



SOIL SCIENCE
AUSTRALIA

2026 Soil Science Australia National Conference

1 - 5 NOVEMBER 2026 • PAN PACIFIC HOTEL PERTH

SPONSORSHIP PROSPECTUS

2026 BOORLOO (PERTH)
CONFERENCE

WELCOME TO BOORLOO (PERTH)

Kaya!



Western Australia will host the 2026 Soil Science Australia National Conference on Whadjuk Noongar Boodja in Boorloo (Perth), with the theme “Common Ground: Soils for the Anthropocene”.

The conference will be held 1-5 November at Pan Pacific Perth, following the highly anticipated National Soil Judging Competition, 29-31 October.

Delegates will be treated to the magnificent wildflower season of Kambarang in the South-West of Western Australia, featuring the striking yellow flowers of the Moodjar (Australian Christmas Tree) and still, balmy sunsets over the warm Indian Ocean.

The Anthropocene is a proposed geological epoch defined by the emerging widespread impact of human activities on the planet’s resources, ecosystems and climate. The theme “Common Ground” embraces the multidisciplinary nature of the soils sector and seeks to leverage the breadth of skills, perspectives and experiences necessary for the responsible management of “Soils for the Anthropocene”. To meet this challenge, this conference will serve as a platform for a diversity of voices across science, policy, industry and community to explore our understanding of soils as the foundation of productivity, security, community and resilience.

Your organisation can get involved by participating as a sponsor or exhibitor, especially as a stakeholder within the following working themes:

Boodja Katitjin: soil stewardship and storytelling

- First Nations knowledge and connection to country
- Soils in society: anthropology, art, education and identity
- Soils in urban systems, citizen science and gardening at home

Soil security and resilience

- Water use efficiency, repellence, flooding and drought in soil systems
- Soil contamination: microplastics, pharmaceuticals, PFAS, AMR and others
- Mitigating climate risk: planetary boundaries, climate unpredictability and on-farm resilience

Soil constraints, amendments and engineering

- Soil constraints: acidity, sodicity, salinity, and compaction.
- Soil amendments: clay, lime, gypsum, soil wetters and other amendments
- Soil engineering: deep ripping, spading and other amelioration strategies

Soils-first agronomy and land management

- Enhancing productivity: mineral fertilisers, biofertilizers and microbial inoculants
- Innovations in agronomy, farming systems and precision agriculture
- Soil rehabilitation in eroded, marginal and post-mining landscapes

Soil health, conservation and sustainability

- Soil health, biodiversity and ecosystem services
- Natural capital, carbon projects and regenerative agriculture
- Waste-to-resource: biochar, compost, manure and less-linear economies

Soil organic matter and nutrient dynamics

- Understanding soil function, microbial processes and plant-soil interactions
- Optimising nutrient management: nutrient use efficiency, leaching and losses
- Soil organic matter, carbon and energy dynamics

Technology, data processing, and artificial intelligence

- Modelling, mapping, monitoring, and sensing
- Hardware, software and decision support tools
- Artificial intelligence, big data and future technologies

Soil description, classification and national inventories

- Soil morphological characteristics and field survey methods
- Soil taxonomy: national and international classification
- Soil databases, national inventories and data standards

Policy, planning and governance for soils

- Soils extension, training and certification for national soil literacy
- ESG frameworks, market incentives, and other soil investments
- Local and national governance, planning and policy for soils

If you would like to contribute or receive more information towards the support and sponsorship of the 2026 Soil Science Australia Conference, please do not hesitate to reach out to our team.

We look forward to seeing you all in the beautiful south-west.

George Mercer
2026 Conference Chair and WA Branch President,
Soil Science Australia



ABOUT THE CONFERENCE



A VALUABLE ASSET

Soils are one of our most valuable resources in Australia, supporting our food, fibre and water supplies. Soil underpins our agricultural production, directly contributing approximately \$63 billion AUD per year to Australia's economy.

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The 2026 Soil Science Australia Conference brings soil scientists, industry, researchers, practitioners and government together to further research, innovation and understanding of soils. It is Australia's leading conference for presenting advances in soil science and attracts experts from across the country and overseas.

SOIL JUDGING COMPETITION

In the lead-up to the conference, the 12th Australian Soil Judging Competition will attract emerging soil scientists from across Australia, New Zealand and Asia/Pacific neighbours.

ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Executive Committee

Chair	George Mercer
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Federal CEO	Michael Walker
Federal Office	Kathryn Coyne
Federal Communications	Alex Bagnara

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Soil Judging Committee Chair	Henry Smolinski
Field Trip Committee Chair	Tim Overheu (interim)
Scientific Committee Chair	Noel Schoknecht
Communications Committee Chair	Alex Bagnara
Early Career Committee Chair	Maria Pfeifle

Conference Committee

Isaac Kelder
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Bec Swift



VISITING BOORLOO (PERTH)

The 2026 Soil Science Australia Conference will be hosted in Perth, a city known for its natural landscapes and well-designed event infrastructure. Delegates are encouraged to explore key highlights such as the expansive Kings Park and the waterfront precinct of Elizabeth Quay. Nearby cultural attractions, including the Art Gallery of Western Australia and the Perth Cultural Centre, offer valuable insight into the region's artistic and cultural heritage.

Just outside the city, the white-sand beaches of Cottesloe and Scarborough provide excellent photo opportunities and reliable swimming conditions. Further afield, Rottnest Island offers the chance to see native quokkas and enjoy clear bays and a relaxed, car-free environment.

To the east is Western Australia's oldest wine region- the Swan Valley. This area features boutique wineries, quality local produce, and accessible walking trails. Other regional highlights such as Margaret River, known for its surf and wine, and the Pinnacles Desert in Nambung National Park, with its distinctive limestone formations, are also worth considering.

Perth has a Mediterranean climate. In November, conditions are typically warm, dry, and sunny, with average daytime temperatures around 25 - 30°C and comfortable nights of 15 - 18°C.

We look forward to welcoming you to Perth in 2026.

CONTACTS

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PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Partner Category	Amount (inc GST)
Platinum Partner	\$35,000
Gold Partner - Gala Dinner Sponsor	\$25,000
Gold Partner - Conference App Sponsor	\$25,000
Silver Partner - Coffee Stations Sponsor	\$15,000
Silver Partner - Welcome Reception Sponsor	\$15,000
Bronze Partner - Plenary Session Sponsor	\$10,000
Bronze Partner - Field Trip Sponsor	\$10,000
Conference Sponsor	\$5,000
Charging Station Sponsor	\$3,500
Note Pad and Pen Sponsor	\$1,000
Day Catering Sponsor	\$1,500
Session Sponsor	\$1,000
Exhibition Stand	\$3,500



Conference delegates represent leading experts from across the world, government, universities, students, researchers, contractors, suppliers and consultants

PLATINUM PARTNER

\$35,000 inc GST

Three Opportunities

BENEFITS

- One 3m x 2m exhibition booth in a prime location, including:
 - White panel shell scheme booth
 - Fascia board with company name
 - Furniture package (curved counter, stool, brochure stand, lockable cabinet)
 - 2x spotlights
 - 1 x 4-amp power outlet
- Acknowledgment as Platinum Partner on all Conference materials including print, PDFs and broadcast emails
- Logo, hyperlink and company bio on the Conference website and app
- Daily verbal acknowledgment as Platinum partner
- Four (4) PDF brochures/flyers available for download from the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo on the Partner page of the Conference app
- Two (2) pull up banners displayed in the catering area during the Conference (Partner to supply)
- Three (3) app push notifications throughout the Conference - One (1) per day
- Access to lead management software
- Opt-in delegate list including first name, last name, organisation, state and email address
- Organisation logo displayed in opening multimedia presentation and holding slides
- One (1) company brochure or flyer inserted in all delegate satchels (Partner to provide insert). Inserts are subject to Organising Committee approval.
- Social media recognition

ADDITIONAL PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS

- Logo printed on each delegate's name badge and satchel
- 3 Full registrations including social functions + additional full registrations purchased for \$650 tickets to social functions can be purchased separately



GOLD PARTNER | GALA DINNER

\$25,000 inc GST

One Opportunity

BENEFITS

- One 3m x 2m exhibition booth in a prime location, including:
 - White panel shell scheme booth
 - Fascia board with company name
 - Furniture package (curved counter, stool, brochure stand, lockable cabinet)
 - 2x spotlights
 - 1 x 4-amp power outlet
- Acknowledgment as Gold Partner on all Conference materials including print, PDFs & broadcast emails
- Logo, hyperlink and company bio on the Conference website and app
- Daily verbal acknowledgement as Gold Partner
- Two (2) PDF brochures/flyers available for download from the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo on the Partners page of the Conference app
- Two (2) pull up banners displayed in the catering area during the Conference (Partner to supply)
- Two (2) app push notifications throughout the Conference
- Access to lead management software
- Opt-in delegate list including first name, last name, organisation, state and email address
- Organisation logo displayed in opening multimedia presentation and holding slides
- One (1) company brochure or flyer inserted in all delegate satchels (Partner to provide insert)
Inserts are subject to Organising Committee approval
- 2 Full registrations including social functions + additional full registrations purchased for \$650
tickets to social functions can be purchased separately
- Social media recognition

