



25th Annual IPSANZ Conference

2 - 4 September 2011



This year's programme brings you the highest calibre speakers with sessions covering key issues whilst enjoying a rewarding weekend at the Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney, Australia situated amongst the historic Rocks area with views of the world-famous Opera House & Harbour Bridge



Registration & Accommodation Information

The registration fees are set out below. Please note that members can take advantage of the early-bird rate that is offered which gives members the opportunity to attend at a significant saving.

The registration fee for "Junior" members of the Society is to encourage them, in particular, to attend the conference. For this year's conference "Junior" members are regarded as articled clerks, employed solicitors, technical assistants, employed patent attorneys, bar readers, corporate counsel, junior barristers and academics.

"Senior" members are regarded as partners or principals in law firms and patent attorney firms and senior counsel who have been appointed as Queen's Counsel or Senior Counsel; and directors of companies.

Early-bird registration by **31 July 2011** entitles delegates to a lower rate.

Please pay close attention to selecting the registration fee applicable to you.

	Early-bird* (Payment by 31 July 2011)	Full (Payment on or after 1 August 2011)
"Junior" IPSANZ member	850.00	950.00
"Senior" IPSANZ member	950.00	1,050.00
Non-member	1,050.00	1,150.00
Accompanying Person	350.00	350.00

All of the above fees are GST inclusive and are quoted in Australian Dollars

***In order for early bird registration rates to apply, PAYMENT must be received by 31 July 2011.**

IPSANZ takes much pride in keeping registration fees down to a minimum and reasonable comparative to other conferences held, without compromising the quality of speakers and efforts put into putting on such a highly attended and sought after conference.

Registration includes:

Delegate -

- Attendance of pre-conference Table Topic Sessions
- Welcome Cocktail Reception : Blu Bar on 36
- Attendance of Business Sessions (Saturday and Sunday)
 - *Including morning and afternoon teas and lunches*
- President's Dinner : Saturday night (3 Course Meal)
- Delegate folder (includes delegate listing and conference session materials)

Accompanying Person -

- Welcome Cocktail Reception: Blu Bar on 36
- President's Dinner: Saturday night
- Social lunch dining with delegates on Sunday

Non Members –

Provided you join IPSANZ prior to the conference you are able to register at the Member rate. IPSANZ Membership forms are available from the IPSANZ Secretariat:

http://www.ipsanz.com.au/member_benefits.html

Programme:

IPSANZ are pleased to bring to delegates a wonderful and varied programme that includes high profile speakers both locally and internationally. A great deal of effort has been put into the programme to bring to you topics that are topical and relevant to IP practitioners. We hope that delegates leave with a sense of fulfilment.

Table Topic Sessions

We have introduced for the first time a Table Topic Session. It will run on Friday between 3-5pm prior to the official opening of the Conference.

The Table Topic Sessions will consist of ten tables with a facilitator/s. They will introduce a topic for the member's participation. These sessions will allow practitioners to participate in a lively round table discussion, the format having an interactive networking aspect with topics selected to be of current interest. It is likely that these sessions will stimulate a lively debate as well as allow delegates to meet a number of other like-minded people prior to the conference.

Specially invited and selected senior practitioners and in-house corporate counsel will facilitate discussion at each table. The aim is to encourage open discussion and slightly more overt networking. Background knowledge or experience within areas for discussion is not required. You will have the opportunity to discuss three or four topics: at scheduled turnover times and move around the tables to the next topic of your choosing.

Welcome Cocktails

Invitation is extended to delegates and accompanying persons to attend the Welcome Cocktails which are being hosted in the Blu Bar on 36. This is a New York-inspired Bar that is an attraction in its own right, that exudes urban sophistication. The exclusive cocktail lounge is located high above the city with panoramic views of Darling Harbour, Sydney Harbour Bridge and the Opera House. The Blu Bar on 36 was awarded "Bar of the Year", Australian Hotels Association (NSW) Awards for Excellence, 2010.

Sessions

IPSANZ have put together a range of sessions that are topical. We have carefully selected specific speakers to speak on these topics in order to give delegates an insight into relevant issues of the day.

Payment:

Payment should be made in Australian dollars by cheque or bank draft payable to: IPSANZ or by Visa or Mastercard. Please note American Express or Diners Club credit cards are not accepted.

Cancellations/Refunds

Where cancellation advice is received by letter, email or fax no later than 31 July 2011, a full refund of the registration fee and accommodation will be made. No refunds will be made after 1 August 2011. Registrations can be transferred to a substitute delegate at no additional cost, provided the conference secretariat is advised by letter, email or fax.

Conference Venue

Shangri-La Hotel
176 Cumberland Street
The Rocks, Sydney
NSW 2000, Australia
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<http://www.shangri-la.com/en/property/sydney/shangrila>



Conference Venue

The Shangri-La Hotel is located in the historic Rocks district in the heart of the dynamic city, Sydney offering stunning views of Sydney's spectacular Harbour, the Sydney Harbour Bridge and the world-famous Opera House.

