

**NEW DATES – CALL FOR PAPERS EXTENDED**

Now closing 20 Aug 2021

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**Share your knowledge, insights, and perspectives at the Appita Fibre Value Chain Conference.**

The Fibre Value Chain Conference has a new brand FVCCON 21 and an exciting new format! Held over 6 days, FVCCON 21 will inform, engage, and provide deep insight on industry emerging technologies, industry advancements, innovation and process and continuous improvements across the full spectrum of the fibre value chain. The conference will explore what it means to be a fully sustainable and bio-innovative industry.

Creating our biofuture:

- 6 days
- 2 countries
- 8 interactive virtual sessions
- 2 live streamed face to face events
- 2 cocktail functions
- 2 live Team Building events hosted by the Appita YPN

FVCCON21 will feature virtual Technical Sessions and virtual Panel Discussions from Monday – Thursday each week culminating in a one-day live event on Friday 3 December at the Novotel Hotel, Rotorua, New Zealand, and Friday 10 December, at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre, Clarendon Rooms, South Wharf, Melbourne.

**FVCCON21 New Program Format – 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2021 – 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2021**

Date	Session Type	Time
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	YPN Team Building Event Rotorua – The Panic Room	Time TBA
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December <i>Novotel Hotel, Rotorua, New Zealand</i>	Conference opening event	9:00 am – 5:00 pm NZDT
	Live and live stream event	7:00 am – 3:00 pm AEST
	Networking Cocktail Function	5:30 pm – 8:30 pm NZDT
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual Technical Session*	12:00 pm – 1:30 pm AEST 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm NZDT
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual Technical Session*	12:00 pm – 1:30 pm AEST 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm NZDT
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual Technical Session*	12:00 pm – 1:30 pm AEST 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm NZDT
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Virtual Technical Session*	12:00 pm – 1:30 pm AEST 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm NZDT
	YPN Team Building Event Melbourne – The Panic Room	Time TBA
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December <i>Melbourne Convention &amp; Exhibition Centre (MCEC), Clarendon Rooms, South Wharf, Melbourne</i>	Conference closing event	9:00 am – 5:00 pm AEST
	Live and live stream event	7:00 am – 3:00 pm NZST
	Networking Cocktail Function	5:30 pm – 8:30 pm AEST

## Topics/Themes

Papers are sought on a broad range of topics that will inform, engage, and provide deep insight on industry emerging technologies, industry advancements, innovation and process and continuous improvements across the full spectrum of the fibre value chain.

### List of suggested topics - however other topics are welcome:

1.	Bioresources, bioenergy & co-generation
2.	Bioproducts, biomaterials
3.	Circular Economy & Sustainability
4.	Paper & Board manufacturing 3.1 Efficiency & process improvements 3.2 Process and functional additives/novel additives 3.3 Best practice 3.4 Lean manufacturing 3.5 Engineering & mill reliability
5.	Pulping and Bleaching
6.	Packaging/Converting
7.	Print/digital printing
8.	Energy and water management
9.	Environmental management and regulation
10.	Resource assessment and management

### Key Dates:

- Monday 20 Aug 2021 - Abstract Submission and Speaker's Bio/image due.
- Monday 30 Aug 2021 - Notification of Acceptance.
- Monday 6 Sept 2021 - Extended Abstracts and Full Papers due.
- Monday 20 Sept 2021 - Speaker's Registration (complimentary and paid for) due
- Monday 27 Sept – Monday 11 Oct 2021 - Book Pre-recording session of presentation with Appita.

### Abstract Submissions:

- 300–600-word abstract outlining the content of proposed presentation.
- Speaker's bio and current image (300 dpi jpeg) must accompany submission.
- Outline to state clearly and in some detail what the presentation will contain, including a summary of the results and conclusion of the work described.
- Formatted in accordance with Appita's Abstract Submission Guidelines. [Click here to access Speakers Resources.](#)

### Speakers' Presentations:

- Sessions will be presented via Zoom meeting.
- Power Point Template will be provided by Appita.
- Presentation will be pre-recorded and reviewed by the Appita Technical Committee for approval.
- Each session will comprise of three presentations.
  - Session will run from 12:00 pm – 1:45 pm AEST.
- Presentation timing:
  - 5-minute chair introduction, strictly 15 minutes speaker presentation (pre-recorded), 10-minute Q&A.
- Speakers are expected to join the session at 11:30 am for speakers prep and tech test.

### Full Paper & Extended Abstracts:

- Full papers and extended abstracts can be submitted for inclusion into the 2021 Conference Proceedings.
- Full Papers and Extended Abstracts should be written according to the **Guidelines for Preparation of Extended Abstracts & Full Papers** – [Click here to access Speakers Resources.](#)

### Speakers' Registration:

- Virtual Technical Session Speakers' registrations will be complimentary (access to virtual presentations only\*)
- Speaker's must register before Wednesday 8 September 2021 (complimentary or paid).
- Speakers' registration fee will apply to speakers wishing to access all virtual sessions including live streams of the one-day conferences in Australia and New Zealand.
- Full fee applies to speakers wishing to attend the live events - see live event registration.
- For details and to register, [click here.](#)

## AWARDS

All submissions accompanied by a Full Paper or Extended Abstract will be considered for recognition in the appropriate Award Category.

### Jasper Mardon Memorial Prize (Full Paper Required)

This 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 thick stock system to finishing are eligible. The prize is judged on the full paper being published in the Conference Proceedings, and plaques are awarded to all authors of the prize-winning paper.

### Best Mill Paper (Extended Abstract Required)

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 AUD2000, the prize is to be used for professional development.

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