

“A Global Dialogue on Lakes, Rivers and communities - And a Local Perspective from Australian Waterscapes in a Changing World”



Jul. 21

1:00 pm – 4:45 pm AEST (UTC+10)

Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre Plaza 6 & 7

Objectives:

- Explore pressing water challenges from both global and local perspectives.
- Discuss the impacts of climate change on lakes and water systems.
- Share knowledge and practice using the Source to Sea (S2S) approach.
- Highlight community engagement and traditional knowledge in water governance.
- Connect global initiatives to local actions through inclusive dialogue.



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Part 1 | Opening Keynote | ⌚ 1:00 pm – 1:50 pm

– Global & Local Perspectives

–1:10	Opening Remarks	Welcome	Mr. Yasuo Takahashi (Vice President, ILEC) Dr. David Hamilton (Professor, Griffith University)
–1:30	Opening Keynote – Global Perspective	Global climate change impacts on lakes	Prof. Kenji Tanaka (Kyoto Univ. Disaster Prevention Research Institute)
–1:50	Opening Keynote – Local Perspective	Climate-related water stress in Brisbane River and its dams (TBD)	

Part 2 | Panel Discussion | ⌚ 1:50 pm – 4:10 pm

– Theme: "From Source to Sea: Linking Global and Local Water Challenges"

Panelist1	Source-to-Sea Approach: Linking Lakes, Rivers, and Coasts – The Case of the Lerma–Chapala–Santiago Basin	Mr. Alejandro Juarez Aguilar (Executive Director, Institute Corazon de la Tierra)
Panelist 2	Key issues and challenges in the practical integrated river basin management	Mr. Motohiro Hasegawa (International Cooperation Specialist: JICA)
Panelist 3	Biodiversity Challenges in Linked Waterbodies: Insights from Indonesia	Ms. Inge Retnowati (Director, Biodiversity Conservation, Ministry of Environment, Indonesia)
Panelist 4	Japan's Lake Management: Policies and Challenges	Ms. Junko Nishikawa (Director, Office of Environmental Management of Coastal Seas Ministry of the Environment, JAPAN)
Panelist 5	A Local Framework for Sustainable Lake Management from Lake Biwa	Mr. Naoya Yamamoto (Director, Lake Biwa Environmental Conservation and Restoration Division, Shiga Prefectural Government)
Panelist 6	Water Security in the Australian River Basin	Dr. Regina Souter (Professor, Griffith University)
Panelist 7 -2:50	Water stewardship and Traditional Knowledge in Australia	(TBD)



Tea Break (30 minutes)

3:20-4:10	Panel Discussion	All Panelists & ILEC Scientific Committee Members
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Part 3 | Open and Interactive Dialogue | ⌚ 4:10 pm – 4:45 pm

– All Stakeholders' Voices

Facilitated by Dr. Brian S. McIntosh (Associate Professor, International WaterCentre/Australian Rivers Institute)

Interactive Dialogue -4:40	Theme: "What Can We Learn from Australia's Waterways?" Moderated Q&A and group discussion: - Share concerns - Connect local and global experiences - Reflect on experts' presentations	Citizen Private Sector NGOs Youth
Closing Reflections	Summary of key insights and lessons from both global and Australia's perspectives.	Dr. Masahisa Nakamura (ILEC Science Advisor)