

## Tamworth Regional Outlook conference

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# Tamworth

## 15 November 2017

ABARES Regional Outlook conference

Ibis Styles Tamworth,  
80-90 Ebsworth Street,  
Tamworth, NSW





## Registration is complimentary

### Registration includes:

- conference entry
- morning, lunch and afternoon tea
- copy of the delegate directory for easier networking
- copy of ABARES 'About my region' agricultural industries profile
- access to ABARES recent publications

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8.30 AM Registration

## Innovation in agriculture – capturing the opportunities

CHAIR **Kristy Reading**  
ABC Rural

9.00 AM Welcome to Country

*Opening address*

**Senator Bridget McKenzie**

Senator for Victoria

Chair of Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade

Legislation Committee

9.30 AM **Steve Hatfield-Dodds**

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*Big picture issues affecting New South Wales*

9.50 AM **Michael Dean**

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

*Free Trade Agreements: agriculture, trade, and foreign investment*

10.10 AM Questions and discussion

10.30 AM Morning tea

## Innovation in livestock enterprises

CHAIR **Ian Lobsey**  
Regional Development Australia  
Northern Inland

11.00 AM **Rohan Nelson**

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*Commodity outlook and issues*

11.20 AM **Derek Blomfield**

The Conscious Farmer

*From paddock to plate sustainably*

11.40 AM **Chris Lawlor**

International Animal Health Products

*Biological control of livestock parasites*

12.00 PM **Guy Hebblewhite**

Praedium Agri Management/Nuffield Scholar

*Efficient poultry production with world's best practice*

12.20 PM Questions and discussion

1.00 PM Lunch

## Growing crops and collaboration in a changing environment

CHAIR **Guy McMullen**  
Department of Primary Industries

2.00 PM **Stephen Lellyett**

Bureau of Meteorology

*Better information, better decisions*

2.20 PM **Neal Hughes**

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*Climate adjusted productivity on cropping farms: the slowdown and the rebound*

2.40 PM **Andrew Watson**

Kilmarnock Farming/Nuffield Scholar

*Economic benefits of sustainable cropping*

3.00 PM **Lorraine Gordon**

Farming Together

*Increasing returns through collaboration*

3.20 PM Questions and discussion

4.00 PM Close and afternoon tea