



# APEN 2021 - Expression of Interest

## The opportunity in a nutshell

APEN's biennial conference, 'the heart and soul of APEN', provides an opportunity to:

- ✚ Network.
- ✚ Coach and mentor.
- ✚ Support and showcase students and their research.
- ✚ Learn about and discuss extension theory.
- ✚ Learn about new practice, new engagement and media trends.

The APEN Board is inviting interested parties to submit an Expression of Interest for organising and hosting APEN 2021. APEN 2021 will provide an opportunity to exchange ideas and experiences among practitioners, researchers, policy makers and others involved in extension and education.

### APEN 2021 - proposed theme

*Looking to the future: the role of extension and education.*

*In a rapidly changing world, APEN 2021 will provide an opportunity to better appreciate the new roles and functions played by extension and education. Together, we will discuss the necessary skills and capabilities, and the approaches, methods and instruments useful to improve effectiveness and impacts.*

### APEN Board's commitment to the APEN 2021 organising committee:

- ❖ *We will support the organising committee to ensure the conference is a success.*
- ❖ *Selected Board members will contribute to the operation of the organising committee.*
- ❖ *We support the use of professional conference organisers.*
- ❖ *We will provide support regarding banking and financial transactions.*

### Our timeline

EOI issued	11 October 2019
Deadline for EOI	31 October 2019
Complete EOI evaluations	8 November 2019
Successful party notified	12 November 2019

### How to contact us

- Send completed EOI to [info@apen.org.au](mailto:info@apen.org.au).

- For further information:

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## **Our requirements**

Interested parties are invited to complete and submit the relevant information requested below:

**Location** (*Country/state and city/town*)

**Timing** (*Month – the Board would prefer between August & November to coincide with the AGM*)

**Duration** (*days*)

**Describe how the conference might work** (*200 words max*).

*For example, pre-conference workshops, field trips, conference sessions, other sessions.*

**Describe how you might target/appeal to different audiences** (*200 words max*).

*For example, members, students, young extension professionals, international attendees.*

**Describe your approach to financing APEN 2021, including sponsorship, target registrations and other considerations** (*200 words max*).

**If possible, describe if and how APEN 2021 could link and create synergies with other conferences or events** (*100 words max*)

**Send completed EOI to [info@apen.org.au](mailto:info@apen.org.au) by 31 October 2019.**