
REGISTRATION BROCHURE

The 7th National Mediation Conference

Darwin NT

30 June – 2 July 2004



True Talking, Forward Walking



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General Conference Information

On 30 June 2004, the Attorney General will officially open the 7th Bi-annual Mediation Conference in Darwin, Northern Territory. This highlight on the Australasian calendar attracts those at the forefront of dispute resolution and negotiation in Australia and overseas.

Theme

The theme of the 7th National Mediation Conference is **true talking, forward walking**. **True talking**: respectful, inclusive and critical practice in mediation for creative choices in management, planning and dispute resolution. **Forward walking**: determined, collaborative and practical implementation of decisions in the professional and corporate domain.

Building on the 6th National Mediation Conference "Pathways towards dispute management" the 7th National Mediation conference aims to promote conversations and practical action towards national professional standards and accreditation; to provide opportunities for cross fertilization between our expanding fields of practice and to deliver a strong cross-cultural flavor to both.

Who will be there?

Based on the attendance at the previous 6 national conferences, we expect that those attending this program will include key representatives from:

- Courts
- Bankers
- Financial Institutions Community
- Regional and Major Infrastructure sector
- Project Managers
- Lawyers
- Churches
- Law Societies
- Construction and Building sector
- Family mediation and support services
- Australian Defence Forces
- Company Directors & CEO's
- Insurance sector
- Strategic Planners
- Human Resource Managers
- Community Justice Centres
- Community services sector
- Indigenous organisations
- Dispute Resolution services
- Government agencies



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Social Program

Welcome Reception – Pre-Registration

(Tuesday 29 June)

Watch the sun go down over Darwin Harbor from the Speakers Green of the award-winning Parliament House during the Welcome Reception, hosted by the Attorney general of the Northern Territory.



While you are there take the opportunity to register in preparation for the conference the following day.

Wukindi-Rom Ceremony

(Wednesday 30 June, Thursday 1 July and Friday 2 July)

OPTIONAL



Wukindi is pronounced as wookindi. Wukindi-Rom is a ceremony of the Yolgnu Golumala Clan Nation People of East Arnhemland that has been used traditionally for centuries as a conflict resolution and healing process to restore relationships between individuals, groups and clan nations. 'Wukindi-Rom' connotes a place of healing, a sacred place, a place of law. Indigenous Peoples from around Australia and over-seas have their own similar traditional ceremonies for peace-making and conflict resolution. Traditional Elders from other clan nations will join with Yolgnu Golumala Clan Nation Elders in conducting a demonstration of their deeply reflective and ceremonial approach to dispute resolution. They extend an invitation to

conference delegates to bring their own breakfast to the Darwin Esplanade on each morning of the conference and listen to and reflect upon the richness of their wisdom.

For more information please go to www.wukindi.com

Mindil Beach Markets

(Thursday 1 July)

Tantalise your taste buds with food from all corners of the globe at the famous Mindil beach Markets. Make you own selection from the wide variety of market stalls available (own expense), then joins for a drink whilst we witness the most glorious of sunsets.



Ten Thousand Stars Gala Dinner

(Friday 2 July)

Experience the delight of dining under the stars, whilst the light of Darwin tinkle across the bay. Taste the wonderful array of local produce accompanied by the best of Australian wines.

Talking-table Sessions

In the week preceding the conference, the inaugural Wukindi-Rom Cross-Cultural Mediation & Leadership Training Project will have been concluded on Elcho Island, East Arnhemland. Once on each day of the conference, graduates of this joint Yolgnu Golumala Clan Nation / Charles Darwin University project, will facilitate small group discussions among conference delegates. It is hoped that such discussions will be opportunities for delegates to foster appreciation of the breadth & depth of our emerging profession and at the same time provide some informal opportunities for mentoring and collegiality.

Breakout Sessions

Cross Cultural Sector

There will be presentations and workshops concerning family mediation; in an Indigenous context; community based and court referred Indigenous mediation models; issues of power and authority in Indigenous ADR; facilitating regional governance; international perspectives on cross-cultural models; and a colloquium "Mediation applications in the Indigenous context".

Community Sector

There will be presentations and workshops concerning quality and standards in PDR; developments and family mediation; domestic violence and child protection; ADR in schools; Universities and ADR; the "Power of apology" and a National Community Justice Centre colloquium.

Corporate Sector

There will be presentations and workshops concerning extending the application of ADR technologies in the making of business choices; ADR in urban planning; ADR in major infrastructure development; capacity building conflict coaching; workplace conflict and bullying.

