

Date: 6-8 July 2022

Venue: Mackay Entertainment Convention Centre

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All sessions will run on **AEST**.

Wednesday, July 6, 2022

	Auditorium
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Conference Educational Tours - Meet at the Convention Centre Entrance for pick up Additional Cost to delegates. View the conference website for more information - northaust.org.au/2022-networking-tours
	Keynote Session 1 - Auditorium - In Person and Online Chair: Professor Allan Dale
1:30 PM - 1:40 PM	Welcome to Country Philip Kemp, Traditional Custodian descendant of the Yuibera people for Yuibera (Yuwi) Country
1:40 PM - 1:50 PM	Housekeeping Sam Stewart, CEO, Association for Sustainability in Business
1:50 PM - 2:00 PM	Conference Opening Professor Allan Dale, The Cairns Institute, JCU (Conference Chair)
2:00 PM - 2:10 PM	Host Council Welcome Address Mayor Greg Williamson, Mayor of Mackay Regional Council
2:10 PM - 2:30 PM	Presentation by The Hon Madeleine King MP Minister for Resources and Northern Australia
2:30 PM - 2:40 PM	Presentation by Senator the Hon Murray Watt. Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry; Minister for Emergency Management
2:40 PM - 2:50 PM	Presentation by Senator Nita Green Senator for Queensland and Special Envoy for the Great Barrier Reef
2:50 PM - 3:10 PM	Presentation by Senator Susan McDonald LNP Senator for Queensland; Shadow Minister for Resources and Northern Australia
3:10 PM - 3:40 PM	The Aboriginal Land Economic Development Agency: a New Model for Inclusive Development Tony Renehan, Vin Lange, Joseph Clarke & Kim Mahood, Centrefarm
3:40 PM - 4:10 PM	Afternoon Tea with Exhibition and Poster Presentations - Hall 1 & 2
4:10 PM - 4:11 PM	Keynote Session 2 - Auditorium - In Person and Online Chair: Professor Allan Dale
4:10 PM - 5:30 PM	The Future of the Northern Australia Agenda: A NT, QLD and WA Ministerial Perspective The Hon Nicole Manison , Deputy Chief Minister, Northern Territory Government The Hon Glenn Butcher , Minister for Regional Development and Manufacturing and Minister for Water, Queensland Government The Hon. Darren West MLC Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Hydrogen Industry, and Member for Agricultural Region



