



HYDROSPATIAL 2021 CONFERENCE – ‘HYDROGRAPHY OF THE FUTURE’

The Australasian Hydrographic Society (AHS) is pleased to announce that its internationally recognised hydrographic conference program will return to Australia in 2021. The three-day **Hydrospatial 2021 Conference** is planned for the period 27-29 October 2021 and will be held in Cairns QLD at the Pullman Cairns International Hotel. A Conference Committee has been established and planning is well developed.

The theme of the Conference is: ***‘Hydrography of the Future’***. This theme will focus on how the hydrography will develop further into the future noting the development of *‘Digital Twinning’*, and the emerging name variants for *‘hydrography’* such as *‘hydrospatial’* or *‘hydrogeomatics’*. The theme has been chosen as it morphs two modern yet wide-ranging aspects of the hydrographic surveying profession that should draw conference papers from relevant scientific, technological, operational, and environmental communities. The aim of this theme is to provide conference delegates valuable insights, creative ideas, and inspiration on how to harness current and future technologies, systems and processes available to hydrographic survey specialists so that they can cope with present challenges and prepare for a more sustainable future.

The conference program is planned to include an ice breaker session, plenary sessions hosted by thought leaders and industry heavy weights, keynote speakers, traditional presentations, industry demonstrations and exhibits and a conference dinner.

A dedicated website will be launched during February 2021; speakers and conference papers will be sought. The Conference Committee will also be seeking interest from industry partners to provide sponsorship and exhibits for the event.

If you have sponsorship capacity and/or an interest in exhibiting or speaking please contact the Conference Director, John Maschke, via email: swp@ahs.asn.au or maschkejw@gmail.com , or the Conference Organiser, Conference Solutions, via email: hydrospatial2021@con-sol.com

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