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# The Season's Essentials Seminar

Your Guide to Managing 2024's Financial Risks and Seasonal Forecast

We are thrilled to extend an invitation to you for our upcoming seminar.

This event presents a unique opportunity for **growers and the Ag industry** to engage in enriching discussions and gain invaluable insights for the season ahead.

Our special guests will be talking about how the 2024 season is lining up, discussing topics such as the **seasonal forecast, economic landscape, insurance tools for managing financial risk**, and an **interactive panel session** that brings these topics together so you can manage your risk effectively.

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**Wednesday, 13th March 2024**

**1:30 PM – 3:00 PM AEST**



**Queensland College of Wine Tourism  
Stanthorpe QLD or [Attend Online](#)**

22 Caves Rd, Stanthorpe QLD 4380

A light lunch will be served at 1:00 pm as well as a chance to **connect** over a few drinks and local wines after 3pm.

## Keynote Speakers & Topics



**Wim Linstrom**

*Node Manager Stanthorpe*

Topic: The progress and successes of the SQNNSW Innovation Hub Stanthorpe Node.



**Jonathan Barratt**

*CEO of CelsiusPro Australia*

Topic: Recent approaches in hedging risk using Parametric Insurance.



**Alister Hawksford**

*Interim Stakeholder Engagement Manager  
Flood Warning Infrastructure Network Program*

Topic: What to expect for 2024's Seasonal Forecast.



**Prof. Shahbaz Mushtaq**

*Prof. of Agricultural Economics and Climate Finance*

Topic: The research behind Parametric Insurance Products.



**Andrew Edwards**

*Senior Markets Manager at NAB*

Topic: What the future holds for interest rates and the AUD.



**Russell Mehmet**

*Account Director Risk and Broking*

Topic: Innovation in the accessibility of Parametric Insurance.

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