Thursday, July 7, 2022

	Auditorium	North Foyer	Lynette Denny Space	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2	Meeting Rooms 3 & 4
5:30 AM - 8:20 AM	Beach Sunrise with the Wallabies Experience Additional Cost to delegates. Pick-up from the Mackay CBD Hotels by 5.30am. Drop off at the MECC by 8.20am. Includes a breakfast.				
	Keynote Session 3 - Auditorium - In Person and Online Chair: Professor Allan Dale				
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Realising Inclusive Growth - From Concepts to Practice Belinda Drew, CEO, Community Services Industry Alliance				
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Thinking Bigger - Defence, National Security and Nation Building in Northern Australia Dr John Coyne, Head Of Northern Australia Strategic Policy Centre, Australian Strategic Policy Institute				
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	(VIRTUAL) Indigenous Success in Trade is Central to Indigenous Futures Darren Godwell, Chief Executive Officer, I2I Global				
10:00 AM - 10:10 AM	New Northern Australia Indigenous Reference Group Introduction Colin Saltmere, Chair, Indigenous Reference Group				
10:10 AM - 10:40 AM	Morning Tea - Day 2 with Exhibition and Poster Presentations - Hall 1 & 2				
10:40 AM - 10:41 AM	Concurrent Session 1 - In Person and Online Chair: Terry Hill	Concurrent Session 2 - In Person Only - Energy & Resources Chair: CQU University	Concurrent Session 3 - In Person Only - Enabling Infrastructure Chair: Kylie Porter	Concurrent Session 4 - In Person Only - Mobilising Indigenous Led Development Chair: Nerida Homer	Concurrent Session 5 - In Person Only Panel Session
10:40 AM - 11:00 AM	Croc Pitch Round 1 - Pitch for Your Chance to Win \$1 Million in Venture Capital Panel Members: Louie Trajkoski, Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility, Emma Nesbitt, Darwin Innovation Hub & Paspalis Investment Committee, Michael Home, NAB Mackay and Whitsundays & Professor Allan Dale, James Cook University	Connecting Communities, Building Intelligent Cities and Powering Possibility for the Future Carly Irving, Energy Queensland, Yurika	A Strategy for Targeted Investment in Telecommunications Infrastructure and Digital Capability-building in Northern Australia Dr Amber Marshall, Digital Media Research Centre, Queensland University of Technology	Mobilising Indigenous Led Development Ben Gertz, NAIF; Fiona Pelling, Cowboys; Thomas Holden, ActivateOne	Secure the North - Cyber Risk Management and Securing the Supply Chain Miranda Mears, Smart Precinct Nq And Trust Bureau
11:02 AM - 11:22 AM	Croc Pitch Shortlist Belinda Brown Co2 Biotechnologies, Rowan Foley Aboriginal Carbon Foundation, Marcel Morokutti E-abode Pty Ltd, Nigel Doyle Territory Sands Pty Ltd, Tim Hill Essential Water and Energy Services Pty Ltd, (VIRTUAL) Trent Brady Jungara Energy, Naumai Taurua Otago Polytechnic, Katrina Donaghy Civic Ledger	Shifting Geopolitics: Increasing Demand for Northern Australia's Renewable Energy, Critical Minerals and Resource Development Jason Finlay, Nt Department Of The Chief Minister And Cabinet	National Review of Water Supplies in Remote Australia Eric Vanweydevel, Aquanex Water Management	Solving Real World Indigenous Community Challenges in Northern Australia Through Digital and Data Driven Solutions Darryl Lyons, Skynet Group/ TNQ Drought Hub	A Local Approach to National Disaster Resilience. Justine Saunders APM, Acting Coordinator-General.

