

# ASIA PACIFIC COURTS CONFERENCE 2013

## 'The Pursuit of Excellence and Innovation in Courts and Tribunals'

### THURSDAY 7 MARCH

**5.30 WELCOME**  
Fale Pacifika, University of Auckland, 20 Wynyard Street, Auckland

**19th AIJA ORATION IN JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION**  
**Hong Kong and the People's Republic of China: the continuity of the common law tradition**  
Speaker: **Mr Justice Geoffrey Ma**, Chief Justice of Hong Kong

### FRIDAY 8 MARCH

**7.30 REGISTRATION**  
Tea and coffee available

**8.30 POWHIRI**

**WELCOME**  
To be introduced by **Justice Mark O'Regan KNZM**, President, Court of Appeal, New Zealand and AIJA President

**OPENING**  
**The Rt Hon Dame Sian Elias GNZM**, Chief Justice of New Zealand

**INTRODUCTION**  
**The Hon Judith Collins**, Minister of Justice, New Zealand

**9.30 THE REVISED FRAMEWORK FOR COURT EXCELLENCE**  
It is proposed that the revised version of the International Framework for Court Excellence (IFCE) be presented at the conference. The revised Framework will reflect work undertaken in relation to performance indicators. It will adopt simpler language and with a shorter version which may be used and adapted.

Speakers: Chief District **Judge Tan Siong Thye**, Subordinate Courts, Singapore, **Mr Dan Hall**, Vice President, Court Consulting Services, National Center for State Courts, USA and **Mr Laurie Glanfield AM**, Director General, Department of Attorney General and Justice, New South Wales

Convenor: **Justice Mark O'Regan KNZM**, President, Court of Appeal, New Zealand and AIJA President

**10.45 MORNING TEA**

**11.15 PANEL DISCUSSION ON THE REVISED FRAMEWORK FOR COURT EXCELLENCE**  
The purpose of this session is to discuss matters arising out of the revised Framework and the challenges which arise in relation to its implementation.

Speakers: **The Hon Marilyn Warren AC**, Chief Justice of Victoria, **Justice Peter Murphy PPT**, Appeal Division, Family Court of Australia and **Dr Pim Albers**, The Hague Institute for Global Justice

Convenor: **Judge Jan-Marie Doogue**, Chief District Court Judge of New Zealand

**12.30 LUNCH**

**1.30 SESSION 1**

**A. Promoting innovative leadership and the role of leadership in planning innovation**

Speakers: **Justice Helen Winkelmann**, Chief High Court Judge, New Zealand and **Mr Andrew Bridgman**, Secretary for Justice and Chief Executive, Ministry of Justice, New Zealand

Convenor: **Dr Andrew Cannon AM**, Deputy Chief Magistrate, South Australia

**B. Improving access to justice through innovation**

Speakers: **Mr Barry Walsh**, World Bank, Australia

**Mr Mark Beer**, Registrar, DIFC Courts, United Arab Emirates

**Mr Robert Musgrove**, Chief Executive Officer, Qatar International Court and Dispute Resolution Centre

Convenor: **Professor Gregory Reinhardt**, Executive Director, AIJA

**C. Implementing the IFCE as a holistic means for achieving excellence**

Speakers: **Mr David Ware**, CEO and **Mr Mike Vallance**, Manager, International Framework for Court Excellence, Supreme Court of Victoria **PPT1 PPT2**

Convenor: **Justice Michelle May**, Family Court of Australia

**3.00 AFTERNOON TEA**

- 3.30 **SESSION 2**  
**A. Innovation in case management**  
 Speaker: [Justice Geoff Venning](#), High Court, New Zealand  
**The role of information technology**  
 Speakers: [Mr Daniel McLellan](#), Barrister, New Zealand  
[Judge Dory Reiling](#), The Netherlands  
 Convenor: [Dr Andrew Cannon AM](#), Deputy Chief Magistrate, South Australia
- B. World Bank's justice reform**  
 Speaker: [Dr Pim Albers](#), The Hague Institute for Global Justice  
 Convenor: [Justice Margaret Wilson](#), Supreme Court of Queensland
- 4.30 **CLOSE**
- 5.30 **RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE**  
 Hosted by Their Excellencies, Lieutenant General [The Right Honourable Sir Jerry Mateparae](#), Governor-General of New Zealand and [Lady Janine Mateparae](#)