Professional Practice

There will be presentations and workshops concerning "Tools for Tool boxes" complaints and ADR; quality ADR Cost benefit analysis; online ADR; International ADR program design; ADR professional attitudes and behaviors.

Rapporteur

Shirli Kirschner

Shirli Kirschner has been a qualified mediator for 12 years and is the principal of Resolve Advisors Pty Ltd, which she established in August 1996. Resolve provides mediation, facilitation and ADR and system design services to a wide client base.

Shirli is on a number of mediator panels including the LEADR Advanced panel, UTS/CDR and LawCover panels. She was on the standby panel for Sydney Ferries for the Sydney Olympic games. Recent mediations include disputes in the wholesale telecommunications market between stakeholder carriers and a partnership disputes within a small (\$8 million turnover) company.

Shirli is the NECA dispute resolution adviser for the National Electricity Market. She is on the editorial panel of the ADR bulletin.



Opening Speakers

Dr Peter Toyne, MLA



Minister for Justice & Attorney General

Dr Peter Toyne MLA has been a member of the legislative assembly since 1996. When the Labor party came to government in 2001 Dr Toyne formed part of the Ministry as Attorney General of the Northern Territory.

Prior to his political career Dr Toyne was principal of Yuendumu Community Education Centre which was responsible for all education programs from pre-school to adult education, promoting the process of Aboriginalisation and resulting in Aboriginal teachers joining the staff.

From 1990 to 1994 he was a Consultant to Government and other agencies in a variety of areas where he is recognised as having developed

expertise including training, community development, telecommunications, water supply, road and other infrastructure development. Dr Toyne completed his Ph D at the la Trobe University in 2000.

As Attorney General he has been instrumental in promoting ADR and in 2003 opened the Northern Territory Justice and Community Centre.

The Hon. John von Doussa - President Human Rights & Equal Opportunities Commission



The Hon. John von Doussa was appointed President of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission on 1 May 2003 for a five year term.

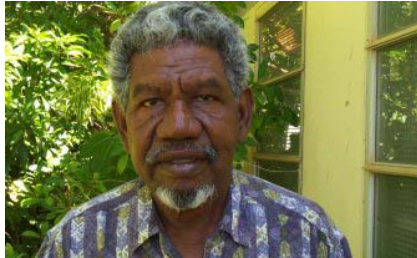
At the time of his appointment he was a Judge of the Federal Court of Australia, an appointment he had held since 1988. He was also the President of the Australia Competition Tribunal, a Presidential Member of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, an Additional Judge of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory, and a Judge of the Industrial Relations Court of Australia. From 1992 until shortly before his appointment he was also a part-time Commissioner of the Australian Law Reform Commission. From 1986 to 1988 he was a Judge of the Supreme Court of South Australia.

Before his appointment as a Judge he was a Queens Counsel practicing mainly in South Australia, and had served terms as the President of the Law Society of South Australia, and Vice-President of the Law Council of Australia.

In South Australia he had a close interest in the organisation and provision of practical legal training for newly qualified graduates in law. At different times he was the chair of advisory committees for the graduate diploma courses in legal practice conducted by the University of South Australia and by the Law Society of South Australia. In 1996 he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of the University of South Australia in recognition of that involvement. He received a Centenary Medal in 2003.

In 1993 he sat as an Acting Judge in the Supreme Court of Vanuatu. In 1997 he became a member of the Court of Appeal of Vanuatu. In 2003 he was appointed a non-resident member of the Supreme Court of Fiji. He continues to hold these appointments.

Rev. Dr. Djiniyini Gondarra AOM - Former member Council Aboriginal Reconciliation



Rev Dr Djiniyini Gondarra OAM has served a long career in the Methodist and Uniting Churches. Ordained in 1976, he was awarded the Order of Australia Medal in 1985. He has held the positions of Director, Reconciliation Australia Limited, Chief Executive Officer Aboriginal Resource and Development Services Inc. & Northern Regional Council of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress.

Rev Djiniyini is currently a member of the Australian Indigenous Cultural Network Steering Committee, Director of Yirrkala Business Enterprises and has been Chairman of the Arnhem Land Progress Association Inc since 1993.

