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**REFUGEE AND MIGRATION LAW – ADDRESSING  
VULNERABILITIES IN PROCESSES,  
SYSTEMS AND DECISION MAKING**

**A CONFERENCE FOR JUDGES AND DECISION-MAKERS IN PROTECTION AND MIGRATION MATTERS**



**PROGRAMME**

**Conference – Monday 25 - Tuesday 26 November 2024**

**Workshop – Wednesday, 27 November 2024**

**Peter McMullin Centre on Statelessness – University of Melbourne Law  
School – 185 Pelham Street, Carlton, Victoria**



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# IARMJ, ASIA PACIFIC BIENNIAL CONFERENCE 2024

Peter McMullin Centre on Statelessness – University of Melbourne Law School

CONFERENCE DAY 1 – Monday, 25 November 2024

8:30 – 9:30 (30m)	<b>Registration and coffee</b> <b>VENUE: GO1/Foyer (Conference Hub)</b>		
9:30 – 10:45 (1 hr 15m)	<b>Session 1 (Chair: Sean Baker, President, IARMJ Asia Pacific)</b> <b>Opening Ceremony</b> Welcome to Country Professor Michelle Foster, Dean of Law, University of Melbourne Chief Justice Debbie Mortimer, Federal Court of Australia – Vulnerabilities of Unrepresented Applicants Before the Courts Justice Emilios Kyrou, President ART – The ART and Vulnerable Applicants UNHCR <b>VENUE: GM15 (David P Derham Theatre)</b>		
10:45 – 11.30 (45m)	<b>Conference photo (photographer: TBD) and refreshments</b> <b>VENUE: University Square Park</b>		
11:30 – 12:30 (1 hr)	<b>Session 2 (Chair: Radha Govil, PMCS)</b> <b>Vulnerability, Harm and Mental Health</b> Bernard Sama: Addressing Harm in New Zealand Refugee and Protection Status Determination: A Therapeutic Jurisprudence Lens Frances Simmons and Chantal Bostock: Vulnerability and its Effect Upon Review Decision Making <b>VENUE: GM15 (David P Derham Theatre)</b>		
12:30 -1:30 (1 hr)	<b>Lunch</b> <b>VENUE: GO1/Foyer (Conference Hub)</b>		
1:30 -2:30 (1 hr)	<b>Session 3 (Chair: Justice Kyrou)</b> <b>Vulnerability and Resilience in the Courtroom and Afterwards</b> Upper Tribunal Judge Declan O’Callaghan, UKUT Simone Burford, ART <b>VENUE: GM15 (David P Derham Theatre)</b>		
2:30 – 3:30 (1 hr)	<b>Session 4 Breakout Sessions: Moderator – Simone Burford, ART</b>		
	<b>Statelessness – Citizenship laws and exclusion</b> • Anoshay Fazal LLS (AVL) • Sumedha Choudhury PMCS <b>VENUE: Room 221</b>	<b>Judicial resilience</b> • Judge Humphreys, FCFA • Jade Murphy, ART • Martha Roche, IPT <b>VENUE: Room 202</b>	<b>Perspectives of representatives on RSD</b> • Katie Robertson, PMCS • Hannah Dickinson • Sanmati Verma <b>VENUE: Room 223</b>
3:30 – 4:00 (30m)	<b>Refreshments</b> <b>VENUE: GO1/Foyer (Conference Hub)</b>		
4:00 – 5:00 (1 hr)	<b>Session 5 (Chair: former Judge Rolf Driver AM)</b> <b>Detention</b> S Taylor, H Dickinson, G Hoffstaedter, S Verma – Justice, Human Rights and Community Protection in the Aftermath of Indefinite Detention: Lessons from Canada, the UK and the EU Yukari Ando, Larissa Wakim, Alison Murphy – Developments and Case Studies Concerning Detention <b>VENUE: GM15 (David P Derham Theater)</b>		
7pm for 7.30pm	<b>Official Conference Dinner – University House, Woodward Centre</b>		

