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Technology, Communication, Innovation

Museum of New Zealand
Te Papa Tongarewa
Wellington, New Zealand

FRIDAY 7 OCTOBER			
5.30 pm	Opening Reception – Government House, Rugby Street, Wellington		
SATURDAY 8 OCTOBER			
8.00 am	Registration (tea and coffee available)		
9.00 am	Opening (Soundings Theatre) Justice John Byrne , AIJA President The Rt Hon Dame Sian Elias GNZM , Chief Justice of New Zealand		
9.15 am	Keynote address – <i>A promise of miracles? - or what most of us know will really happen!</i> (Soundings Theatre) Speaker: Robyn Williams, AM , Science broadcaster and journalist Convenor: The Rt Hon Dame Sian Elias GNZM , Chief Justice of New Zealand		
10.00am	Plenary (Soundings Theatre) Information and communications technology in courts – a Canadian perspective Speaker: The Hon Madam Justice Frances Kiteley PPT , Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Commentator: The Rt Hon Thomas Gault DCNZM , Supreme Court of New Zealand Convenor: Professor Greg Reinhardt , Executive Director, AIJA		
11.00 am	Morning Tea		
11.30 am	Plenary (Soundings Theatre) Strategies for successful e-services in courts – e-filing, echambers and ecourts <i>What do the profession and litigants want and how should the courts deliver it?</i> PPT Panellists: Laurence Millar , Director, eGovernment Unit State Services Commission of New Zealand Pheroze Jagose PPT , Partner, Chapman Tripp, New Zealand, , Megan Greenwood PPT , Chief Executive Officer, Supreme Court of NSW, Philip Kellow , Deputy Registrar, Principal Registry, Federal Court of Australia Convenor: Anne Wallace , Deputy Executive Director, AIJA		
12.45 pm	Lunch		
2.00 pm	Plenary (Soundings Theatre) Court TV - coming to an Internet browser near you Speaker: Daniel Stepniak, PPT University of Western Australia Commentators: Justice Robert Chambers , Court of Appeal, New Zealand, Justice Frances Kiteley PPT Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Convenor: Chief Judge Russell Johnson , District Court of New Zealand		
3.00 pm	Afternoon Tea		
3.30 pm	Workshop Sessions		
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4.45 pm	CLOSE		
5.00 pm	AIJA AGM (Soundings Theatre)		
7.00 pm	Conference Dinner - Te Marae, Museum of New Zealand, Te Papa Tongarewa (includes cultural performance)		

SUNDAY 9 OCTOBER

9.00 am	<p>Panel Discussion (Soundings Theatre)</p> <p><i>“Shooting the messenger?” – the courts, the media and the public</i></p> <p>Courts face an increasing challenge to communicate information accurately about their work to a media that now works in a high technology environment of instant communication. Speakers in this session will discuss how courts in New Zealand and Australia are tackling this task.</p> <p>Panellists: Justice Bruce Robertson (Chair, New Zealand Courts Media Committee), Stephen Mills, Barrister, New Zealand, Bob Gotterson QC PPT, Australia, Paul Norris, Head of School, New Zealand Broadcasting School Peter Bartlett PPT, Chairman, Minter Ellison</p> <p>Convenor: Justice Ron Young, High Court of New Zealand</p>
10.15 am	Morning Tea
10.45 am	<p>Plenary (Soundings Theatre)</p> <p><i>Computer Simulated Evidence in the Courtroom? – issues and Implications</i></p> <p>Speakers: Judge Chris Harding, District Court of New Zealand Richard Refshauge, Director of Public Prosecutions, ACT Associate Professor Jane Goodman-Delahunty, PPT, University of New South Wales, Robert Lithgow, Barrister, New Zealand Arthur Hoyle PPT, Canberra University</p> <p>Convenor: Justice Tony Randerson, Chief High Court Judge, New Zealand</p>
12.00 noon	Close

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