Saturday 19 September Day 1

8:00	Registration opens
8:30	**Welcome to Country (Aunty Theresa Dargin), DCCEEW welcome (Lucas Grenadier) opening comments (Richard Fuller), housekeeping (Andrea Griffin)**
9:00	Opening Plenary: **Birgita Hansen** Renewable energy and shorebirds
10:00	**Session A (4 Full extended Talks)** Theme: **Movement Ecology** - Chair: **Hui Yu**
	1. **Andrea Griffin:** Cooperative telemetry in the Hunter: From network deployment to shorebird stories 2. **Maxime Marini:** Motus automated telemetry reveals movement patterns and site preferences during the non-breeding season in coastal Australian shorebirds, particularly at night and low-tide 3. **Danny Rogers:** GPS-Tracking reveals differences between day and night habitat selection of Sharp-tailed Sandpipers at the Western Treatment Plant: potential causes and conservation management implications 4. **Lin Yan:** INTELINK - A distributed Infrastructure for low-power biologging, multi-modal mata annotation, and scalable citizen science
11:00	**Morning Tea (30 min)**
11:30	**Session B (4 Full extended Talks)** Theme: **Behaviour and Ecology** - Chair: **Toby Ross**
	5. **Amelie Corriveau:** Habitat preferences of Far Eastern Curlew in Australia: implications for conservation 6. **David Edwards:** Shorebird Survey in the Southeast Gulf of Carpentaria 2026 7. **Louise Williams:** Diet of two threatened migratory shorebirds at a southern hemisphere non-breeding site determined through DNA metabarcoding 8. **Takehiko Shimizu:** Revealing high-resolution behavioral patterns of migratory shorebirds using large-scale standardized field surveys
12:30	**BirdLife Australia:** H5N1 avian flu update
12:40	**Lunch & Poster Session (70 min) - TECHNICAL WORKSHOP by Faunatech**
	P1. **Chidera Igwe:** Wetland habitat loss and the survival of migratory shorebirds: Emerging conservation challenges along the East Asian–Australasian Flyway P2. **Daniel Lees:** The importance of disturbance data in shorebird conservation P3. **Judith Little:** History of shorebird banding in the Hunter Estuary P4. **Andrew McIntyre:** What birds are we missing? Shorebird surveys of beach swales on Worimi Conservation Lands
13:50	**Session C (4 Full Talks)** Theme: **Behaviour and Ecology** – Chair: **Andrea Griffin**
	9. **Micha Jackson:** Nesting ecology of Far Eastern Curlew tracked from Australia 10. **Mattea Taylor:** Changes in habitat usage by shorebird communities in a highly urbanised and industrialised coastal estuary 11. **Christophe Tourenq:** Shorebirds' response to habitat restoration using targeted removal of mangroves at Curlew Point, Hunter estuary, NSW 12. **Zoe Gilbert:** Silver Gulls and egg discrimination: A behavioural paradigm
14:50	**Afternoon coffee break (30 min)**
15:20	**Session D (4 Full extended Talks)** Theme: **Population Dynamics** - Chair: **Takehiko Shimizu**
	13. **Mike Newman:** Status and trends of migratory shorebirds in Tasmania, 1973 - 2026 14. **Lily Gapes:** Quantifying spatial patterns of shorebird abundance in estuaries across Australia: the role of biophysical landscape characteristics 15. **Tobias Ross:** Surviving the times: 50 years of population dynamics of Australian migratory shorebirds 16. **Helon Simões Oliveira:** When range maps mislead: reassessing the distribution and seasonal status of the Pinnated Bittern
16:25	**Session E: Speed Talks (6 x 5 min)** - Chair: **Takehiko Shimizu**
16.25	1. **Gray Gourlay:** Presence of contaminants in the Hunter River Ramsar Wetlands and shorebird food chain
16:30	2. **Jennie Beeson:** Citizen science contributes to national and international site designation
16:35	3. **Max A. Wright:** Stopover sites and migratory routes of Far Eastern Curlews tracked from Australia
16:40	4. **Micha Jackson:** East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership Shorebird Working Group
16:45	5. **Andrew McIntyre:** Birds of the Hunter's estuary habitats
16:50	6. **Syfe Xi:** Mapping Far Eastern Curlew movements within a localised area
16:55	**End of Day 1**