



# Sponsorship & Exhibition Prospectus



**APVRS2026**  
CONGRESS

**Where Retina Meets the Reef**

28–30 August 2026

Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre

# Invitation to Join the Sponsorship and Exhibition Program of APVRS 2026 Gold Coast Congress

**The 19th Congress of the Asia Pacific Vitreo-Retina Society (APVRS) will be held in Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia on August 28 - 30, 2026 at the Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre, in conjunction with the RANZCO Queensland Branch Annual Scientific Meeting.**

Dedicated to advancing the frontiers of ophthalmology and vitreo-retina science, the APVRS organizes its annual congress to provide a platform for retina specialists to meet and exchange knowledge and best practices in patient care, clinical and basic science, research, and education. The 19th APVRS Congress is anticipated to bring together **2,500 delegates** and more than **100 - 200 top-notch speakers** from around the world.

As one of the most important meetings in the Asia-Pacific region and beyond, the APVRS annual congress promises to deliver a high-quality program comprising keynote lectures, plenary sessions, and symposia, offering delegates a unique opportunity to keep abreast of the latest advances in this rapidly changing and expanding field.

Under the spirit of innovation, collaboration, and excellence in vitreoretinal science, the 19th APVRS 2026 is an excellent opportunity for our industry partners, medical and non-medical alike, to efficiently interact with and have an impact on their target audience. This is likewise the perfect venue to introduce new ideas and technologies as well as reaffirm and strengthen existing ones. Sales during the exhibit are allowed and have actually become an integral part of the convention as many members take this opportunity to purchase new equipment, instruments, and supplies.

**Australia**, officially the Commonwealth of Australia, is a country comprising the mainland of the Australian continent, the island of Tasmania, and numerous smaller islands. Situated in the southern hemisphere, it is known for its stunning beaches, vibrant cities, diverse wildlife, and welcoming multicultural society. The moment visitors set foot on the **Gold Coast**, they cannot help but feel the warm welcome and relaxed energy that is truly unique to this iconic destination. With its world-famous surf beaches, lush hinterland, and blend of modern sophistication and natural beauty, the Gold Coast is quickly becoming a preferred venue for international meetings, incentives, conventions, and exhibitions in the region.

By partnering with the APVRS and RANZCO Queensland Branch for this meeting, you can be assured that your company will be affiliated with the most trusted group of ophthalmic professionals and its most popular and best-attended meeting. Major sponsors are branded and marketed together with the meeting via print, web, and convention paraphernalia. Exhibitors are likewise guaranteed excellent foot traffic and interaction as the industry area is traditionally where our members and guests gather outside the symposia.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee, we invite you to be part of the **19th APVRS Congress**. We would like to invite you to support this important event by taking part in the Sponsorship and Exhibition Packages and enjoy special privileges. Please review the information contained in this Sponsorship and Exhibition Prospectus and select the best suitable package for your organization.



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APVRS 2026 Congress  
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**Asia-Pacific Vitreo-retina Society (APVRS)** was founded in 2006 with the mission to assist in the development of the vitreo-retinal subspecialty in the Asia-Pacific region, to provide a platform for good integration of skills and knowledge of vitreo-retinal specialists, and to promote and disseminate eye care information about vitreo-retinal diseases and related issues to the general public. *Learn more about the APVRS at [www.apvrs.org](http://www.apvrs.org).*



**RANZCO Queensland Branch** represents Fellows and trainees of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists in Queensland. It supports professional education, advocacy, and collegial engagement, delivering branch meetings and scientific events while contributing to national standards, continuing professional development, and improved eye care outcomes across the state.

## Fact Sheet

**Event:** The 19th Congress of the Asia Pacific Vitreo-Retina Society in Conjunction with the 2026 Annual Meeting of RANZCO Queensland Branch

**Date:** August 28 – 30, 2026

**Venue:** Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre

**Organized by:** Asia Pacific Vitreo-Retina Society and RANZCO Queensland Branch

**Official Language:** English

## Central Secretariat

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# Attendance Profile

**The 19th APVRS Congress is expected to bring together more than 2,500 delegates from the region.** With a strong scientific content focusing on novel surgical innovations and therapies, and latest advances in imaging and research, we are confident the congress will draw like-minded ophthalmologists, trainees and researchers to attend.

