

## **Kobe II Bycatch Workshop**

### **REGISTRATION**

Information on registration and accommodation is included on the online booking form. [Register online](#) now or alternatively download a PDF copy of the registration form.

### **GETTING AROUND**

Brisbane International and Domestic Airport is located approximately 15 - 20 minutes (15km) from the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre.

#### **Airtrain**

Airtrain is the fastest, cheapest and most reliable way to travel from Brisbane Airport to the centre of Brisbane and return. Save on a taxi fare, whilst reducing your carbon footprint. Airtrain services run every 15 minutes in peak hours, and every 30 minutes outside of these hours - the express, air-conditioned journey takes only 20 minutes.

The airport stations are located directly outside the Domestic and International terminals and connect with 5 Brisbane CBD stations covering the majority of downtown Brisbane.

The Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre is located directly behind South Brisbane station. Train tickets are open for 2 hours, so delegates can disembark the train, check into a hotel then continue their journey to the convention centre all on one ticket. Delegates to the Kobe II Bycatch Workshop 2010 will receive a discounted price of \$15.00 return, normally \$27.00. In order to take advantage of this special price, you *must* present a copy of the Conference letter to use as a voucher to exchange for tickets upon arrival. Please [download a copy here](#)

Airtrain wishes you a successful conference in Brisbane and thanks you for helping reduce your carbon footprint. Each return Airtrain ticket purchased represents a saving of 0.8 kg of exhaust creating carbon emissions.

For more information visit [www.airtrain.com.au](http://www.airtrain.com.au)

#### **Car Rental**

Within the terminal there are agents for Avis, Budget, Europcar, Hertz, Red Spot and Thrifty. Car hire costs are highly variable, but range upward from approximately \$46.00 per day plus fees and taxes.

#### **Taxi**

Black & White Taxi ranks are located immediately outside the International and Domestic Terminals. The taxi fare to Brisbane CBD ranges from \$35 - \$40 depending on destination point.

#### **Coach/Shuttle Services**

Coachtrans Australia is the Brisbane Airports only licensed bus operator. Coachtrans meets all flights, Domestic and International, and offers a door to door service. The facilities include continuously staffed customer service counters, information services to arriving passengers, exclusive curbside parking for easy passenger access, air-conditioned buses operating on a door-to-door basis, 7 days a week, one way or return.

Coachtrans Australia services all major accommodation houses, door-to-door in Brisbane CBD.

**Phone:** +61 7 3358 9700

**Website:** <http://www.coachtrans.com.au/>

## **AUSTRALIAN VISAS**

All visitors to Australia must have a valid passport and visa to travel to and enter the country (New Zealand passport holders and permanent residents of Norfolk Island may be subject to visa exceptions upon arrival). Visitors travelling to Australia for business purposes, such as a Conference or Seminar, are required to apply for a business visa. This application must be submitted early (6-8 weeks prior to travel) to ensure that all details are confirmed prior to your departure. Please note, the type of passport which you hold will determine whether you can apply online, or if you need to lodge a paper-based application.

In order to apply online, the passport holder must be from an eVisitor eligible country. Please refer to <http://www.immi.gov.au/visitors/tourist/evisitor> for further information regarding eVisitor eligibility. Eligible passport holders also qualify for an Electronic Travel Authority (ETA). You can apply for an ETA via the Internet [www.eta.immi.gov.au](http://www.eta.immi.gov.au) or have one arranged for you through a travel agent, airline office, specialist service provider or overseas Australian visa office. Further information on ETAs can be found at [http://www.immi.gov.au/e\\_visas/eta.htm](http://www.immi.gov.au/e_visas/eta.htm).

All remaining passport holders must lodge a paper-based application for a **Business (Short Stay) visa (subclass 456)**. Information relating to this visa is available at [www.immi.gov.au/skilled/business/456/](http://www.immi.gov.au/skilled/business/456/). Please note a visa application charge of \$AUD105 will be required when applying for this visa.

For further information on the International Event Coordinator Network (IECN), please visit [www.immi.gov.au/visitors/event-organisers-participants](http://www.immi.gov.au/visitors/event-organisers-participants).

#### **Letters of Invitation for non eVisitor or ETA eligible applicants**

Letters of invitation will be issued to non eVisitor or ETA eligible applicants after we receive your registration. To assist in obtaining any necessary visas that you may require, it is essential that you complete the registration via the Conference website ensuring to include a valid email address, fax number and credit card details. The Conference Secretariat will process your registration and send to you a confirmation letter confirming your attendance at the Conference. You will then be able to present this to your Embassy/High Commission to assist with the application of your visa. In the event that your application is unsuccessful, a full refund will be provided.

#### **Health and character requirements**

All visa applicants will be required to meet certain character and health requirements as part of their visa application process. These requirements exist to uphold the safety and security of the Australian community. Further information on health and character requirements is available at [www.immi.gov.au/allforms/](http://www.immi.gov.au/allforms/)

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

### **Dress and climate**

The conference dress code is casual business attire. June is winter weather in Brisbane and days are typically cooler. Temperatures can reach 21°C during the day and fall to approximately 11°C at night.

### **Parking**

Parking is available at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre at a maximum cost of \$21.00 per day.

### **Personal mail and deliveries**

Personal mail and deliveries should be sent to your accommodation address.

### **Privacy**

The personal information you provide to the conference managers will only be used in connection with the department's conferences.

### **Insurance**

The conference organisers recommend that all delegates purchase travel insurance including cover for non-refundable registration fees, property loss, personal injury, accommodation cancellation and any other risks.

### **Venue**

Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre  
Corner of Merivale and Glenelg Streets  
South Brisbane, Queensland  
tel: +61 7 3308 3000  
fax: +61 7 3308 3500  
www.bcec.com.au

### **Conference Office**

Registration will be at the Registration Desk located outside the meeting room M1. The office will be open during the following times:

Wednesday 23 June 2010	0800 - 1700
Thursday 24 June 2010	0830 - 1700
Friday 25 June 2010	0830 - 1700

### **Messages**

A message board will be located at the registration area. Please advise potential callers to contact the Cairns Convention Centre (phone: 07 4042 4200) and ask for the Statphys24 Conference office. Messages cannot be delivered personally to delegates.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

If you have any queries regarding the conference, please contact the Conference Managers:

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