PROGRAM

DAY ONE — Tuesday 19 August 2025

17:00 - 19:00	**Registration**
17:30 - 19:00	**Cocktail Welcome Reception** — **Sponsored by:**

DAY TWO — Wednesday 20 August 2025

08:00	Registration & Speaker Support — **Barista Sponsor:**
09:00	MC intro
09:05	Conference welcome - Wayne Dredge, Conference Organising Committee
09:10	Official Conference Opening - Minister Don Farrell, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
09:30 - 10:30	**Plenary Session: Darren Lim, Australian National University** Maximizing economic prosperity in the Indo-Pacific
10:30 - 11:00	**Morning Tea**
11:00 - 12:45	**Session 1 – Global trends**
	Tightening belts and getting transparent – what's it to do with fisheries management? -Kate Brooks, Kal Analysis (20min)
	Adoption of AI in global food systems - Jannat Maqbool, Maqbool Consultancy (20 mins)
	Opportunities and Trends in China's Sustainable Seafood Market - An Yan, Marine Stewardship Council (20min)
	Futures of Seafood - Angela Williamson, Blue Economy CRC (20min)
	Panel Discussion and Q&A - Moderator: Wayne Dredge, Seafood Industry Victoria (25min)
12:45 - 13:45	**Lunch and Exhibition** — **Sponsored by:**
13:45 - 15:30	**Session 2 – Technology and Innovation**
	Proof on the Water: Deckhand Data Securing Fair Offshore-Wind Compensation - Simon Dick, Real Time Data (20min)
	Revolutionising fisheries stock assessments using whole genome sequencing - Adam Miller, Cesar Australia (20min)
	Measuring crustacea in a snapshot - Scott Hadley, University of Tasmania (20min)
	Advances in protein traceability - Rose Elphick-Darling, Aus Ag Traceability Working Group (20min)
	Panel Discussion and Q&A - Moderator: Chris Gillies, Offshore Biotechnology (25min)
15:30 - 15:40	**Quick break and lobster podcast taster**
15:40 - 17:25	**Session 3 – Trade and Marketing** — **Sponsored by: Global Victoria**
	Strengthening China trade relations- Tom Parker, Australia China Business Council (20min)
	Fostering strategic export partnerships, Presenter TBC, Global Victoria (20 mins)
	Export markets and steading the ship - Lee McLean, Australian Grape & Wine (20min)
	The e-commerce evolution in food marketing - Jonathan Cox, Stratforms (15 mins)
	Dragon Tasmania –a case study brand creation - Nathan Maxwell, JSJ Seafood (10 mins)
	Panel Discussion and Q&A - Moderator: Andrew Roberston, Robertson Trading (20min)
17:30 - 18:30	**Afternoon Drinks**

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Thursday 21 August 2025

DAY THREE

07:30	Registration & Speaker Support — **Barista Sponsor:** SARLAC South Australian Rock Lobster Advisory Council Inc
08:00 - 08:10	Day 2 Welcome - Veronica Papacosta, Seafood Industry Australia
08:10 - 09:30	**Session 4 – Fishery Updates** — **Sponsored by:** Victorian Fisheries Authority
	Southern Rock Lobster Fisheries Panel - moderator Tom Cosentino, SRL Ltd (20 mins) - South Australia Southern Zone, Nathan Kimber, SARLA - South Australia Northern Zone (Kyri Toumazos, SANZRLFA) - Tasmania (TBC, TRLC) - Victoria (Matt Wassnig, SIV) Western Rock Lobster - Matt Taylor, WRLC (20min) Eastern Rock Lobster - Scott Westley, Eastern Rock (10min) Tropical Rock Lobster - Brett Arlidge, MG Kailis (10min) New Zealand - Mark Edwards, NZRLIC (20min)
09:30 - 10:30	**Plenary Session: Beth Casoni, Executive Director, Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association** The evolution of lobster fishery management – a US perspective
10:30 - 11:00	**Morning Tea** — **Sponsored by:** Tasmanian Rock Lobster Council Ltd
11:00 - 12:45	**Session 5 – Climate and Environment**
	Seasonal climate forecasts to support decision making in Australian fisheries management, Claire Spillman, Bureau of Meteorology (20min) Urchins, lobsters and shared habitats, John Keane, University of Tasmania (20min) Climate Change and Species Range Shifts: Implications for Tasmania's Rock Lobster Fishery, Samantha Twiname, University of Tasmania (20min) Modelling lobster stock connectivity, Katie Cresswell, University of Tasmania (20min) Panel Discussion and Q&A - Moderator: Ewan Flanagan, Victorian Fisheries Authority (25min)
12:45 - 13:45	**Lunch and Exhibition** — **Sponsored by:** South Australian Northern Zone Rock Lobster Fishermen's Association Inc
13:45 - 15:30	**Session 6 – Resource Stewardship and Emerging Threats** — **Sponsored by:** Western Rock Lobster Council
	Industry leadership, collaboration and capacity: critical ingredients for fisheries policy reform, Russell Barnett, Western Rock lobster Council (15min) West Australian Campaign 2025 – Resource Access Security, Chauncey Hammond, 3 Sticks (10min) From weeds of the sea to cognitive supremacy: tackling the changing face of animal welfare for commercially exploited cephalopods and what this could mean for other marine invertebrates, Zoe Doubleday, University of SA (20min) Does co-existence occur between offshore wind and pot fisheries? Lachlan McKinnon, Brown & May (20min) Shared Seas, Shared Responsibility: Navigating the Global Challenge of Whale Entanglements in Trap Fisheries, Kristen Hoel, OceanWatch (20min) Panel Discussion and Q&A - Moderator: Tom Consentino, Southern Rocklobster Limited (20min)
15:30 - 15:40	**Quick break and lobster podcast taster**
15:40 - 16:40	**Plenary Session: Danny Fox – Tasmanian lobster fisher and reality TV personality** Building a community of supporters
16:40 - 16:45	Conference closing - Matt Wassnig, Seafood Industry Victoria
18:30 - 23:00	**Gala Dinner - Hosted by Lehmo, Entertainment by The Robbie Harts**