11:24 AM - 11:44 AM	<p>More information here - northaust.org.au/2022-dna-croc-pitch</p>	<p>A Case Study in Meeting Global Demand for Critical Minerals from the Northern Territory Gavin Lockyer, Arafura Resources Limited</p>	<p>CopperString Transmission Network; Unlocking the Enormous Potential of Minerals and Energy Across North Eastern Australia Joseph O'Brien, CopperString 2.0</p>	<p>Social and Economic Opportunities for the Mandingalbay Yidinji people, the Community of Yarrabah and FNQ David Edwards, PwC</p>	<p>Eye screening for diabetic retinopathy management in remote communities in northern Australia using telehealth technologies Justin Boyle, CSIRO</p>
11:46 AM - 12:06 PM		<p>Renewable Energy in the North – Opportunities and Constraints Peter Long, City of Karratha</p>	<p>NT Infrastructure Strategy, Plan and Pipeline Lousie McCormick, Dept Infrastructure, Planning And Logistics</p>	<p>Indigenous Business Australia's Impact on Indigenous Economic Development in the North Siddharth Shirodkar, Indigenous Business Australia</p>	<p>The Transformational Potential of Savannah Way. Mark Forbes, Gulf Savannah Development</p>
12:06 PM - 12:30 PM	<p>Poster Session - Hall 1 & 2</p> <p>Alexandra Mitchell National Association Of Sustainable Agriculture-australia (nasaa) Andy Bubb CRC Developing Northern Australia Maximising Tropical Forestry Project Antanas Spokevicius The University Of Melbourne Bill Sankey Department Of Industry, Tourism And Trade Carla Keith Crcna Carrie-ann Wilson James Cook University Danielle Green Parliament Of Victoria David Kempton Regional Development Australia Tropical North Delwar Akbar Central Queensland University Emma Young Gundjehmi Aboriginal Corporation Jabiru Town Guy Boekenstein Defencent Helen Lewis Outback Highway Development Council Inc Hulton King North Queensland Forestry Hub Jane McNamara Flinders Shire Council Jonathon Flegg Tamboran Resources Joshua Gallagher Pacific Labour Facility Justin Boyle CSIRO Kabala Katwishi Ekistica Kathryn Morton Indigenous Land And Sea Corporation kerry Walsh CQ University Mani Naiker Central Queensland University Mark Forbes Gulf Savannah Development Matt Delagen NAIF Naumai Taurua Otago Polytechnic Nicola Novello Cquiversity Paddy Aicken Clean Energy Regulator Paul Toussaint-Jackson Australian Floating Decks Pty Ltd Peter Spies Thomas Elder Consulting (elders) Pip Schroor Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance Ross Franklin PwC Sheena Dunne National Water Grid Authority Sherry Smith Greater Whitsunday Alliance Siah Mye Office Of Northern Australia Tracey Holmes Townsville Enterprise Travis McNaught Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation Zoltan Samyai James Cook University Oluwatosin Esther Falade, The University of Melbourne</p>				
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch - Day 2 with Exhibition and Poster Presentations - Hall 1 & 2				
	<p>Concurrent Session 6 - In Person and Online - Reaching Further North - Business, Trade and Investment</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Asialink Business</p> </div> <p>Chair: Emma Wallace</p>	<p>Concurrent Session 7 - In Person Only - Next Generation Agriculture & Water Chair: Luke Bowen</p>	<p>Concurrent Session 8 - In Person Only - Liveability, Affordability, Health and Workforce Chair: Cr Karen May</p>	<p>Concurrent Session 9 - In Person Only - 7 Minute Snapshot Presentations Chair: Terry Hill</p>	<p>Concurrent Session 10 - In Person Only - Panel Session Chair: Professor Allan Dale</p>

