



## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Submission period is **May 8, 2017 – June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.

The Australian Prawn Farmers Association is the leading industry organisation for prawn and shrimp farming in Australia, an industry with a value of circa \$85 million. The industry focuses on providing high quality and high value product to the Australian retail sector and is supported by world leading researchers. The annual Ridley Australian Prawn Farmers Symposium is the pre-eminent forum for Australian prawn farmers to gain new knowledge, network and meet with service providers, vendors and scientists.

The symposium is being held at the RACV Royal Pines Resort, Gold Coast Australia on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 2nd August 2017**.

The **2017 Ridley Australian Prawn Farmers' Association Symposium** welcomes the submission of abstracts for oral presentations. All submissions should be emailed to [roni@agrimix.net.au](mailto:roni@agrimix.net.au)

### Oral Presentations

Presentations provide authors the opportunity to present original work related to conference topics and provide the opportunity to disseminate high quality information to the Australian prawn farming industry. Proposals should consider:

- Oral paper presentations will have 15-minute time slots, with 5 minutes' question time at the end of each presentation. The conference organizers will group oral presentations by topic into sessions.
- All abstracts must be in English.
- Abstracts are to be limited to 250 words.
- Submit in Microsoft Word format
- The following information must be included in the submitted abstract: presentation; all author(s) ' identifying information, including names, degrees, and institutional affiliations (presenting author to be bolded); APFA Symposium Session Topics (see list of topics below); and narrative text. Narrative text may include tables and/or figures providing the submission stays within page limits.
- Abstracts should clearly demonstrate how the information and proposal will benefit the Australian prawn farming industry.

Presentations will be selected for either a 15-minute presentation OR participation in the "Lightning Round" of presentations.

Lightning Round presentations will be limited to 5 minutes and be followed by a panel discussion.

## Topics of Interest

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Pathology & Disease monitoring
- Biosecurity
- Managing with White Spot Syndrome Virus
- *Penaeus monodon* Mortality Syndrome
- Pond Health and Water Quality
- Government regulation and governance
- Marketing
- Hatchery Production Techniques
- Nursery Systems
- Grow Out Production Techniques
- Processing
- Environment & Waste Water Treatment
- Technology & Farm Efficiency
- Other: please indicate

Abstracts will be accepted until close of business on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

Please note that presenters are required to pay their own registration accommodation and travel expenses.