## SATURDAY 9 MARCH

- 8.30 **REGISTRATION**
- 9.00 **SESSION 3**  
**A. Judging the performance of judges**  
 Speakers: Chief District Court [Judge Jan-Marie Doogue](#) and [Judge Colin Doherty](#), Chair of IFCE for District Courts, New Zealand, [Paper PPT](#), [Justice Peter Murphy](#), Appeal Division, Family Court of Australia, [Dr Beth Wiggins PPT](#), Project Director, Federal Judicial Center, Washington DC, USA and [Mr Dan Hall](#), Vice President, Court Consulting Services, National Center for State Courts, USA  
 Convenor: Chief District [Judge Tan Siong Thye](#), Subordinate Courts, Singapore
- B. Engaging the public and user satisfaction through innovation - gaining and gauging public trust and confidence**  
 Speakers: [Justice Iain Ross AO](#), President, Fair Work Commission and Chair, Council of Australasian Tribunals  
[The Hon Robert Torres](#), Chief Justice of Guam  
 Convenor: [Ms Jane Reynolds](#), Regional Registry Manager – Victoria/Tasmania, Family Court of Australia
- C. Innovative and effective ways to manage litigants in person**  
 Speakers: [Mr Tony Woodyatt](#), Director, Queensland Public Interest Law Clearing House Incorporated (QPILCH)  
[Ms Julie Steel](#), Executive Director, Supreme, District & Land Courts Service Queensland  
 Senior District [Judge Leslie Chew](#), Subordinate Courts, Singapore  
 Convenor: [Ms Allison Ferguson](#), Partner, Wilson Harle, New Zealand
- 10.15 **SESSION 4**  
**Successful leadership in times of crisis**  
 Speakers: [Justice John Mansfield AM](#), Federal Court of Australia  
[The Hon Carl B Ingram](#), Chief Justice of the High Court, Republic of the Marshall Islands [PPT](#)  
 Convenor: [Justice Michelle May](#), Family Court of Australia
- 11.00 **MORNING TEA**
- 11.30 **SESSION 5**  
**A. Public reporting of courts' performance - how is this best achieved**  
 Speaker: [Dr Matthew Palmer](#), Barrister, New Zealand  
 Convenor: [Justice Helen Winkelmann](#), Chief High Court Judge, New Zealand
- B. Reforming justice – imperative to realign the 'rule of law'**  
 Speaker: [Dr Livingston Armytage PPT](#), Team Leader, Pacific Judicial Development Programme; and Senior Justice Reform Adviser, ICJ, Nepal  
 Convenor: [The Hon Tom Weston QC](#), Chief Justice of Cook Islands
- C. Ukraine court performance evaluation programs**  
 Speaker: [Dr David Vaughn PPT](#), [Strategic Plan](#), [CRC](#), Chief of Party, USAID, Ukraine  
**Justpal (Justice Sector Peer Assisted Learning Network) (www.justpal.org)**  
 Speaker: [Dr Pim Albers](#), The Hague Institute for Global Justice  
 The network is designed to share best practice in various areas of excellence  
 Convenor: [Professor Gregory Reinhardt](#), Executive Director, AIJA
- D. Measuring innovation**  
 Speakers: [Judge Dory Reiling](#), The Netherlands and [Ms Chan Wai Yin](#), Senior Director, Organisational Excellence & Performance Management, Subordinate Courts, Singapore  
 Convenor: [Mr Andrew Bridgman](#), Secretary for Justice and Chief Executive, Ministry of Justice, New Zealand
- 12.45 **CONCLUSION**