

66TH APPITA ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

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PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

CLOSING DATE FOR OFFERS: 4 NOVEMBER 2011



CALL FOR PAPERS

THE 66TH APPITA ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION SHOWCASING THE LATEST INNOVATIONS, TECHNOLOGIES AND TECHNIQUES IN PULP AND PAPER MANUFACTURING AND CONVERTING PROCESSES IS TO BE HELD ON APRIL 15 - 18 IN MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA. THE 2012 EVENT THEMED "PEOPLE, PRODUCTIVITY, PROFITS" WILL EXPLORE NEW OPPORTUNITIES AND TECHNIQUES TO DRIVE PERFORMANCE, PRODUCTIVITY AND PROFITS IN A NEW ENERGY ECONOMY.

RESOURCES-PULP-PAPER-PRINT-PACKAGING SESSIONS

Offers of papers are sought on any subject of relevance to forestry, pulp, paper, print and packaging. Papers that explore opportunities and techniques to improve efficiencies, productivity, profitability, quality, product performance and sustainability would be particularly welcomed.

Two streams of oral presentation slots will be available, and we invite you to submit an extended abstract on the following relevant topics including, but not limited to:

- forestry and wood products
- resource assessment and management
- paper and board manufacturing
 - efficiency and process improvement
 - safety
 - lean manufacturing
- pulping and bleaching
- engineering
- energy and water management
- print, packaging and converting
- sustainability
- bioresources, bioenergy and co generation

AWARDS

Jasper Mardon Memorial Prize

The Jasper Mardon Memorial Prize is awarded for the Conference paper which, in the opinion of the judging panel, has the greatest contribution to the science and technology of papermaking. All papers covering research, operations, troubleshooting and reviews of papermaking, from the thick stock system to finishing, are eligible. The Prize is judged on the manuscript published in the Conference Proceedings, and plaques are awarded to all authors of the prize-winning paper, at the Conference Gala Awards Dinner.

Best Mill Paper

The Best Mill Paper Prize is sponsored by the Appita Sustaining Members and Suppliers Group, and is awarded to the best paper presented at the Conference, by a person working in a pulp and/or paper mill. It is based on technical content, quality of oral presentation, and audience interest. Valued at AUD 2,000, the prize is to be used for professional development.

METHODS

1. PEER REVIEW

Appita is offering authors an opportunity for their papers to be peer reviewed prior to the Conference. Peer review is only available to papers for oral presentation. It is strongly recommended that authors seeking peer review read the requirements on Page 4 carefully, and it is suggested that peer review only be sought if you intend to use the paper as evidence in support of government funding for research. In particular, if you seek peer review, we must receive the full manuscript of the paper by the closing date for offers (4 November 2011). It is not sufficient to request peer review on the Offer Form and only send an abstract. You must allow for time for your paper to be reviewed, and if necessary, revised before the Proceedings are printed. Authors will have only one opportunity for a minor revision, before acceptance or rejection. A rejected paper is not excluded from being presented. If your paper is rejected by the peer review committee, you may still be invited to present it at the Conference. In such a case, it will be published in the Conference Proceedings but will not be annotated 'Peer Reviewed'.

2. MILL PAPERS

Appita is again offering mill personnel the opportunity to submit an oral presentation for inclusion in the technical program without providing a full manuscript. Requirements for submissions of Mill Papers for oral presentation are as follows:

- A 300 to 600 word abstract outlining the content of the proposed presentation must accompany any offer.
- Abstracts must be submitted before the 4 November 2011.
- The outline must state clearly and in some detail what the presentation will contain, including a summary of the results and conclusions of the work described.
- Power point presentations must be formatted according to the Appita presentation guidelines. We ask that you bring your presentation on USB drive, or CD/DVD to the conference.

Mill papers will automatically be assessed for consideration for the Best Presented Mill Paper Prize.

3. POSTERS

Poster presentations are invited. Posters will be available for viewing throughout the Conference and authors are encouraged to be in attendance to discuss their work during breaks in the technical sessions. Please indicate on the Offer Form if you are offering an oral or a poster presentation. Oral and poster presentations will be published in the Proceedings. If you offer an oral presentation and it is not accepted you may be given the opportunity to present it as a poster.