**CONFERENCE DAY 2 – Tuesday, 26 November 2024**

8.30 – 9.00	<b>Morning coffee and tea / President’s breakfast (by invitation)</b> <b>VENUE: GO1/Foyer (Conference Hub)</b>		
9:00 – 10:00 (1 hr)	<b>Session 6 (Chair: Judge Martin Treadwell, Chair, IPT)</b> <b>Credibility</b> Professor Hilary Evans Cameron – The PRE Project: Psychology Research Evidence in Refugee Status Decision-making (AVL) Panel discussion – Shahyar Roushan, ART / Andrew Molloy, IPT <b>VENUE: GM15 (David P Derham Theater)</b>		
10:00 – 11:00 (1 hr)	<b>Session 7 (Chair: Judge Maria J S-J (Joy) Torres, Philippines)</b> <b>Statelessness</b> Professor Michelle Foster and Katie Robertson, PMCS – Understanding Statelessness in Australian Law and Practice UNHCR <b>VENUE: GM15 (David P Derham Theater)</b>		
11:00 – 11:30 (30m)	<b>Refreshments</b> <b>VENUE: GO1/Foyer (Conference Hub)</b>		
11:30 – 12:30 (1 hr)	<b>Session 5 Breakout Sessions</b> <b>Moderator – TBD</b>		
11:30 – 12:30 (1 hr)	<b>Enhancements in the Protection of Refugees in Asia</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr Brian Barbour</li> </ul> <b>VENUE: Room 221</b>	<b>Gender and SOGI</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Louise Moor, IPT</li> <li>• Adrienne Anderson, ART</li> <li>• Jane Marquard, ART</li> </ul> <b>VENUE: Room 223</b>	<b>Developments in Refugee Law in Japan</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Naoko Hashimoto and Brian Aycok</li> <li>• Yasuzo Kitamura</li> </ul> <b>VENUE: Room 224</b>
12:30 – 1:45 (1 hr 15 mins)	<b>Women Judges Lunch (VENUE: Room 920)/ Lunch (VENUE: GO1/Foyer (Conference Hub))</b>		
1:45 – 2:45 (1hr)	<b>Session 9 (Chair: Sue Zelinka, ART)</b> <b>Resilience and Displacement</b> Professor Jane McAdam (AVL) and Dr Tamara Wood, UNSW – Guidance on the Application of International Protection Frameworks in the Context of Climate Change and Disasters <b>VENUE: GM15 (David P Derham Theater)</b>		
2:45 – 3:15 (30m)	<b>Refreshments</b> <b>VENUE: GO1/Foyer (Conference Hub)</b>		
3:15 – 4:15 (1 hr)	<b>Session 10 (Chairs: Christine Cody and UK Upper Tribunal Judge John Keith)</b> <b>Artificial Intelligence – Vulnerabilities and Opportunities</b> Dr Sandra Peter - Director of Sydney Executive Plus / Associate Professor, The University of Sydney (AVL) Professor Kai Riemer - Director of Sydney Executive Plus / Professor of Information Technology and Organisation, The University of Sydney (AVL) <b>VENUE: GM15 (David P Derham Theater)</b>		
4.15-4.45 (30 m)	<b>Drinks and Closing Event</b> <b>VENUE: GO1/Foyer (Conference Hub)</b>		
4.45 – 5.15 (30 m)	<b>Asia Pacific Chapter, Annual General Meeting</b>		

# CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

Venue: Room 202/203

Registration, catering: Humanitarian Lounge

Wednesday, 27 November 2024

8:15-8:45	<b>Check-in, Registration and Coffee</b>
8:45 – 9:00 (15 mins)	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> Sean Baker, President, IARMJ Asia Pacific
9:00-10:00 (1 hr)	<b>Relocation in the Internet Age: Social Media and the Right to Family Unity</b> Judge Martin Treadwell, IPT
10:00-11:00 (1 hr)	<b>Bad faith</b> Professor Lili Song, Otago University (tbc)
11:00-11:30 (30m)	<b>Morning Tea</b>
11:30-1:00 (1 hr, 30 mins)	<b>Questioning Techniques -- Plain English in Hearings</b> Sean Baker, ART
1:00-2:00	<b>Lunch</b>
2:00-3:00 (1 hr)	<b>Domestic Violence</b> Adrienne Anderson, ART
3:00-3:15 (15m)	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
3.15-4.15 (1 hr)	<b>Exclusion</b> Judge Declan O’Callaghan, UK Upper Tribunal
4:15-5:00 (45 mins)	<b>Q &amp; A Panel (Facilitator: Louise Moor, IPT)</b>
From 5:00pm	<b>Closing Drinks</b>

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