Other Confirmed Contributors

- **Lucie Alliare – Director General Conflict Management Program, Department of National Defence, Canadian Forces of Canada**
- **Nicole Charron-Poggioli - Director Intervention Services, Department of National Defence, Canadian Forces of Canada**
- **Prof Laurence Boulle - Former Chair, National ADR Advisory Council**
- **Prof Michael (Mick) Dodson AM – AIATSIS**
- **Prof Peter Yu - Lingiari Foundation**
- **Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nadja Alexander - Professor of Dispute Resolution Australian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies at the University of Queensland (UQ).**
- **Professor Tania Sourdin BA, LLB, GDLP, LLM, PhD - Professor in Law and Dispute Resolution La Trobe University, Director Conflict Resolution Research Centre**
- **Dr Tom Fisher - La Trobe University**
- **Assoc. Prof. Dr Tom Altobelli - University Western Sydney**
- **Mr Kurt Noble - Queensland of Department of Justice**
- **Captain Helen Marks CSM RAN - Director of Alternative Dispute Resolution and Conflict Management, Australian Defence Organisation**
- **Sue Duncombe & Alan Ogg - Directors, ADR-plus**
- **Mr Graham Neate - President National Native Title Tribunal**
- **Dr Terry Quong - NT Department of Education**
- **Scott Pettersson - LEADR**
- **Prof Geoff Clarke - Law School James Cook University**
- **Assoc Prof Craig Jones - Director of Native Title Studies Center, James Cook University**
- **Jane Helix - Director, Community Solutions**
- **Ms Toni Bauman - AIATSIS Research Fellow**

General Darwin Information



Darwin

The scenic modern town of Darwin and its huge harbor take visitors by surprise. The unexpected lushness of the tropical city surrounded by blue water and sandy beaches make it an ideal place to stay whilst visiting the many beautiful natural attractions of the Top End.

Darwin offers all the sophistication of an international city with restaurants, hotels, museums, art galleries, as well as nightlife. Yet Darwin's tropical boundaries are the glittering allure of the Timor Sea and the luxuriant greens of the tropical wetlands.

The history of Darwin and the Top End is also on display with many historical reserves, museums and attractions charting the progress of the region. From the pioneering days of early settlement, the mining boom times, the war years of WWII, and the impact of cyclones and the natural environment. The endeavors of the spirited pioneers that made Darwin what it is today.

Local attractions include the Mindil Beach, crocodile farms, George Brown Darwin Botanic Gardens, the Aviation Heritage Centre, Casuarina Coastal Reserve, NT Art Gallery, and the East Point Military Museum.

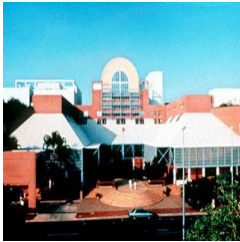
Australia's only tropical capital city boasts a population of 77,000 with about 20,000 more in the combined satellite city of Palmerston and the surrounding rural area. Approximately half the Northern Territory population lives within a 40km radius of Darwin and like the city itself, on average they are younger than the rest of Australia.

It may be the city's relaxed lifestyle, the magnet of its attractions, the haunting majesty of the monsoonal storms, or the smell of the tropics, but people who experience Darwin never forget it.

Conference Venue

Darwin Entertainment Centre/Holiday Inn Esplanade

93 Mitchell Street Darwin The Esplanade Darwin



The Conference will be held at the Darwin Entertainment Centre (DEC) and the Holiday Inn Esplanade. This complex houses both DEC and the Holiday Inn Esplanade. It has magnificent views overlooking tropical parklands, foreshore of the Esplanade and is ideally located within the central business district.

The DEC is the premier Entertainment and Convention venue in the Top End of the Northern Territory of Australia. The Darwin Entertainment Centre hosts major national and international acts as well as local theatre concerts and Darwin based artists.

For those delegates that have chosen accommodation from the wide variety offered for the conference, most of these hotels are nearby and well within walking distance of the DEC.

Registration Desk

The registration desk and a tour desk will operate from 1st Floor of the Holiday Inn Esplanade Darwin for the duration of the conference.

OPERATING TIMES

Tuesday, 29 June

1700 - 1830 - Welcome Reception/Pre-Registration (**Parliament House**)

Wednesday, 30 June

0730 - 1730 - Day One

Thursday, 1 July

0730 - 1700 - Day Two

Friday, 2 July

0745 - 1700 - Day Three

ATM

The nearest Automatic teller machine is in the National Australia Bank located opposite the Darwin Entertainment Centre on the corner of Mitchell Street and Mc Lachlan Streets Darwin.



