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Ozwater'22 comes to Brisbane 10 to 12 May 2022

Celebrating Our Water Journey in 2022

Brisbane Australia: Ozwater'22, Australia's most prominent water conference and trade exhibition, comes to Brisbane in a month, with over 5000 people anticipated to attend over the course of the three day event that is open to the general public as well as delegates.

Ozwater is AWA's flagship annual conference and exhibition, the largest water event of its type in the Southern Hemisphere. It will run for three days, from 10-12 May, at the Brisbane Exhibition Convention Centre.

Alongside the conference, Ozwater's trade exhibition will have a large display of products, services, and innovations with over 200 exhibitors.

Ozwater's theme, 'Our Water Journey', is a celebration of the evolution of the water sector from its rich history, where we are now, and the future possibilities.

Ozwater'22 showcases 130 technical presentations, 82 pitch presentations, and a range of interactive workshops and panels. These will include international and local experts, pitches from commercial tech companies, and ideas from water utilities, private sector companies, universities and research bodies, and government agencies.

Water professionals and academics have reviewed all technical papers and case studies. The top 12 papers will then be in the running to win the Ozwater'22 Best Paper & Presentation Award, announced online after Ozwater.

The Ozwater'22 conference program is detailed [here](#).

"I'm so delighted to be able to welcome so many in the water community back together once again for Ozwater in Brisbane this year," said AWA CEO Corinne Cheeseman.

"With the recent tragic flood events in South East Queensland and northern New South Wales, the importance of water management is front and foremost in the community's minds.

"The discussions on climate change and extreme events will undoubtedly be critical and anticipated in light of these recent disasters."

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The event will explore 13 sub-themes in total. As well as Climate Change & Extreme Events, these will include:

- First Nations People Knowledge & Participation
- Achieving a Circular Economy
- Resilience & Water Security, People & Culture
- Diversity, Inclusion & Equity
- Rural, Remote & Regional Water.

"Following a tumultuous few years, with no live events since 2019, I am looking forward to coming together face-to-face at Ozwater. This is a chance to discover fresh ideas and inspire the best solutions for water management, which impacts us all," said Ms Cheeseman.

"I hope you can join us in celebrating Our Water Journey."

To register to attend Ozwater'22 as a delegate, go to <https://www.ozwater.org/register>.

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About the Australian Water Association AWA:

Australian Water Association is Australia's biggest water network inspiring and driving a sustainable water future, with a membership of over 5,000 individual and corporate members. www.awa.asn.au

Web site link(s): <https://www.ozwater.org/>

Social Handles:

#Ozwater22, #Ozwater, #OurWaterJourney, #AustralianWaterAssociation

Twitter handle: [@AustralianWater](https://twitter.com/AustralianWater)

For all media enquiries, including pre-event and on-site interviews with AWA CEO Corinne Cheeseman and Louise Dudley, AWA President Ozwater'22 speakers (refer below speaker bios), & hi-res images, please contact Grace & Grit Strategic Communications Advisory:

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Corinne Cheeseman, CEO of AWA

Corinne is currently the CEO of the Australian Water Association. With more than 20 years'

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experience in the water industry she has held a variety of roles at Sydney Water and the Australian Water Association in the areas of water quality analysis; water sampling; operational and compliance reporting; community and school engagement; industry programs; and data and analytics

Louise Dudley, President of AWA

Louise has been Chief Executive Officer of Urban Utilities since 2012, and prior to this, was the utility's founding Chief Financial Officer.

Preceding Urban Utilities' formation, Louise held several senior management roles at Brisbane City Council, including Executive Manager Water Retail, where she helped facilitate Australia's largest water sector transition that merged five local government water and sewerage businesses into Australia's fourth largest water retailer (Urban Utilities).

Prior to joining Brisbane City Council, Louise spent 17 years with leading accounting and advisory firm, KPMG.

Louise is the President of the Australian Water Association and a director on the boards of Water Aid and WaterStart. As well as being a Chartered Accountant, Louise holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Queensland, is a Graduate Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and is an Engineering Executive.

For media enquiries, including pre-event and on-site interviews with Keynote Presenters please refer to contact details under biography)

Ashleigh Morris, CEO of Coreo, Associate Professor of Griffith University

As CEO of Coreo, Ashleigh has an unwavering commitment to be of service to the creation of an economy that respects and values people and nature.

In recognition of her strategic foresight and experience in the private and public sectors, Ashleigh has been awarded the Lord Mayor of Brisbane's 2020 Young Businessperson of the Year Award; is a Prime Minister's Scholar; an Australian ASEAN Emerging Leader; was an invitee to the 73rd United Nations General Assembly; and is an Ellen MacArthur Foundation Circular Economy Champion, a title granted to only a handful of people worldwide.

Note on Ashleigh: Will prioritise high visibility opportunities. In terms of written content, op-eds, Q&As that will be no issue, if the content requires Ash to be on a call or take part in an interview, please contact Linda lindar@coreo.com.au