

UNCITRAL AUSTRALIA SEMINAR

**Co-Hosted by the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department, the
UNCITRAL National Coordination Committee for Australia, and the
UNCITRAL Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific**

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PROGRAM

THURSDAY 28 MAY 2015

7.00pm Dinner for Delegates – Kurrajong Hotel

FRIDAY 29 MAY 2015

8.30 am Registration at Attorney General's Department

8.45 am **Welcome**

- Andrew Walter, Assistant Secretary, Commercial and Administrative Law Branch, AGD
- Donald Robertson, UNCCA Executive Member and Symposium, Coordinator, Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills; University of Sydney

9.00 am **Keynote Address: Outlook for Harmonisation of Commercial Laws in the Emerging Global and Regional Environment**

- David Fredericks, Deputy Secretary, Civil Justice and Legal Services Group, AGD

9.30 am **Guest Lecture: "UNCITRAL & the post-2015 development agenda: An Asia – Pacific Perspective"**

- João Ribeiro, Head, UNCITRAL Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific

10.00am **WG I Panel – Micro-, Small- and Medium Enterprises (MSME): A global standard for a simplified company law**

- Tim Castle, Barrister, Chair, UNCCA
- Diane Chapman, Secretary, UNCCA
- [Commentator – tba]

10.30 AM MORNING TEA

11.00am **WG II Panel – Arbitration and Conciliation: New Frameworks for International Arbitration and Conciliation: The Mauritius Convention, the Organising Notes and the Model Law on International Commercial Conciliation**

- Alex Baykitch, Partner, King & Wood Mallesons
- Professor Richard Garnett, University of Melbourne; Herbert Smith Freehills
- Professor Chester Brown, University of Sydney

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- Jeremy Shelley, Legal Officer, Private International Law and Commercial Policy Section, AGD

11.30am **WG III Panel – On-line Dispute Resolution: Organising the ODR Community in Australia**

- Delcy Lagones de Anglim, UNCCA Executive Member, ICC Mediation Panel Convenor in Australia
- Professor John Zaleznikow, University of Victoria
- Tracey Ballantyne, A/Assistant Secretary, Family Law Branch, AGD

12.00pm **Contracts and CISG Panel – Future of Global Contract Law and Australia – 35th anniversary of the CISG**

- Don Robertson, UNCCA Executive Member and Symposium Coordinator, Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills
- Dr Lisa Spagnolo, UNCCA Executive Member, CISG Advisory Council Rapporteur, Monash University
- Prishika Raj, Legal Officer, Private International Law and Commercial Policy Section, AGD

12.30PM **WORKING LUNCH – UNCCA GENERAL MEETING**

1.30pm **WG IV – E-Commerce Panel - Australia’s role in the brave new world – E-Commerce Convention and Identity Management**

- Dr Alan Davidson, UNCCA Executive Member, Senior Lecturer, University of Queensland
- Michael Green, UNCCA Executive Member, Barrister
- Kelsey Guthrie-Jones, Legal Officer, Private International Law and Commercial Policy Section, AGD

2.00pm **WG V Panel – Insolvency: New solutions to GFC problems: directors duties and enforcement of insolvency related judgments**

- John Martin, Partner, Henry Davis York
- Professor Rosalind Mason, Queensland University of Technology
- Hon Justice Nye Perram, Federal Court of Australia

2.30pm **WG VI Panel – Security Interests: Draft Model Law on Secured Transactions and Australia**

- Professor Sheelagh McCracken, University of Sydney
- Professor John Stumbles, Consultant, King & Wood Mallesons, University of Sydney
- Andrew Sellars, General Counsel, Legal and Governance, AFSA

3.00PM **AFTERNOON TEA**

3.30pm **2015 UNCITRAL Commission Meeting – Priorities for Australia**

- Tim Castle, Chair, UNCCA, Barrister
- Dr Dalma Demeter, Senior Lecturer, University of Canberra

4.00pm **Final Session: Open Forum, Feedback and Closing Remarks**

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4.30PM SYMPOSIUM ENDS