Local information

Venue
The conference will be held at the UQ St Lucia Campus. The campus is only seven kilometres from Brisbane’s city centre. Situated on 114 hectares of Brisbane River-bound land, St.Lucia campus is a vibrant mix of majestic sandstone buildings and contemporary architecture, landscaped gardens and lakes.

Internet Access
Eduroam is available on campus for university students or staff. There is also free public wifi for UQ conference attendees, see UQ Guest wifi.

Public transport and parking
If using the public transport, delegates will be need to obtain a GoCard upon arrival in Brisbane for travel on all local buses, ferries and trains (not valid on AirTrain). Please visit Translink for Timetable and Ticketing information.

By bus
UQ St. Lucia campus is conveniently serviced by more than 10 direct bus routes from the Brisbane CBD and outer suburbs. There are two bus stations in the campus located at Chancellor’s Place and the UQ Lakes.

By ferry
UQ has a City Cat Ferry Terminal at St. Lucia Campus which is located adjacent to the UQ Lakes bus station and Eleanor Schonell Bridge.

By train
The two closest train stations are Toowong and Dutton Park stations.

Toowong Station is 3km from the UQ St. Lucia campus and is on the Ipswich-Rosewood and Springfield lines. From the station it’s a short walk to the Benson Street bus stop, where there are regular buses to St Lucia campus.

Dutton Park station, on the Beenleigh-Ferny Grove line, is a 15-minute walk to the UQ St. Lucia campus via the Eleanor Schonell Bridge.

Parking
There are 6 casual parking zones at St. Lucia Campus. Paid parking applies Monday to Friday, 7am to 9pm. Outside these hours parking is free. Visit Parking at UQ for more information.
**Visa information**

All non-Australian citizens travelling to Australia require a visa. If you have a valid New Zealand passport, you can travel to Australia and you will be issued with a Special Category Visa (SCV) on arrival.

See the Department of Immigration and Border Protection website for details on visitor visa options and visitor visa processing times. In particular, citizens from some eligible countries can apply online for an eVisitor visa or an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA).

**Places to eat**

**On Campus**

There are a range of shops and services available on campus, including two food courts:

- **Phizz Food Court** (Physiological Lecture Theatres)
- **Main Refectory** (Union Building)

and the following selected eateries (food and beverage):

- Pizza Caffe (Schonell Theatre)
- Belltop Café (Colin Clark Building)
- Saint Lucy Caffe e Cucina (UQ Sport Tennis Centre)
- Kenko Sushi (Phizz Food Court & Main Refectory)
- Guzman y Gomez (Phizz Food Court)
- Darwin’s Café (Biological Sciences Library Building)
- Wordsmith’s Cafe (between EzyMart and Learning Innovation Building)
- Lakeside Cafe (Advanced Engineering Building)

**Hawken Village**

A short walk (about 10 minutes) from UQ St Lucia campus is the Hawken Village offering many more dining options. There is also a supermarket there. You will find a range of restaurants offering different cuisines, such as

- Misushi (Japanese)
- Ciao Bello (Italian)
- Kurry Kingdom (Indian)
- Thai At Home (Thai)
- Saigon Yummy (Vietnamese)
- Kai Kai Chicken (Korean)
- Beijing BBQ House (Chinese)
- Shalom St Lucia (Indonesian)
- Salt & Battery (Fish & Chips shop)
Tourism information

Around the City

There is no shortage of major attractions to visit and explore in the heart of Brisbane city. Close by the Sofitel Brisbane Central hotel is the vibrant and multicultural Museum of Brisbane. A short walk away, you can get your adrenaline pumping with a Story Bridge Adventure climb. Across the river from the CBD, South Bank is home to our Cultural Centre with world-class galleries and entertainment.

Museum of Brisbane

Brisbane’s social history and contemporary culture located in beautiful Brisbane City Hall.

Story Bridge Adventure climb

Climb the Story Bridge for a birds’ eye view of Brisbane. Enjoy dining underneath at Howard Smith Wharves.

City Botanic Gardens

Located close to the city centre is Brisbane’s original botanic gardens. Join one of the twice-daily guided tours to explore this living museum of plant collections.

South Bank

Modern art, natural history, performing arts, restaurants and a stunning beach all together at Brisbane’s South Bank. Venture into South Bank’s pristine Parklands, swim at the famous Streets Beach (a picturesque pool with unrivalled city skyline views), relax on South Bank Parklands’ sprawling almost 15 hectares of lawns, indulge yourself at a wide selection of restaurants/cafes/bars, or explore world-class museums and galleries.

Queensland Art Gallery & Gallery of Modern Art

Home to a globally significant collection of contemporary art from Australia, Asia, and the Pacific.

Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC)

The state’s premier performing arts space showcasing the best local, national and international works.
Surrounds

For animal lovers, don’t miss the chance to see the Koala and other native wildlife in the Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary. See wild lorikeet feeding, raptor show, sheep dog show, and feed kangaroos. It’s only 15 minutes from the city.

Visit the world’s largest collection of Australian native rainforest trees and its iconic Tropical Dome at Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens, only 6km from the Brisbane city.

Just an hour from the city, discover Brisbane’s stunning natural surrounds, including the Gold Coast on the south, and the Sunshine Coast on the north.