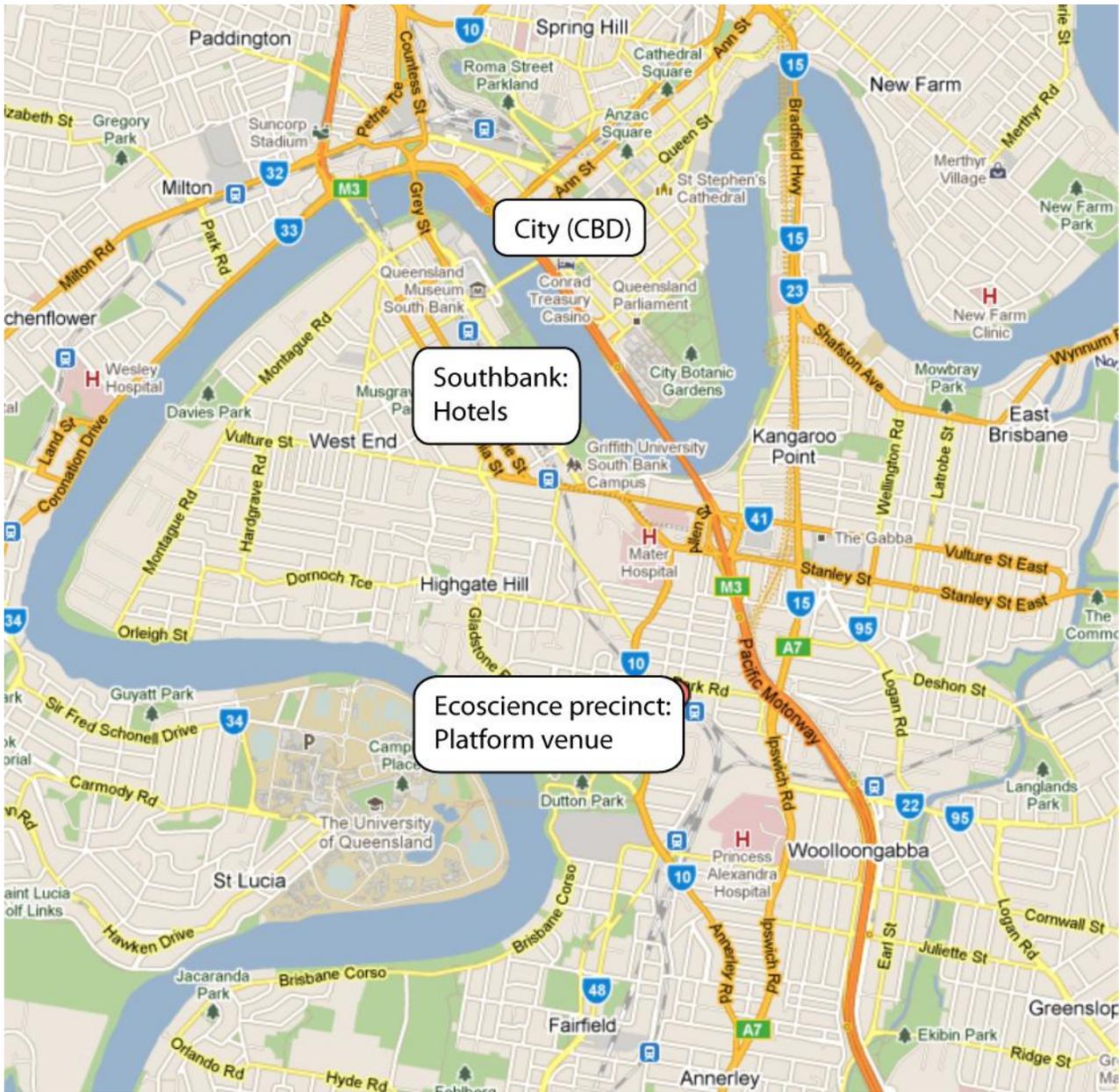


# PACE-Net: First Platform and Thematic Workshops

4–7 July 2011, Brisbane, Australia



Transport	Stop	Lines
Train	Park road station	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gold coast/Robina line (yellow)</li> <li>• Cleveland line (purple)</li> <li>• Beenleigh line (red)</li> </ul>
Bus	Boggo Road stop	Busway, line 109
Car	Only very limited parking is available at the precinct	Boggo Road, Dutton Park (off Annerley Rd)

## The Venue

The platform will be held at the new Ecosciences Precinct on Boggo road. This research facility was recently opened (April 2011) and is located between the University of Queensland and the Princess Alexandra Hospital.

