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WORKSHOP | EXPO | NETWORK

10am - 5pm | Berri Hotel - Berri SA

Wednesday 29th April 2026

**"Bringing Growers, Industries and
Innovation Under One Roof."**

WORKSHOP

The workshop brings together leading experts and growers to share practical, forward-thinking insights across five key agricultural themes. Through keynotes and panel discussions, speakers present real-world knowledge and emerging ideas, encouraging discussion, building trust with growers, and highlighting industry innovation.

EXPO AND NETWORKING

Running throughout the day, the expo brings together IoT and Agri-Tech companies, service providers, Government and Universities in a practical setting where Riverland growers can explore solutions, connect with experts, and continue conversations focused on the region's future.

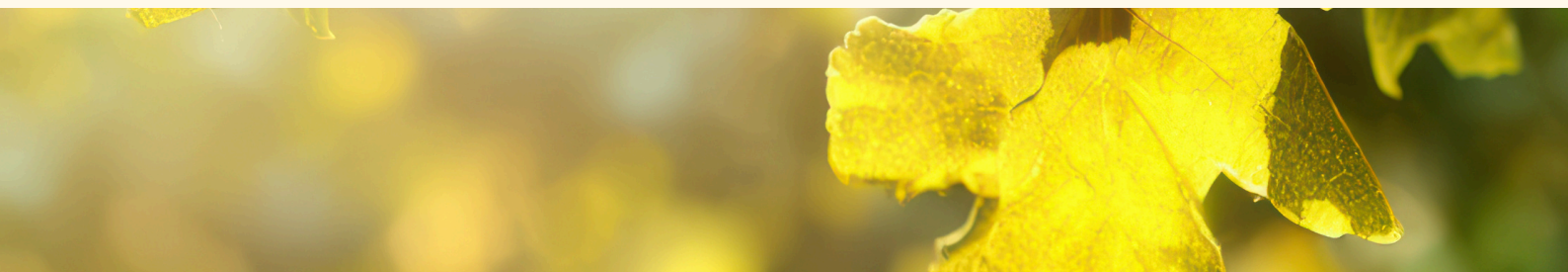
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Morning Schedule

TIME	BRIEF	OVERVIEW	SPEAKER
9:30 AM	Registrations and Expo Opens	Arrive, networking and early engagement	
10:00 AM	Acknowledgment of Country, Welcome & Context Setting	Acknowledges current challenges while reinforcing a practical, and clear next steps for the region's future.	Sanoop Varughese
10:15 AM	Grower Stories 1	Real Transition Experiences	Laurance Howie
10:30 AM	Grower Stories 2	Real Transition Experiences	Ben Waddelow
10:45 AM	Benefits of Data Driven Insights	Explores how data-driven insights can optimise water use in alternative crops, improving efficiency and sustainability through tools like SWAN Systems.	Tom Hatcher-SWAN Systems
11:05 AM	Financing Approach/ Leasing Models	Financial counselling to help growers assess their options, manage debt, and access available government support as they plan their path forward.	Lloyd Wright - Rural Business Solutions
11:15 AM	Export Options/ Indian Market	Overview of Australia India Business Council, Indian Market Overview, Agri Tech value propositions, Support for Businesses	Joseph John - AIBC
11:30 AM	Panel Discussion + Q&A	Transition in practice - Sanoop leads a focused panel on practical transition challenges and opportunities for the Riverland region	
12:00 PM	Break out session	Session 1: Preparing a business case for Financial Organisations Session 2: Real-World lessons in adopting technology for farming	

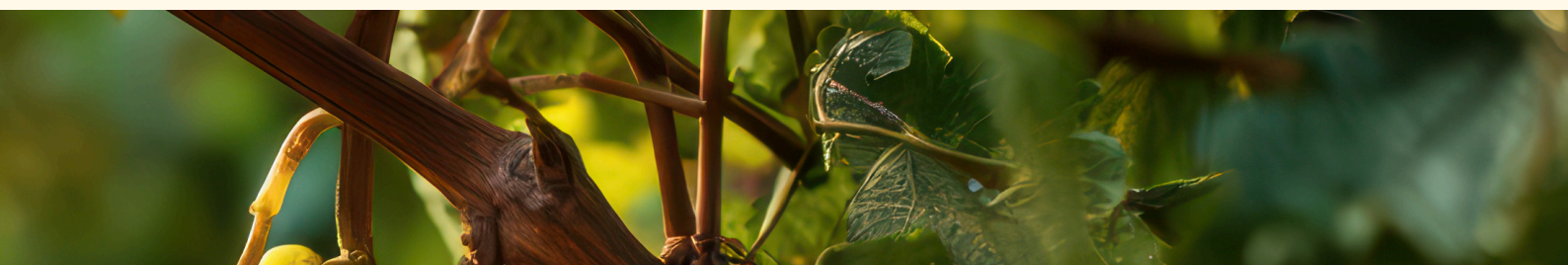


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Afternoon Schedule

TIME	BRIEF	OVERVIEW	SPEAKER
12:20 PM	Lunch Break	Inside Riverview lounge	
1:05 PM	Insights	Focuses on irrigation, carbon capture, and practical insights tailored to Riverland conditions.	Vinay Pagay - Adelaide University
1:25 PM	Decision-making Approach	Focuses on using data to support decision-making, reduce uncertainty, and enable practical on-farm actions.	Varun Jacob - Promatas Group
1:45 PM	Support Programs, Transition Pathways	Outlines available support programs, key market signals, and clear pathways to guide transition decisions.	Anthony Grundel - Department of State Development
2:05 PM	Leasing Models & Legal Aspects	Covers leasing models, key legal considerations, and contractual obligations to support informed agreements.	Thara Namboothiri - FCL Lawyers
2:25 PM	Global Trends, Australian Focused & Future Outlook	Examines global trends, places them in the Australian context, and considers the future outlook.	Kathryn Anderson - Flinders University
2:45 PM	Panel Discussion + Q&A	Pathways Forward - Sanoop leads a focused panel on research, support pathways and opportunities for the Riverland region	
3:15PM	Break Out Session	Session 1: Australian Research - Adelaide University Session 2: Global Research - Flinders University Session 3: Support & Funding for Transition - FCL Lawyers, RBS Session 4: Export Industry & Options - DSD, Promatas Group	
4:10PM	Raffle Draw, Conclusion & Vote of Thanks		





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