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Murray Darling Association National Conference almost here.

The Murray Darling Association's 2015 National Conference and AGM at the Cobram Barooga Golf Club on September 9 – 11 is almost upon us. Hosts, Berrigan Shire, have provided an impressive venue for the conference and it is set to be an informative, dynamic and entertaining event.

"It's in the Balance" is the theme of the conference, emphasising the need for balanced consideration of social, economic and environmental impacts in the management of our Basin resources. The Conference will also become the driving force behind the Murray Darling Association's future in stakeholder engagement and provide further opportunity to ensure the voice of local government maintains a seat at the table when the decisions are made at state and federal levels that affect our local communities.

The AGM, which will be held at the conclusion of the Conference on Thursday 10 September, will debate nine progressive motions, and will inform the direction for the MDA for the year ahead.

The conference will be attended by a number of highly regarded speakers including Senator John Madigan, The Hon. Bob Baldwin, Senior Research Fellow Dr. Jacqui Schirmer, MDBA Chairman Neil Andrew, Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder David Papps and Author Julian Cribb, and Darren Hartnett. The packed program will be moderated by experienced corporate MC David Legge, ensuring a lively and entertaining pace across the two days of interactive presentations.

The conference is particularly timely, with the Senate Inquiry into the Basin Plan set to commence hearings in September. Senator John Madigan, a key driver behind the establishment of the inquiry will be opening the conference. To hear from him and our other guests, in addition to valuable networking with council representatives and individuals, register now by visiting www.mda.asn.au or contacting the MDA office on 03 5480 3805 or by email admin@mda.asn.au.

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