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Industry to re-connect at *Doing Timber Business in Queensland Symposium 2021*

While the times we are living in may be uncertain, one thing's for sure: Timber Queensland's *Doing Timber Business in Queensland Symposium* on 19 March is a long-awaited opportunity to gain insight into the industry's future and re-connect with industry colleagues.

Timber Queensland Chief Executive Officer, Mick Stephens, said while COVID continues to present challenges for us all, 2021 will be a significant year for the Queensland timber industry. Long-term hardwood resource security for South-East, Far North and Central Queensland is essential for industry confidence and investment, as well as new softwood plantation investment models and timber manufacturing competitiveness.

"The symposium will bring the full industry supply chain together for a face-to-face symposium to discuss key policy issues for industry and supporting projects that can unlock further growth," said Mick Stephens.

"We are pleased the Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries, Mark Furner, will be speaking on behalf of the Queensland Government at the event. The Shadow Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Tony Perrett, will also be providing his perspectives on the industry," he said.

"They will be joined by speakers covering housing market trends, resource security and plantation development, environmental regulation, Far North Queensland and South-East Queensland regional forestry hubs, supply chains and more."

Mick Stephens said TQ's reputation for delivering quality content and speakers at previous *Doing Timber Business in Queensland* events has attracted interest and support from industry stakeholders across Australia including Gold Sponsor Responsible Wood and Silver Sponsors PF Olsen and Eco Cottages.

"Our sponsor partners and the TQ team look forward to catching up with industry colleagues. The airy, ventilated venue will provide plenty of space and an opportunity to combine work with play – following the formal proceedings we'll enjoy barefoot bowls and a barbeque."

To celebrate the International Day of Forests, the IFA/AFG Queensland Branch are also holding a plantation management and fire recovery field trip to Jimna the day after the symposium. Further information on the field trip can be found via the [IFA/AFG webpage](#).

Registrations are now open for the symposium via Timber Queensland's website [here](#).

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Mark Furner, Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries, opens Doing Timber Business in Queensland 2018 with Mick Stephens, TQ CEO



Attendees at Doing Timber Business in Queensland 2018 conference