1:30 PM - 1:50 PM	Securing the North's Long-Term Prosperity by Joining Asia's Carbon Transition Journey Robert Law, Asialink Business	Possible Futures for Queensland Coastal Agriculture Ian Biggs, CRC for Developing Northern Australia	The Critical Role of the Lived Experience of Suicide Peer Workforce Throughout Community and Industry Bronwen Edwards, Roses In The Ocean	Block 1	Mobilising Indigenous Lead Development Indigenous Reference Group Representatives:
1:52 PM - 2:12 PM	The NAIF Small Loans Program Louie Trajkoski, NAIF	Opportunities for Full Crop Utilisation in Northern Australia Pablo Juliano, CSIRO	Desperately Seeking Tradies – Opportunities in a Globally Competitive Skills Market Catherine White, Department Of Industry Tourism And Trade	Block 2 Simon Irving, CSIRO Melinda Eades, Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance Inc Simon Booth, Local Government Association Queensland &	Panel Continued. .
2:14 PM - 2:34 PM	Connectivity Literacy: A Conceptual Framework Towards Understanding Technology Adoption in Rural, Regional, Remote Australia Rachel Hay, James Cook University	Australian Great Northern Spice: Opportunities and Challenges Surya Bhattarai, Central Queensland University	Beef, Barra and Burnouts – Transforming Regional Economies Greg Bowden, Advance Rockhampton	Block 3 Anthony Curro, CRCNA Leeanne Wilson, PITTA PITTA Bernadette Zerba, Deputy Director-General, Manufacturing and Water	Richie Ah Mat
2:36 PM - 2:56 PM	Conserving and Restoring Coastal Ecosystems - The Potential of Blue Carbon Projects for Northern Australia William Hamill, South Pole Australia Pty Ltd	Adelaide River Offstream Water Supply Project Harrison Bray, Darwin Regional Water Security	A Hybrid Model of Social Enterprise to Address Liveability in Northern Australia- Challenges and Opportunities Maree Franettovich, Careerforce Australia	Block 4 Neil Mcnish, Remplan Joel Johnson, Central Queensland University	Chris MacDonald
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Afternoon Tea - Day 2 with Exhibition and Poster Presentations - Hall 1 & 2				
3:29 PM - 3:30 PM	Concurrent Session 11 - In Person and Online Panel Session	Concurrent Session 12 - In Person Only - A Vision of a Sustainable and Inclusive Northern Australia Chair: Cr Karen May	Concurrent Session 13 - In Person Only - Reaching Further North - Business, Trade and Investment Chair: Grant Stanly	Concurrent Session 14 - In Person Only - Innovation in the North Chair: Steph Smith	Concurrent Session 15 - In Person Only Workshop
3:30 PM - 3:50 PM	Foundations of Success of the Indigenous-Led Carbon Industry Anna Boustead, Toni Hay, Willie Rioli , Indigenous Carbon Industry Network	Re-Imagining Health Policy: Addressing the Social Determinants Sarah Docherty, CRC for Developing Northern Australia	Developing a World First Tropical Rock Lobster Aquaculture Industry in Northern Australia Jennifer Blair, Ormatas	Start.Grow.Fund Darwin Innovation Hub	Investment Finance is Hard to Get. Now There's Another Thing to Consider Bronwyn Reid, Small Company, Big Business
3:52 PM - 4:12 PM	Panel Continued. .	The Need For Integrated Catchment Management - A Case Study in the Burdekin River Basin David Cassells, Retired Environmental Scientist	How Local Government Can Lead the Way in the Economic Transformation of Northern Australia Jenny Hill, Townsville City Council	Developing a Digital North John Grout, Northern Territory Government	Workshop Continued
4:14 PM - 4:34 PM	Panel Continued. ...	Beyond the Triple Bottom Line: Social Sustainability and the Major Project Approvals Process Maggi Stanley, Isaac Regional Council	No Presentation	Our Approach to Winning Investment: Five Goals for Developing the Northern Territory Jason Schoolmeester, NT Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet	Workshop Continued ..

4:36 PM - 4:56 PM	Panel Continued.	How to approach sustainable farming practices using smart practices that improve overall soil health Peter Spies, Thomas Elder Consulting (elders)	Enhancing Drought Resilience Preparedness for Indigenous Communities, Regions and Agricultural Industries Through Innovation and Co-Design David Phelps, James Cook University	Positioning Australia: Empowering Northern Australia's Precise Positioning Capability Ryan Ruddick, Geoscience Australia	Workshop Continued
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5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Conference Dinner - Proudly Supported by NBN Co



Dinner Speaker: Gavin Williams, Chief Development Officer, Regional and Remote, NBN Co