YEAR	Host Country	Attendance Figure	Number of Countries
2025	Manila, the Philippines	3,548	38
2024	Singapore	2,104	42
2023	Hong Kong	2,041	42
2022	Taipei, Chinese Taipei	1,092	27
2021	Virtual	1,198	47
2020	Cancelled due to pandemic		
2019	Shanghai, China	3,944	44
2018	Seoul, South Korea	1,217	38
2017	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	1,568	36
2016	Bangkok, Thailand	1,658	44
2015	Sydney, Australia	1,063	37
2013	Nagoya, Japan	2,323	33
2012	Hong Kong	1,572	38
2011	Hyderabad, India	800	35

## Congress Objectives

The Congress will highlight key concepts related to the continuous learning and application of new research and technology in the field of retina. It will also emphasize the synergy of different resources and countries, promoting collaboration, and explore the transformation of science and practice in retinal care across the Asia Pacific region. The Congress also aims to provide a comprehensive perspective on the field's dynamic nature, encouraging attendees to engage in collaborative learning, apply new insights, and embrace transformations that will ultimately enhance patient care and research in the Asia-Pacific region.

## Scientific Program

Chaired by Profs. Guy Chen and Paisan Ruamviboonsuk, the scientific program will cover important areas in the field of vitreo-retina. Each invited symposium will be coordinated by two international/Asia-Pacific coordinators and a host coordinator, who are experts in their respective fields. They will work together to develop a world-class scientific program for the congress. Information on the scientific program can be found on the congress website at [2026.apvrs.org/scientific-program/](https://2026.apvrs.org/scientific-program/).

Over the course of the three-day program, the Congress will foster innovative discussions and dialogues through plenary sessions, free paper presentations, poster sessions, and keynote lectures.

# Venue

The 19th APVRS Congress will take place at  
**Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre.**  
**Address: 2684-2690 Gold Coast Hwy, Broadbeach QLD 4218**



At the heart of Broadbeach, the **Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre (GCCEC)** stands as a masterpiece of architectural innovation. Our spaces, designed for a diverse array of events, including national and international conferences, meetings, exhibitions, gala dinners, concerts and sporting events, ensure each experience is executed to perfection, providing each attendee with the best seat in the house. GCCEC is as ground-breaking in design as it is inspiring in its capabilities.

Located only 500 metres from the beach and surrounded by countless accommodation options, GCCEC proudly holds the title of Australia's largest regional convention centre. Our facilities boast a grand main arena, four exhibition halls, numerous meeting rooms and inviting outdoor spaces that embrace the Gold Coast's beautiful climate. As the preferred venue for a wide variety of events, GCCEC is where unforgettable memories are curated and lasting impressions are made.



# Important Dates

Please mark your calendar on the following dates:

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>DATE</b>
<b>Abstract Submission Opens</b>	January 16, 2026
<b>Early Bird Registration Opens</b>	January 16, 2026
<b>Abstract Submission Deadline</b>	March 31, 2026
<b>Early Bird Registration Deadline</b>	June 1, 2026
<b>Advance Registration Deadline</b>	July 23, 2026
<b>Onsite Registration Counter Opens</b>	August 27, 2026
<b>Opening Ceremony Featuring APVRS Tano Lecture and International Award Lecture</b>	August 28, 2026
<b>Presidential Dinner (By invitation only)</b>	August 28, 2026
<b>Young Ophthalmologists (YO) Night</b>	August 28, 2026
<b>Women in Ophthalmologists (WIO)</b>	August 29, 2026
<b>Constable and Dennis Lam Lectures</b>	August 29, 2026
<b>Gala Dinner</b>	August 29, 2026

## Website

The 18th APVRS Congress website contains comprehensive information on the Congress and will be updated regularly.

**Please visit the website [2026.apvrs.org](https://2026.apvrs.org) periodically for the latest update.**

# Sponsorship Opportunities

The 19th APVRS Congress will provide sponsors with exposure and access to delegates who have the capacity to influence the selection of products and services within their organization. The congress also provide sponsors with the opportunity to demonstrate support and commitment to the field of vitreo-retina and general ophthalmology while our sponsorship program will extend your visibility beyond the exhibition hall to achieve maximum exposure at the congress.

