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PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 9 JUNE – Location: Bourke room	
10.00am – 1.15pm	Registration & arrival tea/coffee and refreshments Location: First floor landing
11.00am – 12.30pm	HEADS OF TRIBUNALS MEETING Chair: <i>The Hon Justice Iain Ross AO, COAT Chair</i>
1.30pm	WELCOME AND OPENING <i>The Hon Justice Patrick Keane, Chief Justice, Federal Court of Australia, AIJA President</i>
1.50pm	SESSION ONE FRAMEWORK FOR TRIBUNAL EXCELLENCE Presenters: <i>The Hon Justice Iain Ross AO, President, Victorian Civil & Administrative Tribunal (VCAT), COAT Chair, and Presenters</i>
2.40pm	Afternoon Tea – Location: Bourke room (top tier)
2.55pm	SESSION TWO MEMBER APPRAISAL – WHAT IT MEANS FOR YOU? Presenters: <i>Her Honour Judge Fleur Kingham, District Court and Deputy President of QCAT and Ms Heather Lambrick, Deputy President, VCAT</i> Chair: <i>Mrs Anne Coghlan, Deputy President, VCAT</i>
4.10pm	SESSION THREE ESSENTIAL INGREDIENTS FOR A SUPER TRIBUNAL – DOES ONE SIZE FIT ALL? This session will be panel discussion, introduced and moderated by <i>Ms Anita Smith, President, Guardianship and Administration Board, Tasmania</i> Panel Members: <i>The Hon Justice John Chaney, President, WA SAT, The Hon Justice Iain Ross AO, President, VCAT, The Hon Justice Alan Wilson, President, QCAT, Ms Linda Crebbin, General President, ACAT, and Mr Barry Thomas, President, Mental Health Review Tribunal, Queensland</i>
5.00pm	Close
7.00 for 7.30pm	CONFERENCE DINNER – Location: Grand Ballroom Speaker: <i>Mr Chris Craigie SC, Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions</i>

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FRIDAY 10 JUNE			
8.30am	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – Location: Bourke room <i>The Annual General Meeting of COAT has been scheduled to take place during the conference and is open to all members of COAT. A notice of meeting will be sent to members</i>		
9.30am	Morning Tea – Location: Grand Ballroom		
9.45am	SESSION FOUR – Location: Bourke room ORAL DECISION MASTERCLASS This session will start with a plenary presentation giving general tips and tricks of the trade for conducting hearings and giving oral decisions and reasons. It will be followed by a “mock hearing scenario” in which parties make their submissions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Participants will then join small groups – There will be an emphasis on facilitated discussion about the structure and presentation of oral reasons and the chance to practise Facilitators: <i>The Hon Justice John Chaney, President, WA SAT</i> and <i>Ms Anne Britton, Senior Member, AAT</i> (assisted by professional actors from the <i>Maura Fay Company</i>)		
12.15pm	Sessions conclude		
12.30pm	Lunch served – Location: Grand Ballroom		
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