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Dear Convention Delegates, Sponsors and Exhibitors

Welcome to the 19th ASEG/PESA International Conference and Exhibition, on behalf of the Conference Organising Committee, the West Australian Branch of the Australian Society for Exploration Geophysicists, the Petroleum Exploration Society of Australia, and the Formation Evaluation Society of Australia.

On the 50th Anniversary of the International Geophysical Year, ASEG and PESA have combined to bring you one of the largest conferences spanning the geophysical and geological disciplines of the mining, oil and gas and environmental sciences in Australia. In addition, this year we welcome the one day conference offered by FESAus, which brings the nation's petrophysicists together to exchange ideas with us all.

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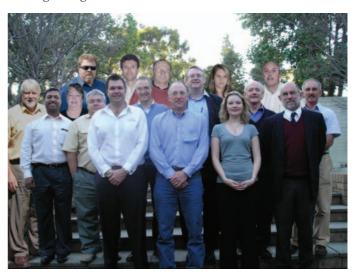
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From the Presidents

The 19th International Geophysical Conference and Exhibition is a particularly special one for several reasons. Firstly, it involves the collaboration of the three professional societies, the ASEG, PESA and FESAus, highlighting the importance of cross fertilisation between societies in enhancing the benefits to our individual members.

Secondly, it has a very pertinent theme 'Exploration & Beyond' which in many ways highlights the fact that in this production-led resource boom we should not lose sight of the fact that exploration success is critical for replacing reserves let alone growing them. On the other hand, the theme rightly highlights that discovery is not enough. We must then be able to efficiently and effectively produce the resource and create value.

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So it gives us great pleasure in welcoming you all to the 19th International Geophysical Conference particularly to those delegates from overseas, colleagues from ASEG, PESA and FESAus and of course from our sister societies the SEG, EAGE, SEGJ, KSEG, HAGI and SAGA.

Have a great time! Best wishes

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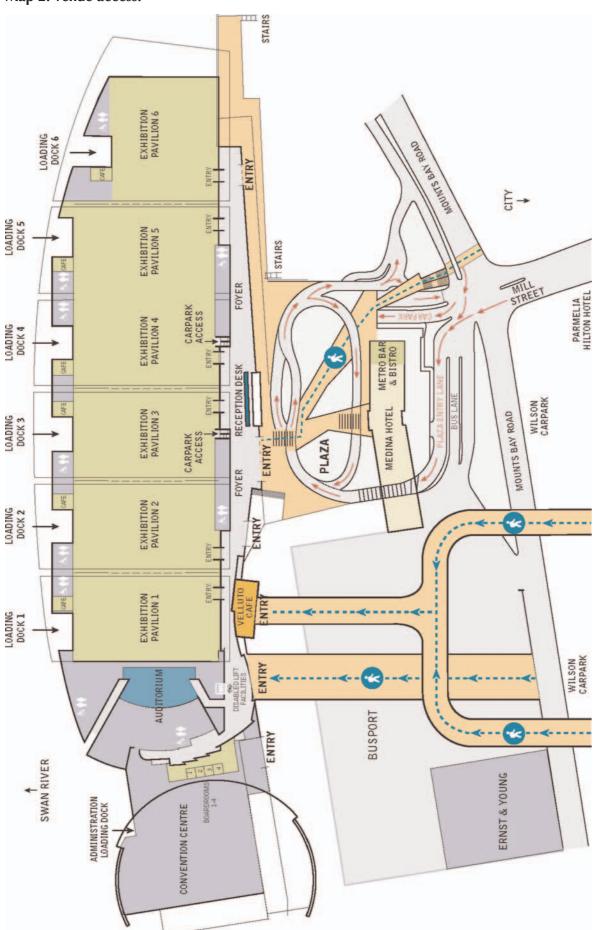
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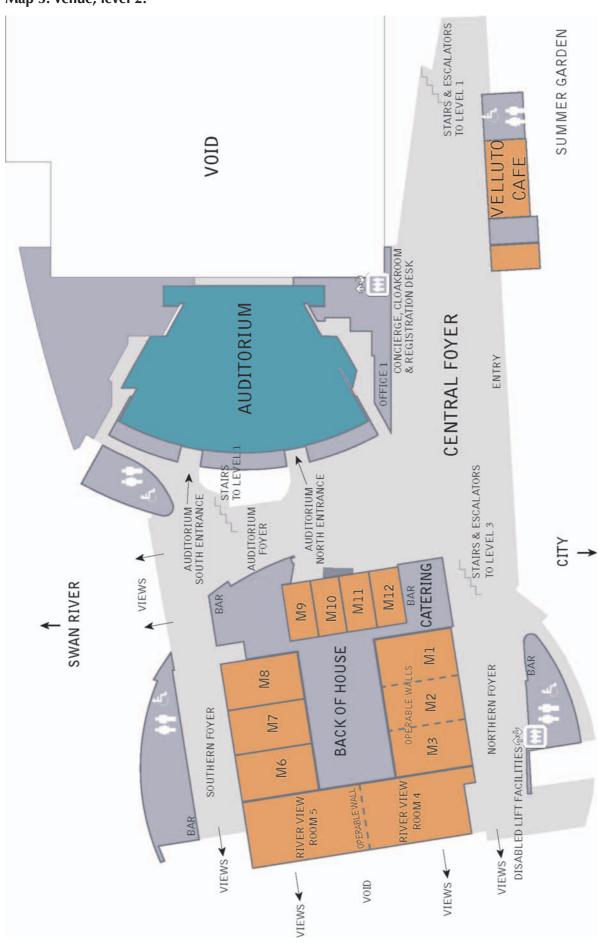
Map 1. Vehicle holding area and docks.



Map 2. Venue access.



Map 3. Venue, level 2.



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