We offer a wide range of sponsorship opportunities such as tiered sponsorship packages and individual items for this year's Congress.

## Benefits & Acknowledgments

**It is the express intention of the Congress Organizing Committee to ensure that package sponsors will receive the highest recognition in return for their generous support.**

### **General benefits will include:**

- Company name and logo on sponsored item(s)
- Acknowledgment in promotional materials
- Acknowledgment on the congress website
- Company name and logo on sponsors' acknowledgment boards, which will be prominently displayed at the congress venue
- Priority choice of exhibition space
- Use of congress logo on company communications relating to the 19th APVRS Congress

# Sponsorship Packages

There are six major sponsorship packages available:  
**Diamond, Platinum, Gold, Silver, Bronze and Copper.**

Each sponsorship tier is entitled to different levels of exposure and acknowledgments.

<b>BENEFIT CATEGORY</b> <i>Price in Australian dollars and include GST</i>	<b>Diamond \$260,000</b>	<b>Platinum \$180,000</b>	<b>Gold \$135,000</b>	<b>Silver \$85,000</b>	<b>Bronze \$55,000</b>	<b>Copper \$43,000</b>
<b>Opportunities</b>	2	2	6	Limited	Limited	Limited
<b>Exhibition Space/ Booth</b>	Prime open-type booth (100 sqm) 10x10	Prime open-type booth (80 sqm) 10x8	Prime open-type booth (54sqm) 6x9"	Prime open-type booth (36 sqm) 6x6"	Prime open-type booth (30 sqm) 6x5	Prime open-type booth (24 sqm) 6x4
<b>Meeting Areas</b>	Meeting room/ suite for 15 pax	Meeting room/ suite for 15 pax	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Hosted Symposia/ Sessions*</b>	·2 symposia ·60 min ·400 pax	·1 symposium ·60 min ·400 pax	·1 symposium ·60 min ·200 pax	·1 symposium ·60 min ·200 pax	·1 symposium ·60 min ·200 pax	·1 symposium (day 3 only) ·60 min 200 pax
<b>Exclusive Branding*</b> <i>select one of the below:</i> ·Lanyard ·Registration kiosks ·Networking lounge ·Poster area ·Speakers' prep room	Priority selection	Next priority selection	Next priority selection	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Signage &amp; Onsite Branding*</b>	·Logo on all main congress signs ·Pillar wrap ·Floor decals ·Logo on floorplan	·Logo on all main congress signs ·Logo on floorplan	·Logo on all main congress signs ·Logo on floorplan	·Logo on all main congress signs ·Logo on floorplan	·Logo on all main congress signs	·Logo on all main congress signs
<b>Welcome Address (3 mins)</b>	Opening plenary	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Verbal Acknowledgement by chair</b>	Opening plenary	Opening plenary	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Video Advertisement</b>	·60 sec video on loop in high-traffic area ·30 sec at the start of all sessions	·60 sec video on loop in high-traffic area ·15 sec at the start of all sessions	·30 sec video on loop in high-traffic area ·10 sec at the start of all sessions	·30 sec video on loop in high-traffic area	·15 sec video on loop in high-traffic area	·15 sec video on loop in high-traffic area