Weather and Dress Standard

In Darwin the weather is tropical – always warm, sometimes humid and with lots of sunshine. With temperatures in June/July ranging from 19°C to 30°C it is a time when the locals feel the cold and the visitors embrace the warmth!

Territorians believe they have the best lifestyle in Australia, and with good reason. The lifestyle in Darwin is casual and this is reflected in what people wear. Neat casual wear is appropriate for both Conference sessions and most social functions.

Conference sessions will be held in an air-conditioned venue, therefore you may consider bringing a light pullover or jacket in case you get cool.

The Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner are both more formal occasions. This calls for what you may hear referred to as “Darwin Rig” or “Territory Rig”. This means for women, casual but elegant, and for men long trousers and collared shirt, ties and Jackets are not necessary.

Transport & Transfers

The Cost: of taxis or private hire cars to and from the airport to the city centre is approximately A\$22.00 one way.

An alternative to this is the airport shuttle bus. This bus operates from the front of the airport and Cost: A\$7.50 one way or A\$13.00 return.

Within the City Centre and for the budget minded there are cheaper alternatives for transport, such as mini buses, that operate within Darwin City Centre and Cost: approximately A\$2.50 per person.

Tour Desk

Throughout the duration of the conference, there will be a fully operational tour desk available to take bookings for post forum tours. Below you will find a sample of touring options available, however if you would like any additional information on the wide range of tours available in the Top End and Australia in general, please contact The Best Conference and Events Company on ph: 08 89811875 or info@thebestevents.com.au.



Touring Options

Please Note: Prices detailed below are per person and are quoted in Australian Dollars. Prices are available for pre paid reservations through The Best Conference and Events Company only.

Darwin City Sights Tour

Cost: Adult: \$50.00 Child: \$39.00
Duration of Tour: 3 1/2 hours
Vehicle Type: Air Conditioned Coaster Bus
Minimum 2 Maximum of 22 persons
Departure Days: Daily year round
Departs Darwin 2.00pm
Arrives Darwin 5.00pm
Arrives Darwin 7.00pm with Sunset extension



Child Age:

5-15 years

Itinerary:

Departs Darwin. Enjoy this comprehensive tour of Darwin including informative and interesting commentary. The tour includes visits to Chinese Temple, Botanical Gardens, East Point Reserve, Stokes Hill Wharf Precinct and Mooring Basin, WWII Relics, East Point Reserve, Fannie Bay Gaol, Museum of Arts and Sciences and other historic city sights. Optional Sunset extension, enjoy a drink and canapes.

Jumping Crocodile Cruise

Cost: Adult: \$75.00 Child: \$60.00
Duration of Tour: 5 hours
Vehicle Type: Air Conditioned Coaster Coach
Minimum of 2 Maximum of 22 persons
Departure Days: Daily year round
Departs Darwin 12.50pm
Arrives Darwin 6.30pm



Child Age:

4 - 14 years

Itinerary:

Departs Darwin. Just 60km from Darwin lies the Adelaide River, home to over 1600 Crocodiles and the location of the famous Jumping Crocodiles. Cruise the river and thrill as these awesome creatures launch themselves out of the water.

As well as the Jumping Crocodile Cruise, this tour also includes a visit to Fogg Dam Nature Reserve and Window on the Wetlands Environment Centre



Territory Wildlife Park Tour

Cost: Adult: \$56.00 Child: \$40.00
Duration of Tour: 5 hours
Vehicle Type: Air Conditioned Coaster Bus
Minimum of 2 maximum of 4 persons
Departure Days: Daily year round
Departs Darwin 7.30am
Returns Darwin 1.30pm
Child Age: 4 - 14 years



Itinerary: Departs Darwin. Located 57kms and about 45 minutes from Darwin, this world class, award winning park is set in 400 hectares of natural bushland and home for the largest collection of Territory Wildlife. Visitors have 4 hours to explore the many exhibits including the nocturnal house, the aquarium with viewing tunnel, aviaries, bird of prey display and more.

Enjoy a bush walk or take the train
Raptors - Birds of prey display
Aquarium - with underwater viewing tunnel
Bird Aviaries - including 20 meter high walk through aviary
Rain Forest Walk
Nocturnal House - See many rare animals where night is turned into day
Observe wildlife at close range, in their natural habitat

Litchfield National Park

Cost: Adult: \$94.00 Child: \$84.00
Duration of Tour: 1 Day
Vehicle Type: Air-conditioned Coaster Coach
Minimum of 2 Maximum of 22 Persons
Departure Days: Daily except Christmas Day and Good Friday
Departs Darwin 7.00am
Returns Darwin 6.00pm
Child Age: 4 - 14 years



Itinerary: Departs Darwin. Follow the Stuart Highway to Litchfield Park via the picturesque township of Batchelor (Gateway to the Park). Visiting the main falls of Tolmer, Florence and Wangi Falls where the opportunities for scenic and interpretive bush and monsoon forest walks are available. A picnic style lunch and plenty of swimming will ensure a fun and educational day.
(In the event road closures or climatic problems prevent access to some Falls, other attractions will be included.)



