

Concept Note

Background

Locate is the national conference of the Geospatial Council of Australia, and each year attracts national and international delegates from within and outside the geospatial industry. As Australia's premier geospatial conference, Locate provides guests with a unique opportunity to learn about the latest trends and applications in geospatial technologies.

Since its beginning in 2014, Locate has visited 5 different cities, and become Australia's leading event for those working in the geospatial industry. Locate was the first step to unify the Australasian geospatial industry, and has undoubtedly grown to be recognised as the nation's geospatial event of the year.

With the ever-growing relationship between the geospatial and space sectors, Locate continues to further expand the educational content of the program each year.

For more information, you can visit <https://locate.geospatialcouncil.org.au/>.

Venue and Date/Time

Venue: International Convention Centre, Sydney

Date/Time: 7-9 May 2024

Co-organizers

Geospatial Council of Australia

Participants

National and international delegates from within and outside the geospatial industry

Registration links & fees

Specific registration link for Executive Board Members and meeting attendees:

<https://willorganise.eventsair.com/2024-locate/un-ggim-registration>

When registering, the second page of the registration displays options to identify the registrant as an Executive Board Member, staff or observer. This selection will then activate the complimentary or discounted registration.

Registration fees:

1. Free for EB members (or his/her one representative if he/she cannot attend in person).
2. Discount price (990 AUD) for others, such as WG Chairs, observers, and other accompanied staff, etc.

Programme

The program will be made up of four plenary sessions, workshops and concurrent sessions as well as host the Geospatial Excellence Awards.