Friday, July 8, 2022

	Auditorium	North Foyer	Lynette Denny Space	Meeting Rooms 1 & 2	Meeting Rooms 3 & 4
7:00 AM - 8:15 AM	Breakfast - North Foyer  Proudly Supported by Field Solutions Group				
8:29 AM - 8:30 AM	Keynote Session 4 - In Person and Online - Auditorium Chair: Professor Allan Dale				
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Addressing the Challenge of Workforce Development in the North Narelle Pearse, Vice-President, Students & Corporate Services, CQUniversity				
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Building a Successful Export Business in Northern Australia from the Ground Up Daniel Kimberley, Founding Director, Monsoon Aquatics - 2021 Australian Exporter of the Year				
9:30 AM - 10:15 AM	Conference Panel: Northern Australia: Current Directions and Collaboration Across Key Institutions Linda Lee, Office of Northern Australia, Anne Stünzner, CRCNA, and Craig Doyle, NAIF				
10:15 AM - 10:45 AM	Morning Tea - Day 3 with Exhibition and Poster Presentations - Hall 1 & 2				
10:44 AM - 10:45 AM	Concurrent Session 16 - In Person and Online Chair: Emma Nesbit	Concurrent Session 17 - In Person Only - Liveability, Affordability, Health and Workforce Chair: Aletta Nugent	Concurrent Session 18 - In person Only - Enabling Infrastructure Chair:	Concurrent Session 19 - In Person Only - Next Generation Agriculture & Water Chair: Kylie Porter	Concurrent Session 20 - In Person Only Panel Session
10:45 AM - 11:05 AM	Kerbside Organic Waste Collections – North Queensland Councils Leading the Way Neil Fisher, LAWMAC	Making Northern Australia More Liveable Arron Minchin, City Of Karratha	Enabling Infrastructure: Building Connectivity that Aids Community Betterment Vin Mullins & Gareth Long, Field Solutions Group	A Regional Approach to Water Development - Etheridge Irrigation and Agricultural Precinct David Kempton, Regional Development Australia Tropical North	Planning for Welcoming & Inclusive Communities Aleem Ali, Welcoming Australia, Erica Borrowdale, Multicultural Affairs, - Cassandra White, Paroo Shire Council and John van Kooy, Senior Research Analyst
11:07 AM - 11:27 AM	Regional approach to education, skills and training acting as a key enabler for industry growth Sherry Smith, Education, Skills And Training Project Coordinator	Growing Coordination and Investment in Health Workforce Recruitment and Retention: The Academic Health Centre Model Emeritus Professor Ian Wronski, Tropical Australian Academic Health Centre	Delivering enabling infrastructure in Northern Australia with private sector support Ross Franklin, PwC	Scaling Next Generation Water Markets in Northern Australia Katrina Donaghy, Civic Ledger	Panel 3 continues

11:29 AM - 11:49 AM	<p>Northern Food and Fibre: Integrating cropping and beef production systems for regional outcomes. Anne Stünzner, CRCNA,</p>	<p>Pre- Recording: A Heating North: Major Implications for Professional Workforce Already Under Way Dr. Simon Quilty, Australian National University, Alice Springs Hospital</p>	<p>Looking Ahead- How the Australian Infrastructure Plan Addresses the Needs of Australia's North for a Prosperous Future Romilly Madew - Virtual</p>	<p>CRCNA Project: Developing an Oilseed Industry for Northern Australia, an Overview of Project Outcomes To-date Nick Hill, Farmacist</p>	Panel 3 continues...
11:51 AM - 12:11 PM	<p>Planning for the future of Northern Australia Electra Papas, Director, ONA & Ray Winn, Senior Principal Economist WSP</p>	<p>Western QLD Housing Shortage Solutions Study Andrew Martin, RDA Central And Western Qld</p>	<p>Port of Townsville Expansion Project. Helaina Bannister, Port of Townsville</p>	<p>Creating Sustainable Circular Economies for Northern Australian Agricultural Systems, Recycling Waste into Value Added Foods Tony Matchett, Savannah Sun Foods</p>	Panel 3 continues...
12:11 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch - Day 3 with Exhibition and Poster Presentations - Hall 1 & 2				
1:00 PM - 1:01 PM	Keynote Session 5 - In Person and Online - Auditorium Chair: Professor Allan Dale				
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	(VIRTUAL) How renewable energy can power jobs and investment in the Northern Territory Heidi Lee, Chief Executive Officer, Beyond Zero Emissions				
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM	The Clash of Aspiration and Reality Kylie Porter, Chief Executive Officer, Greater Whitsunday Alliance (GW3)				
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Presentation by Claire Martin. Claire Martin, National President, Australian Institute of Landscape Architects				
2:30 PM - 2:40 PM	Update on FBT Proposal. Brendon Grylls, Director, Brendon Grylls Group				
2:40 PM - 3:00 PM	Croc Pitch Winner, Prize Draw, 2023 Announcement, Conference Closing				