*Price in Australian dollars, includes GST.*

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<b>Website, Congress EDMs &amp; App</b> <i>Includes:</i> • Logo with link (website & app) • Logo on sponsor & home page • Profile in app • PLUS	• 1 app banner • 3 EDM advertisement banners • 3 push notifications • Virtual insert in final delegate email (up to 5 pages)	• 2 EDM banners • 3 push notifications • Virtual insert in final delegate email (up to 3 pages)	• 2 EDM banners • 2 push notifications • Virtual insert in final delegate email (up to 2 pages)	• 1 EDM banner • 1 push notification • Virtual insert in final delegate email (up to 2 pages)	• 1 EDM banner • 1 push notification • Virtual insert in final delegate email (up to 1 page)	• 1 EDM banner • 1 push notification
<b>Email/Newsletter Acknowledgement</b>	• 2 sponsor-branded emails to consenting delegates (subject to timing) • Acknowledgement in monthly e-newsletter	• 1 sponsor-branded email to consenting delegates (subject to timing) • Acknowledgement in monthly e-newsletter	• 1 sponsor-branded email to consenting delegates (subject to timing) • Acknowledgement in monthly e-newsletter	• 1 sponsor-branded email to consenting delegates (subject to timing) • Acknowledgement in monthly e-newsletter	• Acknowledgement in monthly e-newsletter	• Acknowledgement in monthly e-newsletter
<b>Social Media Posts</b>	• 3 sponsor-branded posts on APVRS Facebook • Social media mention on APVRS channels (LinkedIn)	• 3 sponsor-branded posts on APVRS Facebook	• 2 sponsor-branded posts on APVRS Facebook	• 1 sponsor-branded post on APVRS Facebook	N/A	N/A
<b>Registrations</b>	25 Full congress registrations + 25 Exhibitor passes	25 Full congress registrations + 25 Exhibitor passes	20 Full congress registrations + 20 Exhibitor passes	15 Full congress registrations + 15 Exhibitor passes	10 Full Congress registrations + 10 Exhibitor passes	8 Full Congress registrations + 8 Exhibitor passes
<b>Presidential Dinner Tickets</b>	2	2	2	1	1	1
<b>Gala Dinner Tickets</b>	5	5	5	3	3	3
<b>Discounts on peripheral items*</b>	20% discount	20% discount	20% discount	15% discount	10% discount	10% discount
<b>Delegate List</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A

*\*more details on peripheral items.*

*Price in Australian dollars, includes GST.*

# Standard Exhibition Packages

## SHELL SCHEME BOOTH 3M X 3M

**EARLY BIRD PRICE:** \$11,350 (Valid until 29 May 2026)

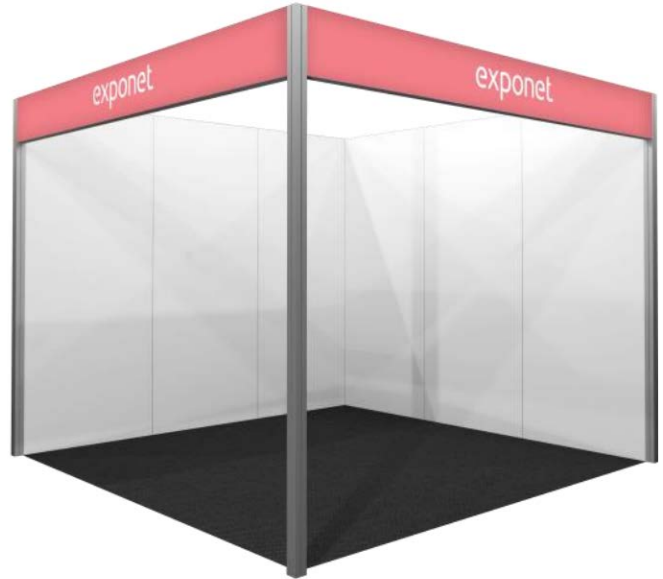
**STANDARD PRICE:** \$12,650

*Price in Australian dollars, includes GST.*

The standard exhibition package includes 2 exhibitor passes, including exhibition hall and daily catering access.

**PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:**

- Shell scheme and walling
- Fascia signage
- 1 × standard power outlet
- 1 × standard armlight
- Logo with link on the website and app
- Profile in the conference app
- Delegate list (provided in accordance with the privacy policy)



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## SHELL SCHEME BOOTH 3M X 2M

**EARLY BIRD PRICE:** \$7,600 (Valid until 29 May 2026)

**STANDARD PRICE:** \$8,500

*Price in Australian dollars, includes GST.*

The standard exhibition package includes 2 exhibitor passes, including exhibition hall and daily catering access.

**PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:**

- Shell scheme and walling
- Fascia signage
- 1 × standard power outlet
- 1 × standard armlight
- Logo with link on the website and app
- Profile in the conference app
- Delegate list (provided in accordance with the privacy policy)

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Purchasing additional booths is available and will be charged at the multiplied booth rate.

# Peripheral Items

Make a bigger impact and take your engagement further at APVRS!

Choose from the add-on opportunities below to boost visibility, available as package activations or standalone opportunities.

