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International ADR Sessional School

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Background

The International ADR Sessional School aims to deliver a stimulating, informative and topical program for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) practitioners over five days - 12th to 16th June 2017 - in Sydney. The event will involve ADR practitioners from countries across the Asia-Pacific region.

Renowned ADR speakers will outline current practices. It will also feature a number of practical sessions covering a wide range of topics.

The program will include opportunities to socialise with the other attendees, compare experiences, build your network and speak with professionals and practitioners.

The International ADR Sessional School is a part of the international program of the Australian Disputes Centre (ADC) which dates back to the 1990's with the Centre providing training and development programs across the region.

Since that time, the Centre has been called upon by various institutions and communities to provide a range of dispute resolution services and resources. ADC's work program seeks to advance the promotion of world-class dispute resolution across international borders and deliver programs and services in communities that may otherwise not have the opportunity to access them. Facilitating this exchange between practitioners in Australia and internationally delivers many personal and professional development opportunities for ADR practitioners.



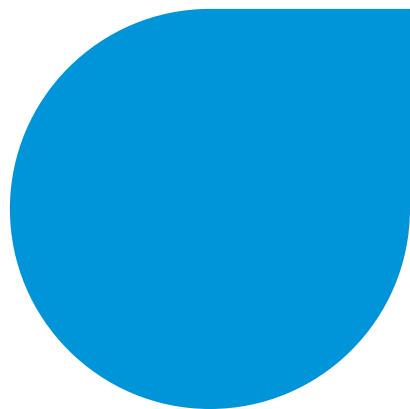
About the Centre

The Australian Disputes Centre is an independent, not-for-profit organisation established in 1986 to advance the practice and quality of alternative dispute resolution services such as mediation, conciliation and arbitration in Australia and internationally with world class facilities located in the heart of Sydney's CBD.

Vivid Sydney

The ADR event in 2017 coincides with the annual celebration of Vivid Sydney - a unique event of light, music and ideas, featuring an outdoor 'gallery' of extraordinary lighting sculptures, a cutting-edge contemporary music program, some of the world's most important creative industry forums and, of course, the spectacular illumination of the Sydney Opera House sails. The multi-award-winning winter festival of light, music and ideas returns in 2017 to illuminate Sydney with exciting new precincts to explore, mesmerising new light art to inspire and plenty of entertainment for everyone.

This spectacular festival is growing into the largest of its kind in the world and our harbour lights cruise will be another worthy factor to consider in joining colleagues in Sydney in June 2017.



Programme

Purpose

Examining the legal and policy frameworks for resolving commercial disputes with particular focus on mediation and international commercial arbitration.

	Monday 12 June 2017	Tuesday 13 June 2017	Wednesday 14 June 2017	Thursday 15 June 2017	Friday 16 June 2017
09:00 - 09:30	Orientation	Breakfast Update	Breakfast Update	Breakfast Update	Breakfast Update
9:30 - 11:00	Effective utilisation of mediation in the resolution of commercial disputes	Introduction to International Commercial Arbitration.	Visit to the UNSW Campus UNCITRAL and Developments in Mediation	Drafting an Effective International Arbitration clause	ADR Exchange
11:00 – 15:00	Personal time	Personal time	Personal time	Personal time	
15:00 - 17:00	Visit to the NSW Supreme Court	Harbour Cruise	Cultural Visit Hyde Park Barracks & NSW Art Gallery		
17:00 - 18:00	Cocktails	VIVID Festival Fellowship Dinner		Cocktails Presentation of Certificates	

Breakfast Update is a short learning activity among participants exchanging ideas on ADR country issues facilitated by an ADR practitioner.

ADR Exchange is a short learning activity among participants exchanging ideas on ADR issues in Australia facilitated by an ADR practitioner

Presentation of Certificates is a culmination of the week's discussion and learning.

Venue

The International ADR Sessional School will be held at the Australian Disputes Centre. The address is Level 16, 1 Castlereagh St, Sydney NSW 2000.

Transportation

The Centre is easily accessible from all parts of Sydney. Visit the NSW Transport trip planner for more information.

Train: the nearest train stations are Martin Place and Wynyard

Taxi: taxi ranks are located within walking distance

Bus: bus services run to the Sydney CBD within walking distance

Ticketing on the Sydney public transport is integrated across most buses, trains and ferries. Depending on how long you're visiting Sydney, you may wish to purchase an Opal Card. During morning and evening peak hours, paying by cash on public transport is not possible.

Accommodation

The International ADR Sessional School will be arranging discounted rates with local hotels in the coming months. However, you will be responsible for booking your accommodation.

You can also check the distance from each accommodation option to the conference venue (1 Castlereagh St, Sydney NSW 2000) by entering the details into Google Maps. This will provide you with both walking and public transport routes.



Registration

Early registration (by 1 March 2017): AU\$990 incl.GST

Standard registration (by 1 May 2017): AU\$1100 incl.GST

Student registration (by 1 April 2016): AU\$750 incl.GST

Registration includes:

- Access to the full program across three days
- Conference folder
- Morning, lunch and afternoon tea/drinks where scheduled
- Ticket to the Harbour Cruise and Dinner on Tuesday 13th June; Tour Ticket

If you would like to purchase an additional ticket to the harbour cruise and dinner, you can do so when registering for the conference.

Travel

The following may help as a guide to Visa requirements. Please ensure to check your specific visa requirements with the Australian Consulate early.

Passport holders of one of the following countries:

Brunei/Darussalam, Canada, Hong Kong, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, South Korea, United States can apply for a visa using Electronic Travel Authority (ETA, subclass 976) online application with immediate approval. No physical forms required.

Passport holders of one of the following countries:

France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Republic of San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland need to apply for an eVisitor visa (subclass 651).

Passport holders of all the other countries will need to apply for Visitor Visa (subclass 600). You will need an invitation letter, which the Centre can provide.

Insurance

Please note that registration fees do not include insurance of any kind. It is strongly recommended that at the time you register for the conference and book your travel you take out an insurance policy of your choice.

Liability

In the event of industrial disruptions or natural disasters, the Australian Disputes Centre cannot accept responsibility for any financial or other losses incurred by delegates. Nor can the Australian Disputes Centre take responsibility for injury or damage to persons or property occurring during the event or associated activities.

Photography

While attending the conference you may be photographed. By registering for the conference you agree to these photographs being used for promotional purposes.

Privacy

Australian Disputes Centre will gather and record personal information necessary for your attendance at the conference. Personal information will be gathered, stored and disseminated in accordance with the National Privacy Principles.

Disclaimer

All details are correct at the time of publication. The Australian Disputes Centre reserves the right to change the program and social functions at any time without notice.

What to do in Sydney

If this is your first visit to Sydney and you are keen to extend your trip a little longer, you're in for a treat! Here's our list of top 3 things to do in Sydney - a little bit touristy and a little bit local.

One: Spend the morning taking in the delights of Bennelong Point: Circular Quay, The Harbour Bridge, The Sydney Opera House, and meander through Sydney's Botanic Gardens.

Two: Markets - Sydney has more than its fair share! We recommend these: Eveleigh Farmers' Markets, Sydney Fish Markets (food and produce), Rozelle Markets & Glebe Markets (flea and second-hand), The Rocks Markets & Paddington Markets (mostly fashion, creative and craft). All are open on Saturdays and some, even Sundays.

Three: Eating and shopping opportunities in Sydney abundant. Timeout Sydney explains all the cool spots to shop and eat around town.

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