

2013 AIAL National Administrative Law Conference

Administrative law in an interconnected world

Thursday 18 and Friday 19 July 2013,
Hotel Realm, 18 National Circuit, Barton, Canberra, ACT

Thursday 18 July 2013

- 12.00pm Registration and arrival tea and coffee
- 1.00pm Welcome
- 1.15pm Plenary Session 1: Opening Address: Administrative justice in an interconnected world**
Professor Lorne Sossin, Dean, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto
- 2.00pm Plenary Session 2: Is technology transforming administrative law?**
Professor John McMillan, Australian Information Commissioner
Steve McCutcheon, Chief Executive Officer, Food Standards Australia and New Zealand
Stuart Westgarth, Chairperson, Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal, NSW
- 3.15pm Afternoon tea
- 3.45pm Concurrent Session 1**
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| Stream 1.1: | Michael Wait, SA Crown Solicitor's Office
<i>The nature of State executive power after the School Chaplains case</i> |
| Stream 1.2: | Tara McNeilly and Jane Lye, Australian Government Solicitor
<i>Identification and the meaning of 'personal information' in Australian and international privacy law</i> |
| Stream 1.3: | Brian Thompson, University of Liverpool
<i>Reviewing the administrative justice system - lessons from Britain</i> |
| Stream 1.4: | Grainne McKeeever, University of Ulster
<i>A ladder of participation for tribunal users</i> |
- 5.00pm Plenary Session 3: National Lecture on Administrative Law**
The Right Honourable Dame Sian Elias, Chief Justice of New Zealand
- 6.00pm Conference drinks**
Venue: Melbourne Room, Hotel Realm
- 7.00 pm Conference dinner, and Centenary of Canberra and administrative law trivia quiz**
Venue: National Ballroom, Hotel Realm

Friday 19 July 2013

8.00am **Registration and arrival tea and coffee**

9.00am **Plenary Session 4: The internationalisation of administrative law**

Denis O'Brien, formerly Principal Member of the Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal

Review on the merits of migration and refugee decisions

Janina Boughey, Monash University

Australia's unreasonable aversion to proportionality

Commentator: **Professor Lorne Sossin**, Dean, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto

10.15am Morning Tea

10.45am **Concurrent Session 2**

Stream 2.1: **Peter Johnston, University of Western Australia**

The incorporation of human rights standards into Australian extradition law

Stream 2.2: **Carolyn Adams, Macquarie University and Judith Allen, University of Western Australia**

Data custodians and decision-making: a right to access government-held databases for research?

Stream 2.3: **Saul Holt SC and Joel Townsend**

Imprisonment for infringement offences: using judicial review and human rights law to protect the vulnerable from modern day debtors prison

Stream 2.4: **Professor Peta Spender, Australian National University and Presidential Member of the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal**

The model litigant rules and procedural justice

11.45 am **Plenary Session 5: Technology**

Mick Batskos, Executive Director, FOI Solutions

The impact of technology on decisions about 'voluminous' FOI requests in Australia and other Jurisdictions

Gabrielle Hurley, Department of Human Services

Privacy by design: delivering government services using mobile applications

George Masri, Acting Deputy Commonwealth Ombudsman

Getting IT right: automated assistance in administrative decision-making

1.00pm Lunch

2.00pm **Plenary Session 6: Access**

Professor Graham Greenleaf, University of New South Wales

Online access to administrative law for the community

Chris Wheeler, Deputy NSW Ombudsman

Open disclosure and apology - time for a unified approach across Australia

3.00pm **Plenary Session 7: Future directions for administrative law in an interconnected world**

The Honourable Justice Duncan Kerr, Chev LH, President of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal and Judge of the Federal Court of Australia

Colin Neave, Commonwealth Ombudsman

Dr Helen Watchirs OAM, ACT Human Rights and Discrimination Commissioner

4.15pm Closing comments

4.30pm Conference close