

BIOMETRICS by the Canals



The International Biometric Society, Australasian Region Conference

The Sebel Mandurah Hotel, Western Australia , December 1-5, 2013

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INVITATION

On behalf of the Australasian Region of the International Biometric Society we invite you to join us for our biennial conference which will be held in Mandurah, Western Australia, from 1-5 December, 2013. Share your successes and failures with other professional statisticians working in the biosciences, including agriculture, biomedical science and public health, bioinformatics, ecology, environmental sciences and forestry. Themes for the conference will be:

- Spatial and temporal statistics
- Linear mixed models
- Complex genetic mixed models
- Design of experiments
- Generalized linear and additive models
- Bayesian methods

The four-day conference, 2-5 December, will be preceded by two one-day short courses on Sunday, 1 December:

Statistics for Spatio-Temporal Data given by Prof. Noel Cressie
Vector Generalized Linear and Additive Models given by Dr. Thomas Yee

Further information will become available on the conference website:

<http://www.BiometricSociety.org.au/conferences/Mandurah2013>

Kind regards

The Local Organising Committee & the Scientific Programme Committee

INVITED SPEAKERS

Prof. Noel Cressie
(co-sponsored by NIASRA)
NIASRA, University of Wollongong
Spatio-temporal smoothing

Thomas Yee
Auckland University
Generalized linear models

Prof. Ian James
Murdoch University
Host-viral interactions

Prof. Christine Müller
Technische Universität Dortmund
Prediction of growth processes

Prof. Alan Welsh
Australian National University
Selecting linear mixed models

Ric Coe
World Agroforestry Centre
Option x Context interaction and design of multi-environment trials

Registrations and abstracts open 3 June 2013

CONFERENCE LOCATION

Mandurah is located 72 kilometres south of Perth on the edge of the Peel-Harvey estuary, an idyllic inland waterway of over 130 square kilometres, twice the size of Sydney Harbour, and blessed with abundant marine life and natural beauty. Recently declared Australia's fastest growing regional destination, the coastal town of Mandurah has become a vibrant tourist attraction with a multitude of activities and entertainment throughout the year. It has delightful restaurants and cafes, crystal clear blue water, and an abundance of activities for the whole family, Mandurah makes for a great getaway!

CONFERENCE VENUE

The conference will be held at **The Sebel Mandurah Hotel** which is located on the stunning Mandurah Estuary with spectacular water views and close to the attractions of Mandurah.



TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION

Travel options from Perth to Mandurah will be publicised on the conference website at the time of registration

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

A conference is not complete without the opportunity to socialise and network with colleagues, providing a break from the more formal parts of the programme.

A welcome party and conference dinner will be the main social functions. In addition one afternoon will be set aside for local sightseeing and other activities.