



ABU GLOBAL NEWS FORUM - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Dear Delegates,

We are delighted to welcome you to the 2026 Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU) Global News Forum (GNF) from 2 to 4 September and look forward to having you in Sydney, Australia on the lands of the Gadigal people of the Eora Nation. We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which our event takes place and we pay our respects to Elders past and present.

Please find below some important information to assist you during your stay.

1. WEATHER

Please note that the weather during this time of year in Sydney can be cold in the early morning and evenings. The average temperature in early September is between 9 degrees celsius overnight to 19 degrees celsius during the day.

2. GETTING AROUND SYDNEY

Sydney is a global city and well-connected by public transport, which is clean and safe to use. Public transport in Sydney works on a cashless system and requires tapping on and off with an [Opal card](#) that can be purchased from supermarkets and convenience stores or a standard bank credit/debit card.

By Train

Trains run from the Sydney International terminal every day from 5am to midnight into the CBD. The train station is located underneath the terminal.

The ABC Ultimo office is a 10-minute walk from Central Station.

By Rideshare

Uber or Didi are readily available via their respective apps.

By Taxi

- 13Cabs takes online bookings via the website here, or by phone on (+61) 13 22 27
- Executive Cabs takes online bookings via the website here, or by phone on (+61) 1300 414 248
- Silver Service takes online bookings via the website here, or by phone on (+61) 133 100

By Ferry

Ferries operate frequently from Circular Quay to suburbs such as Manly, Balmain, and Mosman.

By Light Rail (tram)

Sydney's light rail system connects the CBD, Eastern and Inner West suburbs. The CBD light rail line runs from Central Station down the main shopping street, down to Circular Quay.

3. LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

We have provided a list of local attractions, should you wish to explore nearby areas of Sydney city during your stay.

Sydney Opera House

As one of the world's most recognizable buildings and a UNESCO World Heritage-listed landmark, the Sydney Opera House sits on the edge of the city's harbour. The iconic sail design architecture can be enjoyed with magnificent harbour views from the forecourt, along Circular Quay and around Bennelong Point.

Sydney Harbour Bridge

Sydney Harbour Bridge has a pedestrian walkway that can be accessed from the Cumberland Street steps in The Rocks. It is a free 1.4km walk across the bridge to Milsons Point and provides scenic views of the harbour.

Barangaroo Reserve

Located on the harbour and a 1.6km walk from Wynard Station in the CBD, Barangaroo Reserve is home to 75,000 native trees and rolling green space, featuring a network of walking trails, free public artworks and Aboriginal cultural tours.

Royal Botanic Gardens

Sydney's Royal Botanic Gardens are a green oasis in the heart of the city with an extensive collection of plants from Australia and overseas. The gardens feature beautiful harbour views and are located next to the Sydney Opera House.

Bondi to Coogee Walk

This beautiful coastal walk is 6km each way from Bondi Beach to Coogee Beach. The walk is suitable for most ages and fitness levels and has magnificent ocean views along the coast, however there are some steep sections of stairs. Allow around 2-3 hours one way.

4. FURTHER AFIELD

If you're able to take time off on either side of the ABU Global News Forum, we remind you that distances are huge in Australia. Travelling to the Great Barrier Reef in Queensland or to Central Australia to see Uluru is an approximately three-hour flight.

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