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Conference Program

Friday 27 October 2023

Session Time	Session Name	Speakers
1.00pm	Registration Opens	
2.30 – 2.45pm	Welcome	Andrew Davies, Chair, AIFLAM Emma Swart, Chair, AIFLAM Conference Committee
2.45 – 4.15pm	Session 1: The Intake Session <i>A facilitated roundtable session on the state of family law mediation and arbitration.</i>	Facilitators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philip Looney KC, Barrister, Mediator and Specialist Family Law Arbitrator Belle Lane, Barrister, Victorian Bar, Mediator and AIFLAM Trainer
4.15 – 5.00pm	Break <i>Check in to your accommodation and refresh ready for the evening social program.</i>	
5.00 – 5.30pm	AIFLAM 2023 AGM	
5.30 – 6.30pm	Welcome Drinks on the Rainforest Verandah	
6.30pm Onwards	Reconnect with old friends, and make new ones – choose one of the great options to dine around Byron Bay	

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Saturday 28 October 2023

Session Time	Session Name	Speakers
6.30 – 8.00am	Enjoy an outdoor start to the day with one of the following activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Yoga (6.30 - 7.30am)</i> • <i>Beach walk</i> • <i>Run Club</i> 	
8.30 – 9.00am	Arrival Tea and Coffee	
9.00 – 10.00am	Session 2: The marriage of mediation and psychology: the research	Chair – Bruce Tilley, AIFLAM Deputy Chair, Mediator and FDRP, Tilley Mediation Dr Darren Moroney, University of WA Mediation Clinic
10.00 – 10.30am	Session 3: What is happening at the Courts?	Chair – Emma Swart, Chair, AIFLAM Conference Committee, Barrister, Nationally Accredited Mediator, Victorian Bar Advanced Mediator, FDRP and Family Law Arbitrator, Foley's List Senior Judicial Registrar Anne-Marie Rice, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia
10.30 – 11.00am	Morning tea	
11.00 – 11.45am	Session 4: Procedurally Just Evaluative Mediation	Chair – Andrew Davies, AIFLAM Chair, Mediator, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Specialist Family Law Arbitrator and Principal, O'Sullivan Davies

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		Clinical Associate Professor and Associate Dean Libby Taylor, Faculty of Law, Bond University
11.45am – 12.30pm	Session 5: Panel Session – What can we do differently?	<p>Chair – Belle Lane, Barrister, Victorian Bar, Mediator and AIFLAM Trainer</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Darren Moroney, University of WA Mediation Clinic • Simone Fraser, Barrister, Mediator and FDRP, French Quarter Chambers, Gold Coast Qld
12.30 – 1.45pm	Lunch	
1.45 – 2.45pm	Session 6 – Child Inclusive Mediation	<p>Chair – Philip Looney KC, Barrister, Mediator and Specialist Family Law Arbitrator</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jon Graham, Director, Institute for Specialist Dispute Resolution and The International Centre for Children and Family Law • Rachael Hempling, Barrister, Mediator and FDRP, French Quarter Chambers, Gold Coast Qld • Senior Judicial Registrar Anne-Marie Rice, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia

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2.45 – 3.30pm	Session 7: Learning from each other <i>Short bites:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative law and mediation • FDRP • Parenting coordination 	<p>Chair – Jamie Burreket, Managing Director, Broun Abrahams Burreket Family Lawyers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan Abrams, Solicitor – Chief Counsel, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Collaborative Lawyer & Mediator, ATW Family Law • Vanessa Mathews, Accredited Family Law Specialist, FDRP, Mediator, Parenting Co-Ordinator, Director, Mathews Family Law and Mediation Specialists and Byron Bay Family Law and Mediation Specialists • Anne-Marie Cade, Lawyer, Mediator, Conflict Resolution Specialist and Parenting Coordinator, Divorce Right
3.30 – 4.00pm	Afternoon tea	
4.00 – 5.00pm	Session 8: Ethics panel	<p>Chair – Emma Swart, Chair, AIFLAM Conference Committee, Barrister, Nationally Accredited Mediator, Victorian Bar Advanced Mediator, FDRP and Family Law Arbitrator, Foley's List</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Judicial Registrar Anne-Marie Rice, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Greg Shoebridge, Barrister and Specialist Family Law Arbitrator, Inns of Court, Brisbane• Belle Lane, Barrister, Victorian Bar, Mediator and AIFLAM Trainer• Susan Abrams, Solicitor – Chief Counsel, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Collaborative Lawyer & Mediator, ATW Family Law• Debra Parker, Arbitrator and Collaborative Divorce Lawyer, Founding Director, Parker Coles Curtis
6.30 – 7.00pm	Pre-dinner drinks on the Rainforest Verandah	
7.00 – 10.00pm	Conference dinner on the Lawn	

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Sunday 29 October 2023

Session Time	Session Name	Speakers
8.30 – 9.00am	Arrival Tea and Coffee	
9.00 – 9.30am	Session 9: Arbitration and the Courts	<p>Chair – Andrew Davies, AIFLAM Chair, Mediator, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Specialist Family Law Arbitrator and Principal, O’Sullivan Davies</p> <p>The Hon. Justice Brasch, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Division 1</p>
9.30 – 10.45am	Session 10: Arbitration – State of the Nation	<p>Chair – Philip Looney KC, Barrister, Mediator and Specialist Family Law Arbitrator</p> <p>Panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rebecca Horsley, Barrister, Mediator, Arbitrator and FDRP, Inns of Court, Brisbane• Greg Shoebridge, Barrister and Specialist Family Law Arbitrator, Inns of Court, Brisbane• Henry Moser, Barrister, Arbitrator, Mediator, Stephen Thackray Chambers (via Zoom)

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aleasha Kelly, Assistant Director - Practice Management (Family Law & Civil), Legal Aid Queensland • Christopher Othen, Mediator, Arbitrator, Specialist Junior Counsel, Waratah Chambers
10.45 – 11.15am	Morning Tea	
11.15am – 12.45pm	Session 11: Where next with Arbitration?	<p>Chair – Emma Swart, Chair, AIFLAM Conference Committee, Barrister, Nationally Accredited Mediator, Victorian Bar Advanced Mediator, FDRP and Family Law Arbitrator, Foley's List</p> <p>Andrew Davies, AIFLAM Chair, Mediator, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Specialist Family Law Arbitrator and Principal, O' Sullivan Davies</p> <p>Philip Looney KC, Barrister, Mediator and Specialist Family Law Arbitrator</p> <p>The Hon. Michelle May AM KC, Mediator and Arbitrator</p>
12.45pm	Conference Close	<p>Andrew Davies, Chair, AIFLAM</p> <p>Emma Swart, Chair, AIFLAM Conference Committee</p>