ITEM	DETAILS	PRICE (AUD, incl. GST)
<b>A. SPONSORED PROGRAMS</b>		
A1 HOSTED SYMPOSIA/SESSIONS 400 pax   60 minutes	Sponsors will have the opportunity to hold a lunch/breakfast symposium in a lecture hall with a seating capacity of 400. The exact schedule will be assigned by the organisers. Food and beverages are to be provided at additional expense to the sponsor.	47,000
A2 HOSTED SYMPOSIA/SESSIONS 200 pax   60 minutes	Sponsors will have the opportunity to hold a lunch/breakfast symposium in a lecture hall with a seating capacity of 200. The exact schedule will be assigned by the organisers. Food and beverages are to be provided at the sponsor's own expense.	16,000
A4 INDUSTRIAL PRESENTATION STAGE One 20-minute slot	During break times in the Exhibition Hall. The exact schedule will be assigned by the organisers, who will endeavour to accommodate sponsors' preferences where possible. One display monitor, audio system, and microphones will be provided.	6,600
<b>B. OTHERS</b>		
B1 PROF. YASUO TANO TRAVEL GRANT	The sponsor will be acknowledged in the web-based Travel Grant application system. Grant recipients will be informed of the funding source. The grant will be named 'APVRS – [Company] Prof. Yasuo Tano Travel Grant'.	31,000
B2 SPEAKER READY ROOM	Sole sponsorship. The sponsor's logo will be displayed alongside the congress logo on all room laptops and within the room. Additional branded comforts for speaker may be arranged at the sponsor's expense (subject to availability)	13,500
B3 ELECTRONIC PLATFORM FOR VIDEO AND POSTER	Designated area in the congress venue for electronic display of videos and posters — a key feature providing networking and learning opportunities. Sponsor advertisements will be displayed on the platform, with acknowledgement in the Final Pocket-Sized Program Book.	1,500 per 10 seconds
B4 EXECUTIVE LOUNGE	Sole sponsorship. The sponsor's logo will be displayed on coffee tables and other prominent areas in the lounge, where complimentary coffee and light refreshments will be served to VIPs. Refreshments, beverages and additional branded comforts may be arranged at the sponsor's expense (subject to availability).	16,500
B5 COFFEE BREAK	Opportunity to sponsor two 30-minute inter-session coffee breaks (mid-morning and afternoon) at designated stations. The exact schedule will be assigned by the organisers. Signage featuring the sponsor's logo will be displayed during the breaks. Light refreshments and beverages are included.	15,500
B6 GALA DINNER (Evening of Day 2: Saturday, August 29, 2026)	Support for this prestigious event open to all delegates. The sponsor's logo will appear on the backdrop, banners, and signage as appropriate. A sponsor representative will be invited to deliver a 2-minute speech. VIP experience add-ons for invited guests are available at cost.	Negotiable
B7 ADVERTISEMENT PRIOR TO GALA DINNER	Advertisements shown on projection screens at the venue to enhance visibility before the Gala Dinner. Sponsors must provide the final video/artwork file.	1,000 per 10 seconds

