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ABARES Regional Outlook conferences are an essential part of our delivery of commodity forecasts and research results directly to rural and regional communities, with each conference program tailored to the region.

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- conference entry
- access to ABARES recent publications
- morning and afternoon tea and lunch
- delegate directory
- profile data *about my region*

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# Geraldton 26 August 2015

#### Registration 8.30 AM The business of agriculture – producing for profit Joanna Prendergast CHAIR **ABC Rural** Welcome to Country 9.00 AM TBC **Opening address** Jammie Penm 9.30 AM ABARES National and international issues affecting the region 9.50 AM **Chris Moore** Westpac Agribusiness Accessing capital for the Asian opportunity Questions and discussion 10.10 AM Morning tea 10.30 AM

# Big picture – productivity and innovation

| CHAIR    | <b>Pamela l'Anson</b><br>Department of Agriculture and Food WA  |
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| 11.00 AM | Peter Collins<br>ABARES<br>Commodity outlook for Western Australia  |
| 11.20 AM | <b>David Fienberg</b><br>Australian Export Grains Innovation Centre<br>Where next for producers growing the<br>grains industry? |
| 11.40 AM | <b>Sue Middleton</b><br>National Landcare Advisory Committee<br>What future for West Australian agriculture?                    |
| 12.00 PM | <b>Mike Bergin</b><br>Bureau of Meteorology<br>When the past is no longer the best guide  |
| 12.20 PM | Questions and discussion  |
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#### 1.00 PM Lunch

# Adapting to changing business environments

| CHAIR   | <b>Jill Wilson</b><br>Northern Agricultural Catchments Council WA  |
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| 2.00 PM | <b>Kate Mason</b><br>Katie-Joy's Free Range Eggs/Nuffield Australia<br><i>Crowing about eggs – let's talk with consumers</i> |
| 2.20 PM | <b>Robert Curtotti</b><br>ABARES<br><i>Outlook for commercial fisheries</i><br><i>and aquaculture</i>                        |
| 2.40 PM | <b>Wayne Dredge</b><br>Piscari Industries/Nuffield Australia<br>Australian fisheries – capitalising on a<br>good thing       |
| 3.00 PM | <b>Cameron Weeks</b><br>Planfarm<br>What the best broadacre farmers do better<br>than the rest                               |
| 3.20 PM | Questions and discussion   |
| 3.40 PM | Close and afternoon tea  |