

Conference Program

Thursday 6 November 2025

Session Time	Session Name	Speakers
4.30pm – 5.00pm	Registration Opens	
5.00pm - 5.30pm	AIFLAM 2025 AGM	
5.30pm – 7.00pm	Welcome Drinks on the Rainforest Verandah	
7.00pm Onwards	Reconnect with old friends, and make new ones – choose one of the great options to dine around Byron Bay	
	 Restaurant Bookings (for those delegates who have registered) 1. Pixie Food and Wine – 7.30pm Jonson Lane, Byron Bay 2. Light Years – 7.45pm 139 Jonson Street, Byron Bay 	



Friday 7 November 2025

Session Time	Session Name	Speakers
6.30am - 8.00am	 Enjoy an outdoor start to the day with one of the following activities: Yoga (6.30am - 7.30am) Beach walk Run Club 	
8.30am – 8.50am	Arrival Tea and Coffee	
8.50am- 9.00am	Welcome	Maurice Edwards, Chair, AIFLAM Conference Committee
9.00am - 10.30am	Family Law Arbitration – Can We Kick Start It?	 His Honour Justice Campton - Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Div 1 Senior Judicial Registrar Thiele - Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia The Honourable Steve Strickland KC, Barrister, Arbitrator and Mediator - Campbell Chambers, Adelaide Rebecca Horsley, Barrister, Mediator, Arbitrator and FDRP - Inns of Court, Brisbane
10.30am -11.00am	Morning Tea	
11.00am - 12.30pm	New and Developing Models of Mediation	 The Honourable Colin Forrest SC, Barrister, Mediator and Arbitrator Dr Darren Moroney - University of WA Mediation

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The First Light Byron Bay Conference 2025	
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		 Clinic Debra Parker, Mediator and Arbitrator - Founding Director, Parker Coles Curtis, Canberra Margaret Ross, Barrister, Mediator and Arbitrator – Campbell Chambers, Adelaide
12.30pm – 1.30pm	Lunch	
1.30pm – 3.00pm	Challenging Mediations and Coercive Controlling Parties	 Clare Rowe, Educational and Developmental Psychologist – Founding Director, Rowe and Associates, Sydney Lisanne Iriks, Mediator – Founding Director, Life Mediation and Co-founder of the Co-parenting Institute, Fremantle Prof Jill Howieson - University of WA Mediation Clinic
3.00pm – 3.30pm	Afternoon Tea	
3.30pm – 4.15pm	Developments in Collaborative Family Law Practice	Gloria Hawke, FDRP – Hawke Mediation and Co-founder of the Mediation Collective, Sydney
4.15pm – 5.00pm	Parenting Co-ordination, Family Law's New World Order	Shelby Timmins, FDRP – Divorce Done Differently, Sydney
5.00pm – 7.00pm	Free time	
7.00pm for 7.30pm	Conference dinner	



Saturday 8 November 2025

Session Time	Session Name	Speakers
6.30am - 8.00am	 Enjoy an outdoor start to the day with one of the following activities: Yoga (6.30am - 7.30am) Beach walk Run Club 	
8.30am - 9.00am	Arrival Tea and Coffee	
9.00am - 10.00am	Child Inclusive Mediation – It's Ruffling its Feathers, but can it Fly?	 Chanel Hughes, Mediator, FDRP and Consultant – Chanel Hughes Mediation and Consultation, Newcastle Bianca Roche-Bolger, Mediator, FDRP and Consultant – The Mediation Collective, Sydney
10.00am – 11.00am	Family Dispute Resolution and the FCFCOA	 Her Honour Judge Suthers - Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Senior Judicial Registrar Rice -Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia
11.00am - 11.30am	Morning Tea	
11.30am – 12.45pm	Family Dispute Resolution and AI	 Her Honour Judge Humphreys - Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia Christian Beck, CEO – LEAP Group
12.45pm	Conference Close	Emma Swart, Chair, AIFLAM