Joint NJCA / ANU Conference 2017: Brave New Worlds

Date: 4 to 5-Mar-2017
Cost: $560.00
Mode: Conference

Venue: John Curtin School of Medical Research, The Australian National University, Canberra

Details:

Online registrations have now closed for this event. Please call 02 6125 6655 if you wish to register.

The National Judicial College of Australia and the ANU College of Law invite you to attend their annual conference to be held at the John Curtin School of Medical Research at the Australian National University in Canberra on 4 & 5 March 2017.

The theme of the conference is Brave New Worlds: Challenges for Evidence in the 21st Century. The conference will focus on emerging research and the application of the rules of evidence in the areas of offender identification, expert opinion, the investigation and prosecution of online predators, tendency evidence in child abuse cases, machine versus human decision-making and the opportunities and challenges each of these present for rational fact finding. Speakers include leading researchers, academics and judicial officers.

If you would like to contact the organisers about this event, please use the contact form here.

Download the Flyer.

Download the Registration Guide (includes a copy of the full program).

Program

Saturday 4 March 2017
9:15am: Official Opening and Welcome to Country
Aunty Agnes Shea OAM, Ngunnawal Elder
Chief Justice Helen Murrell, Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory; Chair, Council of the National Judicial College of Australia
Professor Stephen Bottomley, Dean, ANU College of Law, The Australian National University

9:40am: Keynote Address
The Honourable Justice Stephen Gageler AC, High Court of Australia
Session chair: Chief Justice Helen Murrell, Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory; Chair, Council of the National Judicial College of Australia

10:30am: Transcription and Interpretation of Indistinct Covert Recordings used as Evidence in Court
Dr Helen Fraser, Director, Forensic Phonetics Australia
Session chair: Professor Gary Edmond, Director of the Program in Expertise, Evidence and Law, School of Law, The University of New South Wales

11:30am: Understanding Human Face Recognition and Challenges for Identification Evidence
Professor Neil Brewer, School of Psychology, Flinders University
Professor Elinor McKone, Research School of Psychology, Australian National University
Professor Gary Edmond, Director of the Program in Expertise, Evidence and Law, School of Law, The University of New South Wales
Session chair: Dr Mark Nolan, Associate Professor, ANU College of Law, Australian National University

1:45pm: Psychological Understanding and Forensic Use of Gait and Body Movement Evidence
Dr Rick van der Zwan, Director, Little but Fierce
Session chair: Chief Magistrate Steven Heath, Magistrates Court of Western Australia

3:15pm: Forensic Uses of Face and Body Identification Evidence
Associate Professor Richard Kemp, Forensic Psychology Lab, University of New South Wales
Session chair: Judge Stephen Norrish, District Court of New South Wales

4:00pm: Covert Online Surveillance of Child Predators: Exploring the Legal and Ethical Boundaries
Professor Peter Grabosky, Regulatory Institutions Network, Australian National University
Associate Professor Gregor Urbas, Faculty of Business, Government and Law, University of Canberra; Visiting Fellow at Tilburg University, Netherlands
Session chair: Justice Richard Refshauge, Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory

5:00pm: Social Function: Drinks and Canapes
Venue: John Curtin School of Medical Research
Host: Professor Stephen Bottomley, Dean, ANU College of Law, The Australian National University

6:30pm: End of Day One

Sunday 5 March 2017

9:30am: Decision Making: Human vs Machine
Mr Jon Cina, Victoria Legal Aid
Professor Seumas Miller, Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics, Charles Sturt University; 3TU Centre for Ethics and Technology, Delft University of Technology (The Hague)
Professor John Zeleznikow, Laboratory of Decision Support and Dispute Management, College of Business, Victoria University
Session chair: Justice Peter Murphy, Family Court of Australia

10:45am: DNA Evidence in Reports and Courts
Ms Julie Szego, author and freelance journalist
Dr Dennis McNevin, Faculty of Education, Science, Technology & Maths, University of Canberra
Professor Gary Edmond, Director of the Program in Expertise, Evidence and Law, School of Law, The University of New South Wales
Session chair: Justice Debra Mulhins, Supreme Court of Queensland

12:00pm: Prosecuting Multiple Complainant Cases of Child Sexual Assault: The New South Wales or Victorian Approach?
Associate Professor John Anderson, Newcastle Law School, University of Newcastle
Professor Annie Cossins, Professor of Law and Criminology, Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales
1:15pm: Conference Close and Lunch

**Registration Fees:**

- Early Bird Full Registration (until 31 January, 2017): $480
- Early Bird Student Registration (until 31 January, 2017): $140 – full time students only
- Full Registration (on or after 1st February 2017): $560
- Student registration (on or after 1st February 2017): $160 – full time students only
- Drinks function only (in company of conference participant): $40

Note: All amounts inclusive of GST.

**What’s on in Canberra:**

Whilst in Canberra, take the opportunity to sample many of the events and exhibitions the city has on offer. The *Enlighten Festival* (25 Feb to 12 March 2017) and the *Versailles: Treasures from the Palace* exhibition at the National Gallery of Australia (9 Dec 2016 to 17 Apr 2017) are to name just a few! Many exhibition events are ticketed so we recommend you plan ahead.

Take a look at [Visit Canberra](http://visitcanberra.com) for more information about exhibitions and events.