Katherine Gorge and Edith Falls Tour

Cost: Adult: \$145.00 Child: \$73.00
Duration of Tour: 1 Day
Vehicle Type: Large Air Conditioned Coach
Minimum of 2 maximum of 46 persons
Departure Days: Departs Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat
02 May 03 - 31 Oct 03
Departs Tue, Thurs, Sat
01 Nov 03 - 29 Apr 04
Departs Darwin 6:45am
Returns Darwin 8.30pm
Child Age: 4 -12 years



Itinerary: Departs Darwin. Leaving Darwin you travel south via World War II airstrips to Adelaide River where you visit the War Cemetery, a site dedicated to those who lost their lives during the attacks on Darwin in the 1940's. Continue onto Edith Falls where you have the time for a refreshing swim. After lunch you continue onto Katherine Gorge in Nitmiluk National Park to join a scenic two hour cruise where you have the opportunity to see wildlife including Johnstoni crocodile and prolific birdlife. The tour of the first two gorges take you past sheer rock walls and all manner of flora and fauna.

Wildlife Spectacular Tour

Cost: Adult: \$129.00 Child: \$99.00
Duration of Tour: 1 Day
Vehicle Type: Air Conditioned Coaster Bus
Minimum of 2 Maximum of 4 Persons
Departure Days: Daily year round
Departs Darwin 7.30am
Returns Darwin 6.30pm
Child Age: 5-15 years

Itinerary: Departs Darwin. Commence the day with a visit to the award winning Territory Wildlife Park. Continue on to the Crocodile Farm before travelling out to the Adelaide River to join the Famous Jumping Crocodile Cruise. Visit Windows on the Wetlands and Fogg Dam Nature Reserve before returning to Darwin. All entry fees and cruises are included.



Barramundi Fishing Day Tour

Cost: Adult: \$275.00 Child: \$275.00

Duration of Tour: 1 Day

Vehicle Type: Air conditioned late model Toyota 4wd Station Wagon & 4.6 metre aluminium barra boat fitted with an environmentally friendly 90hp 4 stroke outboard.

Departure Days: Daily Year Round
Departs Darwin 5.30am
Returns Darwin 5.00pm
Minimum Of 2 Persons

Itinerary: Picked up from your accommodation in the early morning you are transported in a late model 4wd to the fishing location for the day.



A fully customised 4.6metre vessel provides a comfortable and safe fishing platform for the days fishing. The vessel is powered by an environmentally friendly 90hp Suzuki 4 stroke outboard and has swivel seats and sunshade if required.

Morning tea, light refreshments and lunch are included and all fishing gear is supplied on a replace if lost or damaged basis (alcohol is not supplied but can be organised on request).

You will fish one of the many famous Top End Rivers and billabongs depending on what present the best opportunity for some exciting Barra fishing. You will be returned to your accommodation in the late afternoon.

What to Bring:

Wide brimmed hat

Polarized sunglasses

30+ sunscreen

Insect repellent

Camera/Video Camera with plenty of film

Cool light clothing, Long sleeves and pants are recommended

1.5 Day Litchfield Chauffered Tour

Cost: Adult: \$400.00 Child: \$400.00

Duration of Tour: 1.5 Days

Vehicle Type: Executive Coach
Minimum 2 persons

Departure Days: Daily
Departs Darwin 7.00am
Returns Darwin 12.00pm

Child Age: Same as Adults

Itinerary:
Departs Darwin.



Day 1: (B,L,D)

Travel the Stuart Highway to the rural township of Acacia where you will have a Barramundi breakfast. After breakfast you head to Litchfield National Park where creeks and waterfalls are spring-fed all year. Visit the spectacular Wangi and Florence Falls - you may wish to have a refreshing swim here or just cool your feet in the crystal clear waters.

Another surprise awaits you as you head towards the township of Batchelor and a visit to the unique Butterfly Farm. Wander at your leisure amongst the colourful, hovering butterflies - so many colours, so fragile, yet such beauty.

