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The Future of Water in the Territory ACT Water Leader's Dinner

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The Australian Water Association (AWA) is hosting its annual Water leaders Dinner in Canberra on Thursday, 5 September.

This event has been organised to increase both industry and public understanding of issues around water, including supply and demand and water quality.

AWA ACT Branch President, Adrian Piani, said that as the largest urban development in the Murray-Darling Basin, the ACT is uniquely placed.

"In the ACT we have water demand, water quality and water management pressures directly associated with an increasing population and an expanding urban landscape. Water quality in particular, is a key to the sustainability and liveability of our cities and communities.

"Now is the time to open-up public discussion and debate as these problems require unique solutions stemming from informed discussion," Mr Piani said.

CEO of the Office of Living Victoria, Mr Mike Waller, will be the guest speaker for the evening. Mr Waller will speak on Victoria's integrated water cycle management transformation over the last few years. He will describe Victoria's new strategic approach and explain how this aims to provide better outcomes for communities, and more secure and affordable water services.

The ACT will potentially follow a similar path to Victoria in its changes to water management and Mr Waller will provide valuable insight into what we might expect here in the Territory over the coming years.

There are still some seats available for this ticketed event, so please join us for an evening of challenging discussion, fine food, wine, company and networking at a gathering of ACT business, industry and community leaders.

Bookings can be made at www.awa.asn.au/act-leaders-dinner2013

