

# Learning & Professional Development Update

## Upcoming Sydney Mediation Training Courses

Our course is designed for people who wish to become mediators, who are involved in, or organise, mediation processes in the workplace and the community or who wish to have a greater understanding of the skills involved in mediation.

Sydney courses in 2015 will take place on:

**13-17 April; 18 - 22 May; 6 - 10 July; 17 – 21 August; 14 – 18 September; 19 – 23 October and 23 – 27 November.**

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## Across Australia & the Pacific

Nationally, we are also providing mediation, accreditation and professional development opportunities in Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Alice Springs, Darwin, Canberra and Melbourne. Please see this Bulletin and the website for full details. In April, we are delighted to be training internationally with our 5 day Mediation Course in Suva, Fiji.

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## Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution Pepperdine School of Law

We were disappointed that due to unforeseen circumstances, our March Pepperdine professional development course needed to be postponed. However, the very good news for registrants and all those who were not able attend in March; we have been able to reschedule with Pepperdine to hold the course in October 2015. Keep an eye out for early registration details.

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## Mediation and Conflict Resolution Courses Early 2015

Our 2015 training year started in February with the completion of another successful 5 day Mediation Training Course. Participants came from a broad range of industries including community relations, manufacturing, the legal profession and government. We also had participants travelling in from Newcastle and Northern NSW to attend the course for the week.

Several of the participants went on to achieving Accreditation status. We congratulate them and welcome them to the Mediation Community.

ACDC's Conflict Resolution Course is a cornerstone of our conflict capability programme. Participants in our February Course came from diverse industries including the unions, manufacturing and building and construction. They all found the course enlightening and were eager to return to work to use their new found skills. Here's what a few of them had to say.

- Roleplay was a great opportunity to learn how to resolve problems
- The training day reinforced communication frameworks
- The workshop helped me to identify my communication style