This facility was created by the Queensland Government. The precinct brings together over 1,000 researchers and staff from Queensland research agencies and the CSIRO. The Ecosciences Precinct will be a science "centre of excellence" and contribute to Queensland's growing reputation for scientific research and innovation. This critical mass of scientists will also provide the opportunity for Queensland to export sustainability knowledge and services to the Asia-Pacific region.



## Accommodation

**Southbank.** Southbank is just opposite Brisbane's Central Business District (CBD). Southbank is on the bus and train lines going to the airport and to the Ecoscience precinct. It is also a very nice food, arts, and entertainment area in Brisbane and situated right on the River.

- Diana Plaza Hotel **Brisbane Hotel** (12 Annerley Road), AUD120.00–160.00  
<http://www.dianaplaza.com.au/>
- Sapphire Resort (5 Brereton Street), AUD110.00  
<http://www.sapphireresort.com.au/>
- Mantra South Bank Brisbane (161 Grey Street), AUD200.00–300.00  
<http://www.mantra.com.au/>
- Rydges South Bank Brisbane Hotel (9 Glenelg Street), AUD340.00–390.00  
<http://www.rydges.com/>

**CBD.** Accommodation near Queen Street will be easier to access.

- **Ibis Brisbane** (27–35 Turbot Street), AUD160.00  
<http://www.ibishotel.com/gb/hotel-2062-ibis-brisbane/>
- **Mercure Brisbane** (85 North Quay), AUD205.00  
<http://www.mercurebrisbane.com.au/>

- **Chifley at Lennons** (66 Queen Street), AUD230.00  
<http://www.chifleyhotels.com.au/brisbane/chifley-hotel-at-lennons/>

**Dutton Park.** Closer to the venue, accommodation will be cheaper but will only be available near the hospital.

- **Hotel Chino** (19 O'Keefe Street), AUD135.00–AUD190.00  
<http://www.hotelchino.com.au/>

To book hotels near Southbank or elsewhere, the following website offers very good rates (select, Australia/Brisbane/South Brisbane): <http://www.wotif.com/>

## Transport

### Airport (Domestic or International Terminals)

- **Airtrain:** this train operates from/to the airport from 6:00am to 8:00pm and costs AUD15.00 (AUD28.00 return). Tickets can be purchased at the airport train station or in the main stations in the city. Please check exact departure time if your transit is needed early in the morning or just before/after 8:00pm. <http://www.airtrain.com.au/>  
All trains departing from the airport go to the city (central station), but only some of them will stop at the South Bank or Park Road stations.  
Duration: 20–30 min
- **Taxi:** a cab ride from the airport to/from the city may cost between AUD30.00 and AUD40.00. Duration: 20–30min (but can be much more in peak time)

### From Hotels

- **South Bank:** by train from South Bank station or by bus line 109 – South Bank or Mater Hill stops.
- **CBD:** from central train station (Ann Street), or by bus line 109 – stop 16 on Adelaide Street between North Quay and George Street.
- **Dutton Park:** train/bus stops before/after the Ecoscience precinct, or a 15–20 min walk by crossing the railway line at the Park road station.

## Miscellaneous

- July is the first month of winter in Australia. Brisbane has a humid subtropical climate with an average temperature's range of 10–22°C in July, this month is the driest of the year and is usually windy.
- Exchange rate in the past year was at about 1 AUD = 0.70–0.75 Euros (1 Euro = 1.35–1.40 AUD).