Enjoy lunch in this peaceful and lovely area - take your time, there's no hurry, this is your day to relax. Browse around the souvenir shop - you will see the best available, made by the very talented ALady of the House. After lunch you return north to the very pretty area of Howard Springs, see how rural Darwinites like to live in this rugged bush country and have built homes in acres of land and made them into their castles.

A homestay for you this evening - luxury you would not believe possible in this tropical and beautiful backyard of Darwin. You will be staying at Melaleuca Homestead. Enjoy your sumptuous dinner amongst the tranquil gardens of the property - your hosts have a story to tell...but you will just have to experience this for yourself.

Day 2: (B)

After a leisurely breakfast there is plenty of time for you to sit and enjoy your surroundings or explore this beautiful part of the Northern Territory. You will be back in Darwin in time for lunch - your own expense.

INCLUSIONS IN THIS TOUR:

- * Breakfast both days, lunch & dinner day one.
- * Homestay accommodation
- * Entrance fees

2 Day Kakadu Motel Accommodated

Cost: Adult: \$465.00 Child: \$419.00

Duration of Tour: 2 Days

Vehicle Type: Air Conditioned Coaster bus
Minimum 2 Maximum of 21 persons

Departure Days: Daily
Departs Darwin 6.30am
Returns Darwin 9.00pm

Child Age: 4 - 14 years

Itinerary:
Departs Darwin.

Day 1: (L)





Follows Stuart and Arnhem Highways. Pass the Murrumbidgee Plains, Adelaide, Mary and Wildman River areas into Kakadu National Park. Cross the South Alligator River and explore the World Heritage area of Ubirr Rock where you climb up through the ancient Aboriginal rock art galleries to the lookout for a view over the surrounding wetlands. Visit Bowali Visitor Centre with its informative displays, then continue to Coinda to join Kakadu's fabled Yellow Waters Wetland Cruise.

Day 2 : (L)

This morning is spent in the Nourlangie Rock region and Anbangbang Billabong which includes spectacular Arnhemland Escarpment views, ancient Aboriginal occupation sites and pristine freshwater environs. After lunch venture off the beaten track to Barramundi Gorge, where a 2km return walk through monsoon forest leads to a small waterfall and clear plunge pool.

Late afternoon you make your way out of Kakadu National Park, viewing Jabiru Township and pausing for an evening snack (own expense) at the Bark Hut Inn. Arrive Darwin mid evening.

(In the event seasonal conditions prevent access to Ubirr Rock and/or Barramundi Gorge the group will visit other attractions such as Gubara Pools, Nanguluwur or Nawulandja).



REGISTRATION FORM

The 7th National Mediation Conference
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Please complete all sections by and return to:

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Organisation: _____ Position: _____

Postal Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Postcode: _____ Country: _____

Business Ph: _____ Mobile: _____

Business Fax: _____ Email: _____

Special Requirements: _____

Name to appear on name badge: _____

REGISTRATION

Early Bird (closes 30 April) \$ 495.00
(10% discount to LEADR members – earlybird only)

Normal (closes 31 May) \$ 595.00

Late (after 1 June) \$ 655.00

Day \$ 225.00

Please indicate which day you will be attending:

Wednesday Thursday Friday

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

The welcome reception is **included** in the registration fee. For catering purposes please indicate if you will be attending:

Yes - I will be attending the Welcome Reception

Tickets may be purchased for conference dinner at a cost of \$50.00 per person (excluding alcohol).

I would like to purchase _____ Tickets @ \$ 50.00 = \$ Total _____

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

I will be making my own travel and accommodation arrangements.

OR

I would like assistance with my travel arrangements.
(The Best Conference and Events Company will contact you to discuss your requirements)

Accommodation (See over for accommodation information)

Hotel Name: (preference 1) _____

Hotel Name: (preference 2) _____

Room Type: (standard/deluxe etc) _____ Sgl: _____ Dbl: _____ Twin: _____

Check in Date: _____ Time: _____ Check out Date: _____

Total number of nights required: _____ Sharing with: _____

ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION

Group reservations have been made at the accommodation properties listed below for the duration of the forum. To obtain the rates listed below your accommodation must be booked with The Best Conference & Events Co. Full payment for the accommodation is to be paid to The Best Conference & Events Co. prior to your arrival in Darwin. All prices include GST.

