Message from the General Manager

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Whilst, the 2016 International Conference on Tropical and Temperate Horticulture will be focused on delivering improved productivity and profitability across the globe, it will be particularly important for the large horticultural industry on our doorstep. Several other conferences offer community engagement opportunities that will provide enrichment to local residents. Our region’s ability to provide unique contributions to conference topics coupled with outstanding business events infrastructure are important factors in the decision making process for our clients.

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Professor Rod Drew and Dr Robin Roberts – Co-Conveners ~ International Conference on Tropical and Temperate Horticulture

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2016 World of Science, Colour and Music Convention Wins to Bring a World of Science, Colour and Music to Cairns in 2017. Cairns Convention Centre, in partnership with the AIP World Polymer Congress 2018, is proud to announce that the 2016 World of Science, Colour and Music Convention will be held in Cairns in 2017.

The Cairns Convention Centre has a wealth of precedent across a range of events covering topics such as policing, handicraft, education, rural health, horticulture and science.

In 2017 Cairns will see a range of delegates attending the 54th International Women and Law Enforcement Conference stage their parade of nations as policing, handbells, adsorption, rural health, horticulture and science as well as other topics coupled with outstanding business events infrastructure.

These conventions are expected to bring more than 4,000 delegates to Cairns and demonstrate the great potential of our area and we are delighted to be able to invite international delegates to Cairns.

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Behaviour 2015

A joint meeting of the International Ethological Conference, the Australasian Symposium on the Behaviour of Animal Behaviour, the Australasian New Zealand/Africa Society for the Study of Animal Behaviour, the Australasian Society of Applied Ethology was hosted at the Cairns Convention Centre in August 2015. The meeting brought 800 delegates from 43 countries which was the upper limit expected for the conference. "The overall goal was being together different societies involved in animal behavior to a single meeting and have the most important own backyard and we succeeded in that" said Robert Smee Convener. "Cairns was a fantastic location, It has that great balance of size and venue. It is large enough to offer all the facilities you want, but it’s small and compact enough to just toad easy down the street where you’re sure to meet somebody from the conference. The thing that will stick most in my mind is the general warmth and atmosphere during the conference. "

The thought provoking program was designed for all those working in the field of patients with larynx cancer, not only at presentation, but in the years afterwards as well. It also provided delegates from the USA, Europe, Australia and New Zealand the opportunity to network with colleagues across many disciplines. The conference included pre-conference workshops, satellite meeting and well-supported trade exhibitions.

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A total of 22 meeting rooms
- Great Hall ~ plenary seating for 2,300 delegates
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"There is no hotel in Australia that can offer the facilities we need to run our conference. We had the best location, using a convention centre close to the only hotel that had a swimming pool to host our sessions at the same time, so using the Convention Centre had been voted the World’s Best Convention Centre in 2014 as part of the promotion of our congress. "

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