



THE 58TH ANNUAL AUSTRALIA-JAPAN JOINT BUSINESS CONFERENCE

MONDAY 4 OCTOBER – WEDNESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2021

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The AJBCC and its Japan-based counterpart the Japan Australia Business Co-operation Committee (JABCC) come together each October for their annual Joint Business Conference (JBC) of member organisations. Typically with over 400 senior Australian and Japanese business executives, the JBC alternates between Australia and Japan.

Owing to travel restrictions resulting from the COVID Pandemic, this year, for the first time, it will be held in a hybrid form, with gatherings in Adelaide, South Australia and Tokyo, Japan, linked by live streaming. The AJBCC wishes to record its gratitude to the JABCC for enabling the conference to proceed in this format.

OVERALL CONFERENCE THEME: COLLECTIVE EFFORTS IN TURBULENT TIMES

The business environment has been buffeted over the past eighteen months by “Three Cs” – COVID-19, China and its relations with others, and Carbon Neutrality. These factors pose enormous challenges, but also significant opportunities, for both Australia and Japan. In these times of turbulence, how can we act collectively and draw on our complementary skills to ensure our businesses, our countries and our partnership emerge better and stronger than ever?

The AJBCC’s annual business conference is a unique forum for discussion amongst senior Australian and Japanese executives, open exclusively to AJBCC and JABCC members.

We gratefully acknowledge the support of the South Australian Government and our other sponsors:



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PROGRAM OUTLINE: MONDAY 4 OCTOBER – WEDNESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2021

MONDAY 4 OCTOBER 2021

Afternoon

(Adelaide Convention Centre)

Conference registration for AJBCC member delegates.

Preparatory meetings

CONFERENCE EVE: NETWORKING AND WELCOME RECEPTION

AJBCC members (including Future Leaders) and their partners together with JABCC members (including Future Leaders) and their partners.

THE CONFERENCE THEMES

TUESDAY 5 OCTOBER 2021 – SESSION THEMES

Opening Ceremony

Scene setting addresses

PLENARY SESSION 1: MAINTAINING ENERGY IN AUSTRALIA-JAPAN RELATIONS

This session will cover implications of the clean energy transition, and Japan's pledge to become carbon-neutral by 2050 for Australia-Japan Energy trade and investment.

PLENARY SESSION 2: BUILDING BACK FROM THE PANDEMIC

This session will cover the challenges and opportunities arising from the current COVID-19 Pandemic and how Australian and Japanese business can make collective efforts to address them.

WORKING LUNCHEON: WORKING TOGETHER IN SPACE

PLENARY SESSION 3: TRADE IN AN ERA OF TURBULENCE – SHAPING THE FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL VALUE CHAINS

This session will cover the implications of recent regional and global developments for international supply chains, and how Australia and Japan can work together to ensure business outcomes are maximised.

PLENARY SESSION 4: FUTURE LEADERS PROGRAM

Members of the AJBCC/JABCC Future Leaders Program will present a session highlighting future possibilities for the Australia-Japan relationship.

OFFICIAL CONFERENCE DINNER

Official Conference Dinner:
(All Delegates and Partners)

The annual conference highlight is the official dinner. This gives attendees the opportunity to: network; deepen their discussions with others concerning the conference themes; and develop their own specific business objectives.

This is for AJBCC members (including Future Leaders) and their partners, together with JABCC members (including Future Leaders) and their partners and distinguished guests.

OTHER INFORMATION

Registration:

You are required to register for the October conference. Do this by using the convenient [online booking form](#).

Hotels:

The AJBCC has organised a special conference rate at the InterContinental and Oval Hotels, both located nearby to the Adelaide Convention Centre, where the conference will be held.

From the [online booking page](#), please click on your preferred hotel and use the special link (InterContinental Hotel) or passcode (Oval Hotel) included on their respective webpage to obtain the special conference rate.

Naturally, if you wish, you may also book accommodation elsewhere.