PRICES ARE PER ROOM,PER NIGHT

HOLIDAY INN ESPLANADE DARWIN - The Esplanade

Four & a Half Star Accommodation, overlooking the harbour Swimming pool, health club, restaurant & bars	Deluxe Single/Double/Twin	\$210.00
	Executive Suite Single/Double	\$250.00

1 minute walk to venue

MIRAMBEENA TOURIST RESORT - Cavenagh Street

Located close to the city centre, set in tropical surroundings Large pools, 24 hr reception, restaurant, bar	Standard Single/Double/Twin	\$ 96.80
	Deluxe Single/Double/Twin	\$121.00
	Townhouse (sleeps up to 4)	\$162.00

Townhouses are self-contained.

10 minutes walk to venue

VALUE INN - 50 Mitchell Street

Two star accommodation close to the city centre Swimming pool, 24hr access, off street parking No tea or coffee making facilities	Standard Room	\$ 85.00
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5 minutes walk to venue

POINCIANA INN - Cnr Mitchell & McLachlan St

Close to conference venue, 24 hr reception Swimming pool, restaurant & bars	Standard Single/Double/Twin	\$125.00
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1 minute walk to venue

SAVILLE PARK SUITES - 88 The Esplanade

Four star hotel overlooking Darwin Harbour Swimming pool, restaurant and 24hr reception Fully equipped kitchen in studios and apartments	Studio Single/Double/Twin	\$186.00
	1 Bedroom Apartments	\$198.00

4 minutes walk to venue

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Darwin NT
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PROPOSED PROGRAM

Tuesday 29 June 2004

TIME	ACTIVITY
1700 - 1830	WELCOME & REGISTRATION COCKTAIL PARTY Parliament House, Great Hall Hosted by Attorney General Dr Peter Toyne MLA

Wednesday 30 June 2004

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0600 - 0730	Wukindi-Rom Ceremony (Optional) Breakfast in Silence – Esplanade, Darwin								
0730	Registration Desk Opens								
0845	BALLROOM - PLENARY ONE Welcome to Country – Larrakia Nation Official Conference Opening – Attorney-General Dr Peter Toyne MLA Key-note Address – ‘A bridge for our country’ Rev. Djinyini Gondarra ‘Cross-cultural dialogue: an invitation to a mediation bridge’ Key-note Address – ‘ADR: an essential tool for human rights’ Mr John Von Doussa								
1000 -1030	MORNING TEA								
1030	BALLROOM - PLENARY TWO Introduction of Table Hosts and the ‘Talking Table’ concept								
1100	BREAKOUT – SESSION ONE								
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	Topic: Regional Extended Family Services Inc (REFS) Speaker/s: Lillian Greenup Stacey Kelly-Greenup	Topic: Towards Healing-Mediating Sexual Abuse Cases Involving Religious Institutions Speaker/s: Margaret Ross Greg Rooney	Topic: Is there a future for interest based mediation? Speaker: Bob Owen	Topic: Understanding the costs of conflict. The durability of ADR outcomes Speaker: Dr Tom Altobelli
1230 – 1330	LUNCH			
1330	<u>BREAKOUT - SESSION TWO</u>			
	Cross-Cultural Sector	Community Sector	Corporate Sector	Professional Practice
	Topic: Mediating the Models laws Across Cultures Speaker: Nadja Alexander	Topic: Ensuring Quality & Monitoring Standards in Practice of Primary Dispute Resolution (PDR) Speaker/s: Tom Fisher Catherine Hunter	Topic: ADR in Planning Urban Railways Speaker/s: Ogg/Duncombe	Topic: Extending ADR-complaints handling & dispute resolution Speaker: Tania Sourdin
1500 -1530	AFTERNOON TEA			
1530	<u>BREAKOUT - SESSION THREE</u>			
	Designing for the cross-cultural Sector	Community Sector	Corporate Sector	Professional Practice
	Topic: Power & Susceptibility in Intercultural Mediation Speaker: Morgan Brigg	Topic: Special Challenges in Community Based Court Ordered Mediation Speaker: Darren McGeachie	Topic: Presentation and Facilitated Conversation; Narrative Mediation and Workplace Conflict Dissolution Speaker: Debbie Dunn	Topic: Mediation in Voluntary Organisations Speaker: Jennifer Scott
	Topic: Issues of Power in Alternative Dispute Resolution in Aboriginal Settings Speaker: Helen Bishop	Topic: Family Decision Making and the Legal Context for Mediation in Child Protection Matters in SA Speaker: Donnie Martin	Topic: Tips & Traps in Workplace mediation Speaker: Mieke Brandon	Topic: Accreditation and Online ADR Speaker/s: Jackie Bornstein Melissa Conley-Tyler