# Peripheral Items

ITEM	SPEC	PRICE (AUD, incl. GST)
B8 WIO COCKTAIL RECEPTION (Evening of day 2, Saturday August 29, 2026; before gala dinner)	Sole sponsorship of this event for female ophthalmologists attending the congress, featuring speakers on topics such as dreams, business strategies, leadership, and professional growth.	Negotiable
B9 YOUNG OPHTHALMOLOGISTS (YO) NIGHT (Evening of day 0, Friday, August 28, 2026)	Sole sponsorship of this event for young ophthalmologists (YO), APVRS leaders, Council Members, YO symposium coordinators, and invited speakers.	Negotiable
B10 ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY	Sponsorship of an engagement activity in the exhibition hall such as the virtual cricket experience.	Price on application
<b>C. DIGITAL ADVERTISEMENT</b>		
C1 BREAKTIME VIDEO ADVERTISEMENT	Pre-recorded video shown during break times while delegates await the next session (10 seconds per slot). The exact schedule will be assigned by the organisers. Sponsors must provide the final video file.	1,000 per slot
C2 BANNER ADVERTISEMENT ON CONGRESS WEBSITE	Banner placement on the official congress website to maximise brand exposure. Sponsors must provide the final artwork file.	7,800
C3 PUSH NOTIFICATION Twice during pre-congress (July 1 – August 27, 2026) Twice during congress (August 28–30, 2026)	Promotion of sponsored sessions and reminders via the congress mobile app and website (maximum six per sponsor during pre-congress and congress periods). Schedule assigned by organisers; content provided by sponsor and subject to committee approval.	4,700
C4 POP-UP ADVERTISEMENT	Pop-up on the congress mobile app on dates chosen by the sponsor (subject to committee approval; maximum four per sponsor). Sponsors must provide the final artwork file.	3,200 (per pop-up)
C5 ADVERTISEMENT IN FINAL E-PROGRAM BOOK	Full-page advertisement.	1,700
C6 VIRTUAL SACHEL INSERTS IN FINAL DELEGATE EMAIL	1 product catalogue (A4 pages)	1,600
<b>D. VENUE BRANDING SPACE</b>		
	Various options available including: • Pillar Wraps (Circular and Rectangular) • Foyer Banners (Foyers A–G and Hall Foyers)	Pricing on application
<b>E. ONSITE ADVERTISEMENT</b>		
E1 ADVERTISEMENT IN FINAL POCKET-SIZED PROGRAM BOOK (A5)	Full page advertisement	1,700
	Half page advertisement	1,200
E2 WIRELESS NETWORK PROVISION	Branded venue Wi-Fi, including sponsor logo on signage, with option to customise Wi-Fi password.	17,500 per day
E3 LANYARDS	For all delegates. Sole sponsor logo printed alongside congress and organiser logos on lanyards distributed to all attendees (production cost included).	32,000

## How to apply

To apply for sponsorship and exhibition, please complete the application form [HERE](#)

For any enquiries regarding the prospectus and sponsorship opportunities, please contact:

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# APVRS 2026 Congress Sponsorship & Exhibition Terms and Conditions

The term “Congress Organiser” refers to Think Business Events Pty Ltd and includes associations, corporate and government bodies who have engaged Think Business Events as their representative.

The term “Exhibitor” includes any person, firm, company or corporation and its employees and agents identified in the Application Form or other written request for exhibition space.

Goods and Services Tax (GST) at 10% is applicable to all goods and services offered by the Congress. All prices displayed in the Sponsorship Prospectus are in Australian Dollars and exclude GST unless otherwise stated.

1. A completed online Application Form is required to allocate sponsorship and exhibition booth/s. Acceptance of sponsorship and exhibition offers is at the discretion of the APVRS 2026 Organising Committee.
2. Exhibition space will be allocated on a firstcome, firstserved basis, taking into consideration factors such as booth size, preferences and sponsorship level. Allocations will be as close as possible to the preferred location. Payment does not need to accompany the Application Form.
3. Upon receipt of a completed online Application Form, the Congress Organiser will issue a confirmation email as acknowledgment of receipt. Tax invoices will be provided via the confirmation email.
4. Full payment is due within 30 days from the invoice date. If payment is not received, the space may be released for sale to another organisation. No exhibitor may occupy allocated exhibition space until all monies owing are paid in full unless prior written approval is granted.
5. All amounts are payable in Australian Dollars. Full payment must be made payable to “Think Business Events ITF APVRS 2026” and must include the 10% GST component and any applicable international transfer fees.
6. **Cancellation Policy:** In the event of cancellation by the sponsor/exhibitor due to unforeseen reasons or circumstances beyond reasonable control (including but not limited to acts of terrorism, war, acts of God, natural disaster or global health crises), written notice must be submitted to the Congress Organiser.
  - o A 75% refund will apply for cancellations received on or before 29 May 2026.
  - o A 50% refund will apply for cancellations received on or before 26 June 2026 (approximately two months prior to the Congress).
  - o No refunds will be provided after 26 June 2026 or for change of mind.
  - o Any reduction to a confirmed sponsorship or exhibition package will be treated as a cancellation.

