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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</i> , COAT Chair
1.30pm	WELCOME AND OPENING <i>The Hon Justice Patrick Keane</i> , Chief Justice, Federal Court of Australia, AIJA President
1.50pm	SESSION ONE FRAMEWORK FOR TRIBUNAL EXCELLENCE Presenters: <i>The Hon Justice Iain Ross AO</i> , President, Victorian Civil & Administrative Tribunal (VCAT), COAT Chair, and Presenters
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</i> , District Court and Deputy President of QCAT and <i>Ms Heather Lambrick</i> , Deputy President, VCAT Chair: <i>Mrs Anne Coghlan</i> , Deputy President, VCAT
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</i> , President, Guardianship and Administration Board, Tasmania Panel Members: <i>The Hon Justice John Chaney</i> , President, WA SAT, <i>The Hon Justice Iain Ross AO</i> , President, VCAT, <i>The Hon Justice Alan Wilson</i> , President, QCAT, <i>Ms Linda Crebbin</i> , General President, ACAT, and <i>Mr Barry Thomas</i> , President, Mental Health Review Tribunal, Queensland
5.00pm	Close
7.00 for 7.30pm	CONFERENCE DINNER – Location: Grand Ballroom Speaker: <i>Mr Chris Craigie SC</i> , Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions

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FRIDAY 10 JUNE			
8.30am	<p>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – Location: Bourke room</p> <p><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></p>		
9.30am	Morning Tea – Location: Grand Ballroom		
9.45am	<p>SESSION FOUR – Location: Bourke room</p> <p>ORAL DECISION MASTERCLASS</p> <p>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</p> <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 <p>Facilitators: The Hon Justice John Chaney, President, WA SAT and Ms Anne Britton, Senior Member, AAT (assisted by professional actors from the Maura Fay Company)</p>		
12.15pm	Sessions conclude		
12.30pm	Lunch served – Location: Grand Ballroom		
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