IPSANZ have secured a number of Deluxe Darling Harbour and Deluxe Opera House City view rooms. These rooms are most spacious and luxurious guest rooms. All have breathtaking views and are exquisitely appointed with contemporary furnishings and signature bed linens.

Complimentary Broadband and Wifi Internet Access is provided in all guestrooms and meeting rooms.

The Shangri-La Hotel incorporates a gym with a full range of exercise and health equipment, heated indoor swimming pool and sauna. Complimentary Health Club Access is offered to delegates.

Accommodation

All king/twin rooms contain one king size bed and twin rooms have two double beds. If a rollaway bed or cot is required please contact our Conference Organisers. There is no charge for a cot. Please note the maximum capacity for accommodation guestrooms is 3 adults or 2 adults and 2 children (12 years of age or under). Interconnecting rooms for families can be arranged and subject to availability at point of reservation, however these would attract a standard tariff on each room.

Rate per room per night, including GST for King / Twin is:

Deluxe Darling Harbour and
Deluxe Opera House
Buffet Breakfast in Café Mix

A\$320.00 per room night
A\$20.00 per person daily



Note: A limited number of rooms are held and accommodation cannot be guaranteed after rooms have been allocated

Buffet Breakfast in Café Mix

Café Mix is Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney's all-day dining restaurant, with the focus on "fresh" and "diverse". It is located on level one of the hotel.



Car Parking

The daily charge for the use of the Car Park is A\$47.00 per vehicle per day, which allows for one arrival and one departure. Conference car parking for day delegates is A\$38.00 per vehicle per day.

Extra person

A sixty (A\$60.00) dollar bedding surcharge will be incurred for a rollaway bed, with a maximum of one rollaway per room. Rollaway beds are available on request, and subject to availability.

The agreed accommodation rate at the Hotel for before and/or after the conference may be available three days pre and post conference dates. Availability is limited and is subject to availability.

A pre authorisation of incidental charge of A\$100.00 per night will be required upon check-in into the Hotel. Full settlement of guest room account is required on check out of 11.00am.

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is recommended if you are travelling from overseas and should be purchased when you are arranging your air bookings.

Transport to The Rocks

The Rocks is located in the CBD of Sydney and is 11km from Sydney airport. Transport options include Sydney transfer via airport express train to Circular Quay (followed by a 5 min walk to hotel) from Sydney airport; or Taxi transfer from Sydney airport is available.

Climate and Dress

The weather in Sydney during the conference can be expected to range from 11°C to a maximum of 20°C during the day, mild to warm with cool evenings. Delegates are recommended to bring a jumper or jacket.

Dress code is smart casual.



Conference Speakers

IPSANZ reserves the right to substitute a speaker or alter a business session if necessary, without notice.

CLE/CPD Accreditation

IPSANZ have sought approval of the respective authorities governing the legal profession with respect to accreditation of its programme in order that delegates can earn points required to complete mandatory Continuing Legal Education/Continuing Professional Development.

The New South Wales Bar Association has resolved to accredit 1 point per hour to a maximum of 6 CPD points for the entire conference.

The Western Australian Legal Practice Board has resolved to accredit 1 point per hour to a maximum of 7 CPD points for the entire conference. Please contact IPSANZ for the break-down of competency areas/points.

The Bar Association of Queensland has accredited the conference with 1 CPD point per hour of attendance in the non-allocated strand, and 3 CPD points per hour of seminar presentation. Accreditation code is IPS110902.

Registered patent and/or trade marks attorneys may claim CPE hours for attendance.

If you are the holder of a Victorian, New South Wales, South Australian or Queensland Practising Certificate, and this particular educational activity is relevant to your immediate or long-term needs in relation to your professional development and practice of the law, then you may be eligible to claim one unit for each hour of attendance, refreshments breaks not included.

Accompanying Persons

While no formal accompanying persons programme has been put together, there is no place in the world like Sydney to explore and enjoy.

The Rocks is where the history of Sydney begins. Walk the narrow winding streets and enjoy the convenient and easy access to all of the city's top attractions. The following hyperlink will direct you to attractions that are in Sydney should you wish to explore or even extend your stay, taking up the opportunity of extended discounted rates for your stay at the Shangri-La hotel. Some of the many attractions, to name only a few, include Sydney Harbour Cruises; Blue Mountains (2 hour trip from Sydney CBD); Bondi and Manly Beaches; Darling Harbour; Fort Denison; Kings Cross; Museums and Art Galleries; Royal Botanic Gardens; The Rocks; Sydney Harbour Bridge; Sydney Markets; Watsons Bay and Sydney Zoo. <http://www.sydney.com.au/>

IPSANZ look forward to welcoming you to the 2011 25th Annual Conference.

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