



## Media release

Thursday 1 December 2022

## **REGISTER NOW FOR WORLD'S BIGGEST FISHING CONFERENCE**

Early bird registrations are being encouraged for the 10<sup>th</sup> World Recreational Fishing Conference (WRFC10), which is coming to Melbourne, Australia, from 20-22 February 2023.

Victorian Fisheries Authority (VFA) CEO, Travis Dowling, said the conference program had been announced and everyone 'down under' was looking forward to welcoming the brightest minds to the world's preeminent and biggest international recreational fishing conference this summer.

"We're encouraging recreational fishing enthusiasts, industry trail-blazers and professionals in the field from all corners of the globe to make the trip and book a spot now that registrations are open."

"The VFA and International Scientific Board have secured an incredible line up of speakers and workshops to focus on the conference's headline theme of 'Keeping Pace in a Dynamic and Challenging World with Changing Fisheries'.

"Steven Moyer from Trout Unlimited will talk about how anglers and science are making a difference, while Dr Beth Nyboer from Canada explores climate change and recreational fisheries.

"How to build a bridge to enhance knowledge exchange will be presented by Sascha Clark-Danylchuk and Stan Lui from the Torres Strait will delve into First Nations People and recreational fisheries.

"These four keynote addresses are a small sample of what's on offer and are sure to generate exciting dialogue between peers, colleagues and experts in recreational fisheries management and science.

"Get set for riveting presentations, topical discussions, exciting research and a chance to forge new professional networks."

Mr Dowling said Melbourne is also home to incredible recreational fishing opportunities for those considering wetting a line or taking a dive while here.

"February is the height of our summer so it's a great time to enjoy our beaches, explore nature-based tourism and wildlife parks, cast a lure for iconic Murray cod or explore the amazing underwater world in Port Phillip Bay, right on Melbourne's doorstep."

Registrations are now open and early bird tickets can be secured at discounted prices until 23 December 2022 at <a href="http://www.wrfc10.com/registrations">www.wrfc10.com/registrations</a>

To learn more about the World Recreational Fishing Conference visit <u>www.wrfc10.com</u> or catch the latest on our social media platforms on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Media contact: Michelle Wenner 0497 999 744

