

22 August 2024

Multi-Agency Flood Rescue Symposium Sydney, Australia | November 8-10, 2024

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Following the success of last year's Symposium, we are pleased to invite your agency/organisation to participate in this year's event, which will focus on the theme: *"Responding to the Deluge: Extreme Flood Rescue Operations."* The Symposium will culminate in a live field exercise simulating a mass flooding event on the final day, to continue "Maintaining existing inter-agency flood rescue capability."

Emergency service organisations are invited to nominate **2-3 representatives to attend** (positions are limited) with appropriate qualifications or experience across the three Symposium streams:

- Flood Rescue Coordinators, Incident Controllers/Commanders, and/or Strategic Leadership
- Senior In-Water Flood Rescue Operators/Technicians
- Senior On-Water Flood Rescue Operators/Technicians

Symposium Details:

Dates: November 8th-10th, 2024 **Location:** Penrith, Sydney, Australia

Day 1: Conference | Presentations/Workshops Friday, 1000 – 1800 at Western Sydney Conference Centre, Penrith

Day 2: Technical Flood Rescue | Trainer/Assessor Development Saturday, 0800 – 1700 at the Flood Rescue Training Facility, Penrith

Day 3: Mass Flooding Event - Live Field Exercise Sunday, 0800 – 1400 at the Flood Rescue Training Facility, Penrith

Participants will have the opportunity to inspect the new SES flood rescue fleet and equipment, including the Mobile Incident Command Centre (MICC), High Clearance Vehicles (HCVs), and Flood boats.



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Topics Include:

Flood Rescue Training & Development, Rescue Techniques including with multiple victims, Inter-agency Flood Operations, Rescue Management, Facility Operations and Research & Development.

A key objective of the event is to support inter-agency cohesion and to provide a skills maintenance and professional development opportunity to assist agencies in maintaining recent capability expansion.

Attendees:

This Symposium is tailored for Flood Rescue Trainers/Facilitators/Senior Operators, Flood Rescue Training Facility Managers, Flood Rescue Management Coordinators, and Senior Flood Rescue Agency Leaders/Managers from Australian and international emergency service agencies/organisations.

Presentations Proposals:

If your agency has insights or experiences from recent flooding events or related capabilities that could benefit others, we encourage you to submit a presentation proposal.

Presentation submissions are due by September 20th, 2024. If you are interested in presenting, please notify the planning team at <u>frsymposium@ses.nsw.gov.au</u>.

We will provide accommodation for those selected to present on the evening of the conference day.

Costs:

There is no Symposium fee for your attendance. NSW SES will cover relevant costs, including conference and training facility fees, and meals during the symposium activity times. Home agencies are responsible for all other travel, meals and accommodation expenses of their personnel.

Suggested Accommodation:

- Pullman Sydney Penrith <u>Link to Pullman Penrith</u> (Situated at the symposium conference site. Also, the pickup location of all symposium bus transfers).
- Mercure Penrith <u>Link to Mercure Penrith</u> (Located 200m from the symposium site and the transfer bus stop).

For advice and support with travel planning, don't hesitate to contact the FR Symposium organising team via email: <u>frsymposium@ses.nsw.gov.au</u>.



How to Register:

Please use the following link <u>Participant Registration - Multi-Agency</u> <u>Flood Rescue Symposium 2024 (eventsair.com) or</u> scan the QR code to register your delegates.

We will work with agencies/organisations to prioritise their nominations once registrations close on September 20th, 2024.

Successful applicants will be notified by October 4th, 2024.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the FR Symposium organisers via email: <u>frsymposium@ses.nsw.gov.au</u>.



Warm regards

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