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## SECURE TICKETS NOW FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROWTH FORUM

Tickets are now available for the Wide Bay Burnett region's premier full-day economic development conference to be hosted by the three levels of government in Maryborough on Thursday 9 November 2017.

The fourth annual Wide Bay Burnett Regional Economic Development Growth Forum unites business, industry and political leaders to showcase the region's achievements with a focus on innovation, export and emerging opportunities.

This year's forum, to be held at the Brolga Theatre, is expected to attract 300 stakeholders.

It will feature keynote addresses from projects of regional significance, a panel discussion by mayors from Gympie, Fraser Coast, Bundaberg, North and South Burnett regional councils and a session highlighting expansion and innovation achievements by local businesses.

Wide Bay Burnett Regional Organisation of Councils Chair Mick Curran said the annual forum was the best opportunity to hear from business and community leaders on progress across the region.

"I encourage anybody in business to make the time to attend this forum which highlights collaboration between key regional economic development partners, councils, state and federal governments - working to strengthen and profile the Wide Bay Burnett", Cr Curran said.

"Best of all the event is free and securing a ticket is as simple as registering online to Eventbrite".

Regional Development Australia Wide Bay Burnett Chair Bill Trevor said the forum was also an opportunity to receive updates on government funding opportunities and gain an insight into pending major infrastructure investment.

"Our region is on the cusp of major investment and expansion and the economic growth forum is the place to not only meet the stakeholders but to gain an insight into what is coming to our region in the way of investment and infrastructure", Cr Trevor said.

The forum is jointly hosted by the Wide Bay Burnett Regional Organisation of Councils, Queensland Department of State Development and Regional Development Australia Wide Bay Burnett.

The forum, from 9.30am to 3pm on Thursday 9 November includes a free networking lunch.

To keep updated on the agenda like the Facebook page Wide Bay Burnett Regional Economic Development Forum.

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