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		Topic: A model of family mediation that supports the participation of victims of domestic violence Speaker/s: Rachael Field		
1700	CLOSE			
1830 – 2000	Conference delegates and the public are invited to a special public address at the Darwin Entertainment Centre			

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0600 – 0730	Wukindi-Rom Ceremony (Optional) Breakfast in Silence – Esplanade, Darwin	
0745	Registration Desk Opens	
0830	BALLROOM - PLENARY THREE Talking Table session	
0900	'Rifles and Repartee – Shifting from a Network of Mediators to a community of ADR Practitioners' Lucie Alliare, Director General Conflict Management Program & Nicole Charron-Poggioli, Director Intervention Services. Department of National Defence, Canada	
1030 – 1100	MORNING TEA	
1100	BREAKOUT - SESSION FOUR 'Australian Mediation-The Play' Dramatic performance by Laurence Boulle, Nadja Alexander, Tom Fisher, Valerie Clements & others.	'Big 'talking' Business' A facilitated Forum style discussion showcasing dispute resolution innovations in wholesale business markets. Representatives from Telco's, Electricity, Water, Gas, Mining and Transport Sectors
1300 – 1400	LUNCH	



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BREAKOUT – SESSION FIVE - COLLOQUIUM							
Cross-Cultural Sector		Colloquium: Pushing the edges!	Colloquium: Mediation or what?	Colloquium: Does Western ADR only work in the west?	Colloquium: Talking Toolboxes	Community Justice Centre's	Workplace Alternative Dispute Resolution
1400 – 1600	Topic: Mediation in Aboriginal Australia Speaker/s: Kurt Noble Peter Yu Josephine Akee Stephen Ralph Mick Dodson Kimberly Hunter	Topic: Conciliation Colloquium: a practitioner led workshop Speaker: Roxanne Shaw	Topic: Skills: Seven More Tools for a Mediator's Toolbox Speaker: John Cleary	Topic: Does Western ADR only work in the West? Speaker/s Justice Ambeng Kandakasi Helena Yuen Suk Yee	Topic: Curioser & Curioser: Mediators in wonderment Speaker/s: Mieke Brandon Stephan Quinlan		Topic: Behind closed doors: Approaches to resolving complaints of sexual harassment in employment Speaker/s: Ariella Markham Jodie Davis
		Topic: Facilitator or Advisor? A discussion of conciliator intervention in the resolution of disputes under Australian anti-discrimination & human rights law. Speaker: Tracey Raymond Jodie Ball	Topic: The Uses and Uses of Mediation Speaker: Simon Curran				Topic: Mediation: Toolbox or Professional Practice? Speaker: Pat Marshall
1600	CLOSE						
1730	MINDIL BEACH MARKETS						

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0600 - 0730	Wukindi-Rom Ceremony (Optional) Breakfast in Silence Esplanade, Darwin			
0745	Registration Desk Opens			
0830	BALLROOM - PLENARY FOUR A facilitated conversation with Prof. Laurence Boulle 'Common Spaces -An ADR profession, many charisms; some questions' -			
1000 - 1030	MORNING TEA			
1030	BREAKOUT -SESSION SIX			
	Cross-Cultural Sector	Community Sector	Corporate Sector	Professional Practice
	Topic: Facilitating regional and local governance Speaker; M O'Donnell Peter Yu	Topic: ADR in Schools Speaker/s: Dr Terry Quong	Topic: Conflict coaching workshop Speaker/s: Lucie Alliare Nicole Charron-Pogioli	Topic: Frog in a bottle. Client perceptions of changing PDR services. Speaker: Dr Andrew Bickerdike
		Topic: Disputes in Universities - is an Ombudsman the answer? Speaker/s: Hilary Astor Rosemary Lyster		Topic: Perceptions of, and referral to, family mediation services by women's services Speaker/s: Dr Helen Cleak Dr Andrew Bickerdike
1200	BALLROOM - PLENARY FIVE Preparation and presentation of the 'Table Talk' visuals This is an 'exchange of message' exercise; a facilitated conversation between multi-party groups			
1300 - 1400	LUNCH			
1400	BALLROOM - PLENARY SIX NADRAC - Who says you're a mediator? Towards a national system for accrediting mediators.			
1605 - 1645	GENERAL RAPPORTEUR AND CLOSE			



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