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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

# Queensland Disaster Management Conference

**27-29 May 2025**  
Brisbane Convention  
and Exhibition Centre

**Ready Together:**  
Navigating Local Leadership for  
Future Disaster Preparedness



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## Tuesday 27 May

TIME	OPTIONAL SITE TOUR: Chair and LDCs tour of Kedron
8:30am	Attendees to make their own way to State Disaster Coordination Centre, Kedron. A bus will be provided to transport all attendees back to the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre (BCEC).
9:00am	<b>Welcome and Housekeeping</b> Auditorium
9:10am	<b>Tour of Kedron</b> Local Disaster Management Group Chairs, new to the role or yet to visit the State Disaster Coordination Centre (SDCC), are invited to a site tour hosted by the Queensland Police Service Emergency Management Coordination Command (EMCC). The site tour will provide an overview of the capabilities and functions within the SDCC and an opportunity to meet the EMCC team. <i>Please ensure you register for this tour, as there are limited spaces.</i>
10:10am	Morning Tea
11:00am	Wrap-up
11:15am	Bus departs for BCEC

TIME	SESSIONS
12:00pm	<b>Registration and Lunch</b>
1:00pm	<b>Welcome and Housekeeping</b>
1:05pm	<b>Acknowledgment of Country</b>
1:15pm	<b>LGAQ CEO Welcome</b> Alison Smith, Chief Executive Officer, LGAQ
1:25pm	<b>Official Opening</b>
1:35pm	<b>Ready Together: Queensland's Disaster Reforms Report Card</b> <b>QDMC Insights and Expectations</b>
2:00pm	<b>Ready Together: Queensland's Disaster Reforms   Panel</b>
2:40pm	<b>Partner Address:</b> Telstra
2:45pm	Afternoon Tea
3:15pm	<b>Rapid Recovery: Prequalified Local Suppliers Clean Up Quicker</b>
3:25pm	<b>State Government Update</b>
3:40pm	<b>Keynote Speaker</b>
4:10pm	<b>Networking Event Partner Address:</b> King & Company Solicitors
4:15–5:30pm	Recovery Refreshments in the Trade Exhibition

## Wednesday 28 May

TIME	SESSIONS
8:30am	<b>Registration</b> Arrival Tea and Coffee
9:00am	<b>Welcome to Day 2</b>
9:05am	<b>Ready Together: Strategies for Leadership During Disasters</b>
9:35am	<b>Lessons From the Eye of the Storm   Disaster Leadership Panel</b>
10:25am	<b>Partner Address:</b> Brighter Super
10:30am	Morning Tea
11:00am	<b>Council Disaster Case Studies</b> <b>Case Study 1: Gladstone Regional Council Tsunami Risk Research</b> <b>Case Study 2: Importance of Business Continuity Planning</b>
12:00pm	Lunch
1:15pm	<b>AI and Emerging Technology – Are We Disaster Ready?</b> Tracy Whitelaw, Chief Digital Officer, LGAQ
1:45pm	<b>Concurrent Workshops</b> <b>Session A: Planning and Plans, Office of the IGEM</b> <b>Session B: Biosecurity, LGAQ</b>
2:20pm	<b>Concurrent Workshops</b> <b>Session C: Exploring Council 2 Council, LGAQ</b> <b>Session D: Get Ready Queensland Planning, QRA</b>
2:50pm	Afternoon Tea
3:15pm	<b>Ready Together: Enhancing Hazard and Risk for Local Communities</b>
4:05pm	<b>Sponsor Address:</b> AirBridge
4:15pm	<b>Hot Topic: Getting Game Ready for Major Events</b> On the couch with QPS, QFD and QAS
4:45pm	<b>Wrap of Day 2</b>
5:00–7:00pm	<b>Networking Mixer in the Trade Exhibition</b> Leave the suit at home for this relaxed networking and connection event <b>Sponsored by AirBridge and Vocus</b>

## Thursday 29 May

TIME	SESSIONS
8:30am	<b>Registration</b> Arrival Tea and Coffee
9:00am	<b>Welcome to Day 3</b>
9:05am	<b>Government Update</b>
9:20am	<b>Ready Together: Community Comms During Disaster</b> <b>1. Insights From Recent Reviews</b> <b>2. Communicating With Kids</b> <b>3. Getting the Most Out of Get Ready</b> <b>4. Lessons Learned on Language</b>
10:00am	<b>Ready Together: Community Comms During Disaster   Panel</b>
10:30am	Morning Tea
11:00am	<b>The Impact of Local Government Decisions on Pricing: Harnessing the Power of Data Sharing</b>
11:20am	<b>Ready Together: Beyond the Blaze – Rebuilding After Bushfire   Panel</b>
11:50am	<b>Keynote</b>
12:30pm	<b>Conference Close</b>

Please note this the program is subject to change.



## Registration (GST Inclusive)

- **Corporate Registration** \$1200.00
- **Full Registration** \$1000.00
- **Dinner Registration** \$95.00

[Register here](#)



## Accommodation

### ➤ **Rydges Southbank**

**Please see the 10% off Direct Local Delegate** [link](#)

**Please note:** State of Origin falls on the Wednesday night of our event and that availability of discounted accommodation may be impacted.

If you have any questions when booking accommodation, please contact the Reservations Team on **07 3364 0800**.





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