ADDITIONAL GOLD SPONSOR BENEFITS | GALA DINNER PARTNER

- Naming rights to the Gala dinner
- Two additional tickets to the Gala dinner
- Opportunity for an organisation representative to make a short speech dinner
- Pull up banner displayed at the dinner venue
- Organisation logo on the dinner menus

GOLD PARTNER | APP SPONSOR

\$25,000 inc GST

One Opportunity

BENEFITS

- One 3m x 2m exhibition booth in a prime location, including:
 - White panel shell scheme booth
 - Fascia board with company name
 - Furniture package (curved counter, stool, brochure stand, lockable cabinet)
 - 2x spotlights
 - 1 x 4-amp power outlet
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- Daily verbal acknowledgement as Gold Partner
- Two (2) PDF brochures/flyers available for download from the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo on the Partners page of the Conference app
- Two (2) pull up banners displayed in the catering area during the Conference (Partner to supply)
- Two (2) app push notifications throughout the Conference
- Access to lead management software
- Opt-in delegate list including first name, last name, organisation, state and email address
- Organisation logo displayed in opening multimedia presentation and holding slides
- One (1) company brochure or flyer inserted in all delegate satchels (Partner to provide insert)
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- 2 Full registrations including social functions + additional full registrations purchased for \$650
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ADDITIONAL GOLD SPONSOR BENEFITS | APP PARTNER

- Three (3) x push notifications in the app - 1 each day
- Two (2) x promotional videos included in the app
- Logo displayed as a 'splash image' on the app welcome screen

SILVER PARTNER | COFFEE CART

\$15,000 inc GST

One Opportunity

BENEFITS

- One 3m x 2m exhibition booth in a prime location, including:
 - White panel shell scheme booth
 - Fascia board with company name
 - Coffee Cart with One (1) Barista (Additional baristas can be provided at cost)
 - Company Branded Panel on the front of the Coffee Cart
 - Unlimited cups per day
 - Two (2) pull up banners (max width 1m) at Coffee Cart station (Partner to supply)
- Logo and acknowledgement as Silver Partner on all Conference materials including print, PDF's and broadcast emails
- Logo and hyperlink on the Conference website and app
- One (1) PDF brochure available for download from the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo in the Conference e-newsletter
- Organisation logo on the Partner page of the Conference app
- Social media recognition
- Access to lead management software
- Opt-in delegate list including first name, last name, organisation, state and email address
- Organisation logo displayed in opening multimedia presentation and holding slides
- One (1) company brochure or flyer inserted in all delegate satchels (Partner to provide insert). Inserts are subject to Organising Committee approval

ADDITIONAL SILVER SPONSOR BENEFITS | COFFEE CART

- 1 Full registration including social functions + additional full registrations purchased for \$650 tickets to social functions can be purchased separately
- Additional opportunities for brand recognition by providing branded coffee cups, napkins etc



SILVER PARTNER WELCOME RECEPTION

\$15,000 inc GST

One Opportunity

BENEFITS

- One 3m x 2m exhibition booth in a prime location, including:
 - White panel shell scheme booth
 - Fascia board with company name
 - Furniture package (curved counter, stool, brochure stand, lockable cabinet)
 - 2x spotlights
 - 1 x 4-amp power outlet
- Logo and acknowledgement as Silver Partner on all Conference materials including print, PDF's and broadcast emails
- Logo and hyperlink on the Conference website and app
- One (1) PDF brochure available for download from the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo in the Conference e-newsletter
- Organisation logo on the Partner page of the Conference app
- Social media recognition
- Access to lead management software
- Opt-in delegate list including first name, last name, organisation, state and email address
- Organisation logo displayed in opening multimedia presentation and holding slides
- One (1) company brochure or flyer inserted in all delegate satchels (Partner to provide insert). Inserts are subject to Organising Committee approval

