

**APEN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

Christchurch, New Zealand

28-30th August 2013

Transformative Change: Chosen or Unchosen

Pathways to innovation, resilience and prosperity

We live in changing times – sometimes we can choose our challenges and sometimes these are created for us. The 2013 APEN International Conference will encourage delegates to share their experiences and learnings about dealing with opportunities and threats in the fields in which we work as we consider how we react to – or help bring about – transformative change.

Key themes for the conference are:

- *Change – an opportunity or limitation?*
- *Adaptive management – farming, community, health, other*
- *Resilience – building and encouraging resilience on farm, in community*
- *Collective action – broader community, health, farming, other*
- *Future trends in extension and advisory services*



Call for abstracts

You are invited to submit conference abstracts of less than 350 words to Toni White via email: toni.white@agresearch.co.nz. Abstracts must include the title of the paper, the author(s) names and institution(s), plus telephone and email address of the corresponding author. A template is available from www.apen.org.au.

The abstract should conclude with a sentence on the three key learnings from the work reported.

The presentation choices for the conference include:

- Orally (approximately 15 minutes at concurrent sessions)
- Poster display (posters will be displayed throughout the conference and there will be a special poster session).

Presenters have a range of choices available to them for submission as follows:

1. Presentation/Poster with abstract only
2. Presentation/Poster with abstract and conference paper (2-3 pages)
3. Presentation with abstract and journal paper

Authors of papers that are not accepted for the conference will be offered an opportunity to publish in the journal.

Submitters are required to clearly indicate which publication options they are submitting. Further information on guidelines for submitting full papers will be available from the conference website closer to the conference date.

Dates and deadlines

Paper abstracts due 15 February 2013 (extended to 28 February)

Authors notified 25 March 2013

Poster only abstracts due 12 April 2013