



26th ANNUAL

NSW COASTAL CONFERENCE

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SHOAL BAY COUNTRY CLUB
PORT STEPHENS, NSW

The Next wave

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The NSW Coastal Conference Committee invites you to participate in our 26th Annual NSW Coastal Conference, hosted this year by Port Stephens Council.

First Announcement & Call For Abstracts



The theme of "The Next Wave" evokes the idea of potential, and new beginnings. We hit 2017 with a new legislative framework that promises to reshape the way we look after our coastal environments. We've chalked up 25 years of NSW Coastal Conferences and collectively possess considerable experience in managing coastal problems. It's now time to put it all into practice and make this next wave, if not the perfect ride, then as good as we can manage. We're always striving to be better, work smarter and implement everything we've learned – and the thing that binds us together is our love for the coast in all its forms. Doing it together is more fun, so we warmly invite you to join us on **The Next Wave** and make this year's conference the new high water mark in best practice coastal management.

Our coast has a varied and dynamic character, and its many faces require us to be flexible, innovative and respectful. In recognising this, the selection of papers this year will aim to be representative of the diversity of all coastal environments, and all coastal managers and communities. The NSW Coastal Conference Committee would like to encourage papers from anyone that has an interest in making their coast a better place.

The Conference Committee are now calling for papers and presentations from individuals or organisations to come and share their experience and ideas with the NSW Coastal Conference 2017.

Conference Background



The NSW Coastal Conference is Australia's oldest annual coastal conference. The conference attracts over 250 delegates from a diverse range of fields, including: all aspects of coastal, estuarine and marine management, science and research, and education, planning, policy and law; and includes representatives from government, the private sector and community groups and the interested public.

The conference is a three-day event which comprises of plenary sessions, concurrent sessions, panel discussions, workshops, field trips (addressing some of the local coastal, estuary and marine management issues), networking events and the Annual NSW Coastal Management Awards.

This year we turn the spotlight onto the following conference topics:

- + **Getting Dirty:** the practicalities of implementation, works on the ground.
- + **Confronting the Past:** lessons learnt, moving forward after major events.
- + **Facing the Future:** population and social change, climate change, sea level rise, coastal management planning (CMPs), adaptive management, resilience.
- + **Alternative Facts:** public engagement and consultation, dealing with conflict, integrating knowledges, sectoral perspectives e.g. recreation, tourism, emergency management.
- + **Risky Business:** all aspects of risk (risk governance, assessment, evaluation, management etc.), economic valuation, cost benefit analysis, funding, legal, policy.

The conference offers researchers the **opportunity** to showcase their research to coastal managers and decision makers. Post-graduate students of all disciplines studying issues of relevance to coastal management are encouraged to submit abstracts.



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Closing Date For Abstract Submission: Friday 23rd June 2017

Presentation Types

10 Minute Oral Presentation

Presentation for concurrent session, no question time.

20 Minute Oral Presentation

Presentation for concurrent session, including question time.

Poster Presentation

Electronic posters will be available this year and an opportunity will be available to display and address your poster during the conference. **A prize will be offered to the most outstanding poster presentation and people's choice.**

Full Papers

FULL PAPERS are a requirement for those who are accepted to deliver a 20 minute presentation. Full papers are optional for a 10 minute presentation. This will greatly enhance the information sharing benefits of participation at this conference. Full papers will be published electronically on the conference website following the conclusion of the conference. Guidelines on full paper submission will be distributed if your abstract is accepted. The deadline for full paper submission is Friday 20th October 2017.

General Policies and Requirements for Submission of Abstracts

All presentation modes require an abstract to be submitted. Please refer to the conference website for General Policies and Requirements for Submission of Abstracts - www.coastalconference.com

How To Submit Your Abstract

Abstract submission will only be available via the conference website www.coastalconference.com

Abstracts must be prepared in accordance with the "Author Instructions" document, included on the 'Program' page of the conference website. A template is also available online to assist you in preparing your abstract in the correct format. Abstracts should be a maximum of 300 words.

Abstracts should also include a one sentence potential tweet/ highlight of the presentation that may be used by the organising committee prior to or during the conference to advertise or promote individual presentations.

Critical Dates

Abstract Submission Deadline	Friday 23rd June 2017
Presenter Notification	Friday 11th August 2017
Presenter & Early Registration	Friday 22nd September 2017
Full Paper Submission	Friday 20th October 2017



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