ADDITIONAL SILVER SPONSOR BENEFITS | WELCOME RECEPTION

- Naming rights to the Welcome Function
- Opportunity for an organisation representative to welcome delegates to reception
- Pull up banner located at Welcome Function (Partner to supply)

BRONZE PARTNER | PLENARY SESSION

\$10,000 inc GST

Multiple Opportunities

BENEFITS

- One 3m x 2m exhibition booth in a prime location, including:
 - White panel shell scheme booth
 - Fascia board with company name
 - Furniture package (curved counter, stool, brochure stand, lockable cabinet)
 - 2x spotlights
 - 1 x 4-amp power outlet
- Logo and acknowledgment as Bronze Partner on all Conference materials including print, PDF's and broadcast emails
- Logo and hyperlink on the Conference website and app
- One (1) PDF brochure available for download from the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo on the Partner page of the Conference app
- Social media recognition
- Access to lead management software
- Opt-in delegate list including first name, last name, organisation, state and email address
- 1 Full registration including social functions + additional full registrations purchased for \$650 tickets to social functions can be purchased separately

ADDITIONAL BRONZE SPONSOR BENEFITS | PLENARY SESSION

- Opportunity for organisation representative to introduce speaker
- Organisation logo on the sponsored session introductory slides
- Pull up banner displayed during sponsored sessions (Partner to supply)

BRONZE PARTNER | FIELD TRIP

\$10,000 inc GST

Three Opportunities

BENEFITS

- One 3m x 2m exhibition booth in a prime location, including:
 - White panel shell scheme booth
 - Fascia board with company name
 - Furniture package (curved counter, stool, brochure stand, lockable cabinet)
 - 2x spotlights
 - 1 x 4-amp power outlet
- Logo and acknowledgment as Bronze Partner on all Conference materials including print, PDF's and broadcast emails
- Logo and hyperlink on the Conference website and app
- One (1) PDF brochure available for download from the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo on the Partner page of the Conference app
- Social media recognition
- Access to lead management software
- Opt-in delegate list including first name, last name, organisation, state and email address
- 1 Full registration including social functions + additional full registrations purchased for \$650 tickets to social functions can be purchased separately

ADDITIONAL BRONZE SPONSOR BENEFITS | GALA DINNER PARTNER

- 2 field trip registrations
- Organisation logo on the field trip handout cover page
- Organisation logo on the inside window of the field trip bus

CONFERENCE SPONSOR

\$5,000 inc GST

Multiple Opportunities

BENEFITS

- Logo and acknowledgment as a Conference Sponsor on all Conference materials including print, PDF's and broadcast emails
- Logo and hyperlink on the Conference website and app
- One (1) PDF brochure available for download from the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo on the Partner page of the Conference app
- Social media recognition
- Opt-in delegate list including first name, last name, organisation, state and email address
- Full registrations purchased for \$650 and social function tickets purchased separately

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Available for single purchase
or add-ons to existing packages

all prices include GST

CATERING BREAK \$3,500 (MORNING/AFTERNOON TEA) \$5,000 (LUNCH)

- Pull up banner located next to the catering stations during all breaks, on chosen day
- Organisation listing on the Conference website and app
- Logo displayed in opening presentation and holding slides
- Full registrations purchased for \$650 and social function tickets purchased separately

CHARGING STATION SPONSOR \$3,850

- Organisation branding on the mobile charging station located next to the registration desk (Partner to provide)
- Organisation listing on the Conference website and app
- Organisation listing in the Conference e-newsletter and email marketing
- Organisation listing in opening multimedia presentation and holding slides
- Full registrations purchased for \$650 and social function tickets purchased separately

NOTEPAD AND PEN SPONSOR \$1,100 (PLUS PRODUCTS)

- Organisation logo (one colour) printed on the pad/pen (product to be supplied by sponsor)
 - Organisation listing on the Conference website and app
 - Organisation listing in the Conference e-newsletter and email marketing
 - Organisation listing in opening multimedia presentation and holding slides
 - Full registrations purchased for \$650 and social function tickets purchased separately
- **Please note: The pads and pens are supplied and paid for by the Partner following approval by the Organising Committee of the quantity, material and style.*

SESSION SPONSOR \$1,100

- Organisation logo on the Conference website and app
- Organisation logo displayed in opening multimedia presentation and holding slides
- Opportunity to display a pull-up banner during sponsored session
- Logo printed in the pocket program and in the app next to the sponsored session
- Full registrations purchased for \$650 and social function tickets purchased separately

EXHIBITION STAND

\$3,500 inc GST

BENEFITS

- One 3m x 2m exhibition booth in a prime location, including:
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2026 EXHIBITION FLOOR PLAN

Please visit the following link to book and view the live floorplan
conference.soilscienceaustralia.org.au/



ABOUT SOIL SCIENCE AUSTRALIA



Soil Science Australia is a not-for-profit, professional association for soil scientists and people interested in the responsible management of Australia's soil resources. Soil Science Australia supports soil scientists and promotes the importance of soil as a finite resource.

