social Science,



Medicine, Health and Molecular Sciences were awarded their degrees by University Chancellor, Lieutenant General John Grey.



Win a trip to Cairns!

At the Cairns Convention Centre Roadshow

For a comprehensive brief and update on Cairns business events infrastructure don't miss the Cairns Convention Centre Roadshow coming to Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne in early February.

There will be representatives from seventeen suppliers, including tour operators, accommodation providers, staging and exhibition companies and offsite venues.

If you would like to register your interest in attending please email:

rsvp@cairnsconvention.com.au

Details:

Brisbane : Tuesday 1st February 2011
Stamford Plaza Hotel

Sydney : Wednesday 2nd February 2011
~ Tattersalls Club

Melbourne : Friday 4th February 2011
Chapter House

A total of 22 meeting rooms

Great Hall ~ plenary seating for 2,300 delegates

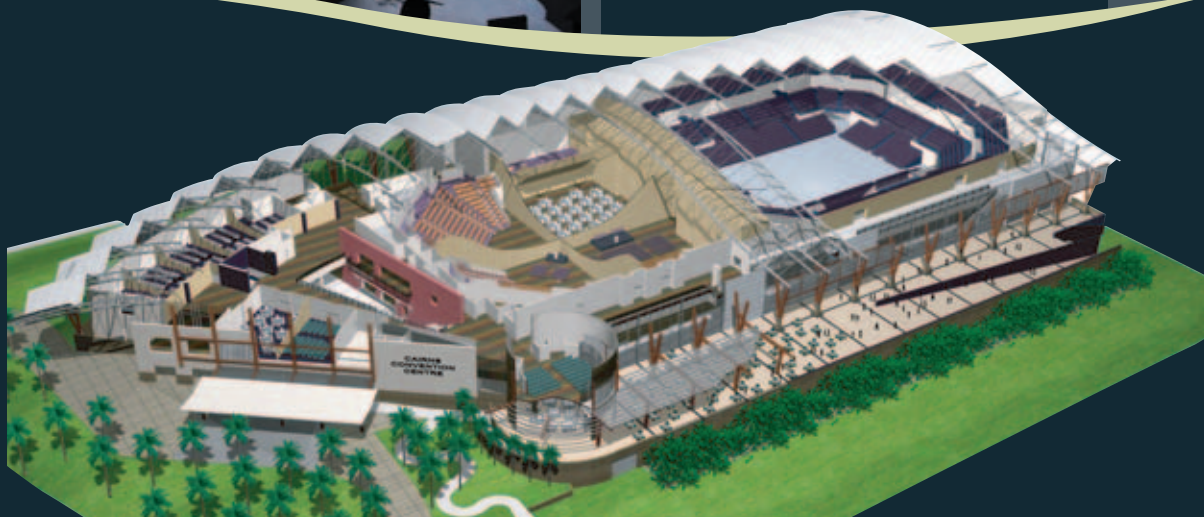
Four individual quadrants for 500 delegates each

1,300 delegates banquet style

Hall 2 ~ ideal for trade exhibition or 5,000 delegates

Nine meeting rooms for 10 - 360 delegates

Six conference rooms for 10 - 55 delegates



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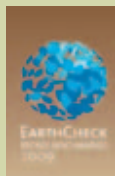


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recent events

- Chiropractors Association of Australia National Development Forum 2010
- North Queensland Oral Health Convention 2010
- Renal Society of Australasia National Conference 2010
- 6th Intercontinental Congress of Hair Research 2010
- Fusion Cairns 2010 Conference
- 19th International Symposium on Plant Lipids 2010
- STATPHYS 24, the XXIV International Conference on Statistical Physics 2010
- 22nd International Conference on Atomic Physics ~ ICAP 2010
- Pacific Rim International Conference on Advanced Materials & Processing 2010
- XXIV International Conference on Magnetic Resonance in Biological Systems 2010
- 2010 International Birdstrike Committee Conference
- GP10, Shape our Future Conference
- ACN Pacific Training Conference 2009
- Global Environment Facility ~ 5th Biennial International Waters Conference 2009
- Australian Pipeline Industry Association National Convention 2009
- 69th Annual Scientific Meeting of Australian Orthopaedic Association 2009
- Sixth Asia Pacific Conference against Stroke (APCAS), incorporating the Stroke Society of Australasia 2009 Annual Scientific Meeting

coming events

- Greenhouse 2011
- Career Development International Career Conference 2011
- ACTA International TESOL Conference 2012
- Sustainable Use of Reef and Rainforest 2011 Conference
- Local Government Managers Australia National Congress & Business Expo 2011
- The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists Indigenous Women's Health Meeting
- International Meeting of the Pacific Rim Ceramics Society 2011
- Maritime Matrix ~ Marine Engineering, Science & Technology Conference
- ComBio 2011
- VII World Avocado Congress 2011
- World Congress on Reproductive Biology 2011
- 33rd Conference of the International Society of Animal Genetics 2012
- 12th International Coral Reef Symposium 2012
- Australasian Conference on Safety and Quality in Healthcare
- Association of School Business & Administrators Australasian Conference 2013
- World Buiatrics Congress 2014
- International Confederation of Principals Convention 2013
- 16th International Symposium on Fish Nutrition and Feeding 2014

A comprehensive list of conventions is available on our website.

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