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

THE PROGRAM WILL FEATURE:

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

Offered papers across three days, covering all aspects of the industry through the supply chain from resources through to print and packaging. The program is organised and peer reviewed by the Appita Technical Committee.

CLEAN ENERGY SUMMIT

The Clean Energy Summit will explore the potential impact of the carbon tax on our industry and what steps are required to move to less carbon intensive and more cost effective fuel and energy efficient systems. You will hear from leading experts and key industry stakeholders about some of the work that is already underway to drive more energy efficient and sustainable process and production solutions.

PEOPLE, PRODUCTIVITY, PROFITS SUMMIT

Hosted by the Appita International Business Committee, the one day Summit will explore innovative ways people have worked together to improve business performance through improved productivity, profits and other bottom line results.

SAFETY FORUM

The importance of health and safety in the pulp and paper industry cannot be underestimated. Failure to manage H&S risks can lead to significant adverse outcomes. Presentations and case studies in this forum will address key H&S issues facing our industry and showcase success stories in managing H&S in the pulp and paper industry. With increasing levels of H&S involvement required at all levels of business, this forum is designed to give operational and technical leaders practical and insightful ideas into H&S management.

PROCUREMENT FORUM

The Procurement Forum provides procurement contract managers, consultants and suppliers from the pulp and paper industry an opportunity to discuss a wide range of issues. You will hear from a range of experts on topics across the supply chain.

PRINT/PACKAGING SEMINAR

Building on the success of the 2011 Packaging Seminar held at the 2011 Appita Conference in Rotorua. Appita is again offering paper, print and packaging specialists an opportunity to discuss the critical issues for improving performance and productivity.

MILL MANAGERS FORUM (INVITATION ONLY)

Opportunity for Mill Managers to meet and address critical management issues in today's mill environment, where best practice should be adopted industry wide.

INDUSTRY INNOVATIONS

Industry Innovation will showcase the latest updates in industry technology, with high quality presentations from supplier companies, many of them Exhibitors at the Conference. Sessions will be held in the exhibition area and will be scheduled for all to attend. Industry Innovation presentations can be commercial or technical, at the discretion of the presenting company.

PRESENTATIONS

For oral presentations, authors will be allotted a total time of thirty minutes: twenty minutes for presentation and ten minutes for discussion. Appita reserves the right to vary the time allocated to any paper on the basis of information provided by the author.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

All technical papers and poster papers presented at the Conference will be included in the Conference Proceedings. Proceedings will be published in hardcopy and in either CD or USB format, and will be available to all Conference delegates. Appita Industry Innovations presentations are not included in the Conference Proceedings.

EXHIBITION & SPONSORSHIP

A comprehensive Exhibition will be held in conjunction with the Conference. Sponsorship opportunities for a number of Conference activities and features are also available. Enquiries regarding the Exhibition and Sponsorship should be addressed to:

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REGISTRATION FEES

Normal registration fees are payable by authors and speakers. Registration forms will be sent to all authors with their acknowledgement of acceptance of the paper. The completed registration form and payment must be received by 10 February 2012 the due date for the manuscripts. Failure to register for the Conference by this date may preclude publication of your paper in the Proceedings.

LOCATION

The Conference and Exhibition will be held at Melbourne Park, which is a fifteen minute walk from the CBD, and five to ten minutes from a range of suitable accommodation venues, from three to five star hotels, self-catering and budget properties. The Function Centre has excellent parking facilities.

Melbourne has a busy international airport and is easily accessible by air from many overseas ports. It has a very good public transport infrastructure and trams run regularly to Melbourne Park.