Some members are students, some are at the start of their careers while others are highly regarded experts in Australia and internationally.

We have seven branches and are governed by an elected Federal Council. Each branch has its own committee responsible for organising local educational, professional development and networking events.

Soil Science Australia is a member of the International Union of Soil Sciences (IUSS) and contributes to the National Committee on Soil and Terrain (NCST).

OUR BRANCHES

- New South Wales
- Queensland
- Riverina
- South Australia
- Tasmania
- Victoria
- Western Australia

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7 BRANCHES
850+ MEMBERS

SPONSORSHIP BOOKING FORM

SSA ABN: 96 080 783 106

**We wish to participate in the
2026 Soil Science Australia Conference**



Contact Name

Position

Organisation

Postal Address

..... State Postcode

Telephone Mobile

Email

Company web address:
(for listing on conference website)

I/WE WISH TO SPONSOR THE FOLLOWING:

Sponsorship Package:..... Amount \$

I/We agree to the sponsorship terms and conditions (refer to terms on page 19)

.....
Signed Date

PAYMENT DETAILS

Please issue an invoice

I have transacted an Electronic Funds Transfer to the SSA Conference Account

Name of Account: SSA Conference Account

Bank: WBC

Branch: Tuggeranong BSB No: 03263 Account No: 373466

Your Receipt No:.....

Please charge my credit card

Mastercard

Visa

Card number

Exp Date

.....
Card holders name

.....
Signature

COMPLETE AND RETURN TO:

Conference Co-ordinators

Email: ssa@confco.com.au

Phone: 02 6292 9000

EXHIBITION BOOKING FORM

SSA ABN: 96 080 783 106

**We wish to exhibit in the
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Contact Name

Position

Organisation

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..... State Postcode

Telephone Mobile

Email

Company web address:
(for listing on conference website)

Please indicate your choice of stand number(s) in order of preference (refer to floorplan):

1st Preference 2nd Preference 3rd Preference Amount \$

- I/We understand that booths will be allocated in order of receipt of booking form and payment.
- I/We agree to the terms and conditions (refer to terms on page 19)
- I/We note that additional furniture, lighting and power is an additional expense

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Signed

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Date

PAYMENT DETAILS

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- I have transacted an Electronic Funds Transfer to the SSA Conference Account
Name of Account: SSA Conference Account Bank: WBC
Branch: Tuggeranong BSB No: 03263 Account No: 373466 Your Receipt No:

- Please charge my credit card Mastercard Visa

Card number

Exp Date

.....
Card holders name

.....
Signature

CANCELLATION POLICY

EXHIBITION CONDITIONS

Acceptance of booth booking required by completion of the Exhibition Booking Form.

Payment for trade booths is required before any entitlements can be delivered (special arrangements can be made).

All fees are in Australian dollars and include GST.

Exhibition booths will be allocated in order of receipt of booking form and payment.

Notice of cancellation must be submitted in writing to sa@confco.com.au and will be acknowledged by e-mail.

Cancellation fees:

25% cancellation fee will apply for cancellations received prior to 26 June 2026

50% cancellation fee will apply for cancellations received prior to 7 August 2026

75% cancellation fee will apply for cancellations received prior to 25 September 2026

Cancellations received on or after 26 September will not be refunded.

SPONSORSHIP CONDITIONS

Acceptance of sponsorship required by completion and signing of the Sponsorship Agreement.

Payment for sponsorship is required two weeks prior to the conference commencement date.

All fees are in Australian dollars and include GST.

Notice of cancellation must be submitted in writing to ssa@confco.com.au and will be acknowledged by e-mail.

Cancellation fees are as per the below:

25% cancellation fee will apply for cancellations received prior to 26 June 2026

50% cancellation fee will apply for cancellations received prior to 7 August 2026

75% cancellation fee will apply for cancellations received prior to 25 September 2026

Cancellations received on or after 26 September will not be refunded.

By submitting your booking form you agree to the terms and conditions of the cancellation policy.