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TUESDAY 7 MAY 2024	0900 - 1700	Registration open					
	OPTIONAL WORKSHOPS - Workshop information released mid-March						
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	1130 - 1300	YEP SOCIAL EVENT Location: tbc Dress: Business casual Cost: Included with a conference registration Sponsored by: BHP <i>If you're a young and emerging professional, student or early-career researcher and you'd like the network with your fellow peers before heading into the YEP Forum, you're invited to head to the YEP Social Event. This is a great opportunity to network and build connections in a casual setting.</i>					
	1200 - 1630	Locate Exhibition Showcase Free to attend, open to all (registration required) 'Onneer Coffee Cart' open					
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	1700 - 2100	Welcome Reception Location: The Gallery, ICC Dress: Business casual Cost: Included with a full conference ticket or \$90.00 for a single ticket Hosted within the bustling heart of the exhibition hall, the Welcome Reception will run amongst the Locate24 exhibition booths and will allow you to join your fellow conference attendees for buzzing conversations, delicious canapes and casual drinks. Whether you're a seasoned professional or a newcomer to the scene, this gathering promises an evening filled with networking opportunities and will give you a preview of the exciting advancements awaiting within the halls of the exhibition.					
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WEDNESDAY 8 MAY 2024	0730	Registration opens						
	0730	Exhibition and 'Onneer Coffee Cart' open						
	0830	OPENING SESSION						
	0830	Welcome to Country						
	0845	Geospatial Council of Australia CEO address						
	0855	Opening ceremony						
	0925	PLENARY: ECONOMIC VALUE OF GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION						
	0930	Launching the economic impact of geospatial information report <i>The Hon. Kate Lundy, Geospatial Council of Australia</i>						
	0940	Demonstrating the benefits of geospatial information through case studies Foundation spatial data <i>Narelle Underwood, NSW Spatial Services, NSW</i>						
	0950	The value of PNT in underwriting Australia's GDP <i>Martine Woolf, Geoscience Australia, ACT</i>						
1000	From Data to Difference - Delivering Impact Through Geospatial <i>Paul Farrell, MGIS, WA</i>							
1010	Interactive Q&A							
1030	MORNING TEA							
1040	Tech talks & case studies - details to be released by mid-March							
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	1515	AFTERNOON TEA				
Pymont Theatre	1545	PLENARY: ETHICS AND GOVERNANCE IN GEN-AI <i>The Director National AI Centre CSIRO, Sreka Salar, recently cited a hidden statistic... 30-40 per cent of employees are now using generative AI in the workplace, and 68 per cent of them are not telling anyone about it. Generative AI can either be ignored and 'live in the shadows' of our organisations, or alternatively conversations that balance both the transformation opportunity against risk appetite and controls can guide its introduction and adoption. Our panel of experts will discuss the governance of AI, what organisations should be thinking about and how AI will impact the geospatial sector into the future.</i> Panellists include: Ian Opperman, co-founder, Service Generation John Volastro, Chief Executive Officer, SimplyAI Prof Fang Chen, Executive Director, UTS Data Science Institute & other to be confirmed				
Room C2.1	1645	SESSION ENDS				
Room C2.2	1830	PRE-DINNER DRINKS				
Room C2.3	1900	Geospatial Excellence Awards Dinner Location: Parkside Ballroom, ICC Time: 1900 - 1700 Dress: Black Tie Cost included with a full conference ticket or \$180.00 for a single ticket We are proud to present the Geospatial Excellence Awards (previously the Asia-Pacific Spatial Excellence Awards) which celebrate the remarkable achievements of outstanding individuals and organisations within the geospatial sector. The Geospatial Excellence Awards are a unique opportunity to celebrate the stars of our industry, highlighting their contributions to advancing the field of geospatial science and all its disciplines. By recognising excellence in innovation, professionalism, and performance, we strive to inspire further advancements and foster a vibrant and thriving community. Join us as we honour the trailblazers, showcase remarkable achievements, and applaud the very best projects and individuals that shape the future.				
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Pymont Theatre	1115	PLENARY: SUSTAINABLE HORIZONS: INTEGRATING CULTURE, COMMUNITY, AND ENVIRONMENT FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE <i>To have impact, you must have context. To have context you must understand location. Building a brighter, more sustainable future, in the face of significant global challenges like climate change and food security requires we understand the interconnectedness between our natural and built environments - and the influences over them - community and culture.</i> In this session, you will hear use cases from some of Australia's leading experts, highlighting how their organisations are using geospatial capabilities and outcomes to bring context and impact - to drive a more sustainable and brighter future for all.				
Room C2.1	1115	Australia's opportunity to lead the world in responsible geospatial impact Prof Deen Sanders, Partner, Deloitte Access Economics				
Room C2.2	1130	How spatial data is at the centre of smartplaces Rory Brown, Executive Director, Smart Places (Transport for NSW)				
Room C2.3	1145	Brisbane's blueprint for future economic growth Dyan Currie, Brisbane City Council City Planner and Executive General Manager, Brisbane 2032 Host City and Strategic Partnerships				
Room C2.4	1200	Shaping a Strong Economy, Resilient Society, and Sustainable Environment: Geoscience Australia's Geospatial Impact and Vision Dr James Johnson, CEO, Geoscience Australia				
Room C2.5	1215	Panel Discussion				
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THURSDAY 9 MAY 2024	PLENARY: THE FUTURE OF GEOSPATIAL ECOSYSTEMS <small>SPONSORED BY WOOLPERT</small> <i>This session will explore, and open an interactive discussion into, the "Future of Geospatial Ecosystems", investigating how current and emerging Geospatial programs, technologies and trends are shaping the future of Geospatial, in particular in enabling cross-functional and cross-sectoral integration and interoperability across the growing network of geospatial programs, producers and users. The session will bring together leaders from across Australia and Asia-Pacific to share their experiences, insights and applied learnings on how current and emerging Geospatial programs, technologies and trends are shaping the future of Geospatial Ecosystems.</i>
	1345 Geospatial trends and its impact <i>Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) leadership</i>
	Geospatial Ecosystem beyond SDIs Panellists include: Brian Nicholls, VP, Woolpert Lisa Bush, Branch Head Location, Geoscience Australia Dr Victor Khao, Director Survey, Singapore Land Authority and UN-GGIM VP Asia Pacific Prof Sisi Zlatanova, University of New South Wales Tony Wheeler, CEO, Geospatial Council of Australia
	CLOSING CEREMONY
	1520 Geospatial Council of Australia President
	1525 Narelle Underwood, Locate24 Convenor
	1530 Announcement for FIG 2025
	1535 Networking Drinks
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