7. In the event of cancellation or postponement of the Congress due to circumstances beyond the reasonable control of APVRS or Think Business Events, neither party shall be held responsible for any costs, damages or expenses incurred by sponsors or exhibitors.
8. In the event the APVRS 2026 Congress is converted to a fully virtual or hybrid format, cancelled or postponed due to circumstances beyond reasonable control, the maximum liability of APVRS or Think Business Events will be limited to a refund of the exhibition or sponsorship fee less a 10% administration fee. No liability will be accepted for travel, accommodation or other related expenses. Sponsors and exhibitors may be offered a virtual sponsorship alternative where applicable.
9. Sponsors and exhibitors are not permitted to assign, sublet or apportion the whole or any part of their package or booked space without prior written consent from the Congress Organiser.
- 10. Privacy Statement:** To assist with participation, sponsor and exhibitor details may be shared with suppliers and contractors and included in participant lists or information distribution relating to this and other events organised by Think Business Events Pty Ltd. If you object to your details being shared, please notify the Congress Organiser in writing.
11. No discounts will be provided for entitlements not used. Sponsor and exhibitor registrations not redeemed by the published deadline will be forfeited. Registrations made after this date may be charged at the applicable additional sponsor/exhibitor registration rate regardless of entitlement.
12. Official contractors will be appointed by the Congress Organiser to undertake stand construction, freight forwarding and the supply of furniture, electrical and IT services for insurance and security purposes.

## THE CONGRESS ORGANISER

1. Reserves the right, in unforeseen circumstances, to amend or alter the exact site or location of the stand. The exhibitor agrees to accept any alteration to the site or space reallocated by the Congress Organiser.
2. Reserves the right to change the exhibition floor layout if necessary.
3. May shorten or lengthen the duration of the exhibition and alter the hours during which the exhibition is open.
4. Agrees to provide the exhibitor with an Exhibitor Manual prior to the exhibition for the purpose of communicating required actions on the part of the exhibitor.
5. Reserves the right to refuse entry to the exhibition to any person, including exhibitor staff, representatives, visitors, contractors and/or agents, who do not hold a valid Congress name badge.
6. Will specify conditions relating to the movement of goods and displays prior to, during and after the exhibition.
7. Will arrange onsite security during the period of the exhibition but accepts no liability for loss or damage.
8. Will not be liable for, nor make any guarantee regarding, the number of visitors to the exhibition or the level of commercial activity generated.
9. Agrees to promote the exhibition to maximise participation.

## THE EXHIBITOR

1. Must comply with all directions and requests issued by the Congress Organiser, including those outlined in the Exhibitor Manual.
2. Must not display an exhibit in such a manner as to obstruct or adversely affect neighbouring exhibitors. This includes blocking light, projecting into aisles, or encroaching on neighbouring exhibition spaces.
3. Agrees to adhere to all **APVRS 2026 Congress** and venue rules and regulations.
4. Acknowledges that the Congress Organiser has a preferred freight forwarder and agrees to comply with all instructions relating to delivery times. If an alternative freight forwarder is engaged, the exhibitor acknowledges that the Congress Organiser will not be able to assist in tracking lost deliveries. The exhibitor agrees that the Congress Organiser will not be liable for any goods rejected by the venue, or lost or damaged prior to the specified delivery date.
5. Must provide a valid Insurance Certificate of Currency covering the period of the exhibition, to be submitted to the Congress Organiser no later than two months prior to the commencement of the Congress.
6. Must submit plans and visuals of any customdesigned exhibits to the Congress Organiser at least two months prior to the Congress. Exhibitors who fail to do so may be denied access to build their stand or may be required to cease construction.
7. Must not display, promote, sell or distribute products or medications that have not been approved for registration in Australia by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA). The Congress Organiser reserves the right to remove the exhibit and personnel in such circumstances. Proof of TGA compliance must be provided upon request.
8. Must observe the requirements and Codes of Practice of the Medical Technology Association of Australia (MTAA) available at [www.mtaa.org.au](http://www.mtaa.org.au). This applies to both members and nonmembers. APVRS expects all sponsors and exhibitors to familiarise themselves with and comply with these Codes.
9. Must observe the Medicines Australia Code of Conduct and associated guidelines available at [www.medicinesaustralia.com.au](http://www.medicinesaustralia.com.au). This applies to both members and nonmembers. APVRS expects compliance with these requirements.
10. Sponsors or exhibitors not operating within the pharmaceutical, medical or device sectors are expected to comply with an appropriate Code of Conduct aligned with their own industry or peak body.
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