TIMETABLE

Closing date for offers.....	4 November 2011
Peer review full manuscripts due.....	4 November 2011
Mill papers – abstracts due.....	4 November 2011
Mailing of advice concerning acceptance.....	9 December 2011
Initial Peer review completed (if applicable).....	30 January 2012
Full manuscripts and *registration payment....	17 February 2012
Manuscripts received after this date may not be published in the Conference Proceedings!	
Conference.....	15 - 18 April 2012

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

1. Please complete the Offer Form and forward it by mail, fax or email to:
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2. To be considered, Offers must be received at the above address by 4 November 2011. Offers received after this time will be included only if there is room in the final Conference program.
3. A 300 to 600 word outline of the proposed paper or mill presentation must accompany the Offer. The outline must state clearly and in some detail what the paper will contain, including a summary of the results and conclusions of the work described. The outline will be the basis for assessment for selection in the Conference program.
4. Mill presentations must be formatted according to Appita's presentation guidelines. Submission of the full manuscript is not required. Mill presentations are to be uploaded at the Conference the day prior to the scheduled presentation.
5. Authors are offered an opportunity for peer review of their paper. To enable adequate review, the full manuscript of the paper must be received by 4 November 2011, not just the outline. Manuscripts for peer review received after this date will be reviewed only at the discretion of the Technical Committee. Please refer to the timetable on the previous page. Criteria for peer review are:
 - the work should be sound and technically correct
 - the work should be significantly new and significant to warrant presentation
 - the abstract and title must be clear, informative and descriptive of the content
 - the data should be clear and concisely presented
 - the experimental data should be valid and consistent with experimental objectives
 - the discussion should be relevant
 - the interpretations of the data should be sound
 - the experimental evidence should validate the conclusions
 - correct format in accordance with the guidelines is a requirement for all papers, prior to publication in the Conference Proceedings
6. Each offer of a paper will be considered by the Technical Committee. Authors will be notified by 9 December 2011 whether their paper is accepted or not. Authors seeking peer review will be notified at this time that their paper is undergoing review. They will be offered one opportunity only for revision of the manuscript before it is published in the Conference Proceedings. If the review panel feels the paper is not worthy of peer review status, authors will be notified and their paper will still be published in the Conference Proceedings, but without the 'Peer Reviewed' annotation.
7. Manuscripts should be written according to the 'Guidelines for Preparation of Manuscripts', which will be sent with acceptance notices and will also be available at www.appita.com.au. Please ensure that the Guidelines are adhered to as it is important for the quality of the published volume. Manuscripts should not exceed 5000 words or their equivalent in figures, or 8 A4 pages. Full manuscripts must be received at the Appita office by 17 February 2012. Failure to submit a manuscript may result in the paper being omitted from the final Conference program, or just the abstract being included.
8. Full manuscripts submitted for peer review by 4 November 2011 need not be in the required format for the Conference Proceedings. However for the purpose of peer review, a revised manuscript, prepared in accordance with the 'Guidelines for Preparation of Manuscripts', will be required for inclusion in the Conference Proceedings.
9. Papers are accepted on the understanding that the principal author or co-author will be attending the Conference to present it. Presentation by a deputy, who is not an author, nominated after the full paper has been submitted, will only be permitted under exceptional circumstances.
10. In the absence of a specific agreement to the contrary, papers offered are accepted on conditions that copyright will be transferred, or when the author is from a government agency and copyright cannot be transferred, permission to use granted, and that the same paper will not be presented or published elsewhere without the permission of Appita. Such copyright transfer applies only to publication in the Conference Proceedings, and authors are free to publish elsewhere after the Conference.

It is suggested that peer review only be sought if you intend to use the paper as evidence in support of government funding for research.

SEND YOUR COMPLETED OFFER FORM AND A COPY OF THE ABSTRACT TO:

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Offers Close: 4 November 2011





Appita 2012: Offer of a Paper

(Offers close 4 November 2011)

Please refer to 'Instructions for Authors' on page 4 before completing this form.

PAPER DETAILS:

Paper Title: _____

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PRESENTATION DETAILS

Paper will be presented by: _____

Please **circle** whichever is applicable:

Do you wish your paper to be peer reviewed (*please read the conditions carefully*)? Yes/No
Are you willing to transfer copyright, or if from a government agency, grant Appita permission to use the paper? Yes/No
Has this paper or a similar paper been published, presented or offered for publication or presentation elsewhere? Yes/No
If 'Yes' please provide details (date, meeting, journal, etc)

(Tick if applicable)

Oral presentation Poster presentation Mill Paper presentation

Signature:..... Date:.....

I have attached a 300 – 600 word outline of the proposed paper (or the full manuscript if it is to be peer reviewed)

Please return the completed form (with outline or full manuscript) to:

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