



# AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURAL INNOVATION SYSTEMS AT THE **CROSSROADS**

**CONFERENCE:** Hotel Realm, Canberra, 29 & 30 May 2013

The success of Australian agriculture in the past 100 years has largely been due to the combined efforts of Australian farmers, and public-sector agricultural researchers and extension agencies. For the last decade agricultural productivity growth rates have slowed, directly exposing the farming sector to adverse impacts and lessening the chance of embracing the rapid Asian economic growth. While there are a range of factors believed to be contributing to lower agricultural productivity growth, the state of Australian agricultural innovation systems including research and development and extension (R,D&E) is a key area of focus. Despite increased private sector engagement, there is growing concern that a lack of coordination and strategic direction, combined with a reduction in public-

sector funding are key factors in slowing rates of productivity growth, and unless these issues are addressed the stagnation of productivity will persist.

The Australian Farm Institute is convening a national conference to bring together farmers, agribusinesses, agricultural researchers, and public and private sector extension and advisory personnel to discuss this challenge, and to develop an agreed common vision of an effective and efficient future Australian agricultural innovation system that will improve the competitiveness and profitability of Australian agriculture.

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## Australian Farm Institute Conference – Registration Form

Registrations close Monday, 6 May 2013 – Online bookings now available

**NOTE:** Each delegate attending the Conference is required to complete a separate Registration Form

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### Member Registration:

Full Conference Registration (Conference and Dinner): **\$1100 per attendee**

Includes Conference Dinner and Conference attendance – Wednesday, 29 and Thursday, 30 May.

Conference Registration (Conference Only): **\$1023 per attendee**

Wednesday, 29 and Thursday, 30 May (includes lunch) – excludes Conference Dinner.

Conference Dinner Registration (Dinner Only): **\$132 per attendee**

Includes a three-course dinner with beverages (Wednesday, 29 May).

### Non-Member Registration:

Full Conference Registration (Conference and Dinner): **\$1210 per attendee**

Conference Registration (Conference Only): **\$1111 per attendee**

Conference Dinner Registration (Dinner Only): **\$154 per attendee**

\* All prices are GST inclusive.

### Venue and Accommodation:

**Hotel Realm**, 18 National Circuit, Barton ACT 2600

We have negotiated a special conference rate for delegates at the Hotel Realm of \$255 (room only). For reservations please contact the hotel directly, by phoning (02) 6163 1888 or email [reservations@hotelrealm.com.au](mailto:reservations@hotelrealm.com.au), quoting the reservation code '2905FA'.

### Payment Options (please select one of the following):

Online, go to [www.farminstitute.org.au](http://www.farminstitute.org.au) to register

I have transferred the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Please use full name or invoice number (if applicable) as reference**  
by EFT to: BSB: 032 002, Account number: 41 2830, Account Name: Australian Farm Institute Limited, Bank: Westpac – Royal Exchange branch

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If cancellation of your Conference Registration is necessary, please contact [info@farminstitute.org.au](mailto:info@farminstitute.org.au) or phone **02 9690 1388**. Cancellations on or before Monday, 6 May 2013 will be charged a penalty of 50% of the Registration Fee. There will be no refunds for cancellations received after Monday, 6 May 2013 or for delegates who do not attend the Conference; however, Conference Registration is transferable at any time without penalty.