

Australian Conference Series, 2009

Mitigating Endemic Democratic Problems, MEDP

Take notice! Early bird special: register before August 31st, 2008, and save \$50.00 off the conference registration price. If you refer a friend, you save another \$50.00 for a total of \$100.00 savings. Please be sure to inform us of the name of your registering friend.

2000 places for delegates are available, the deadline for abstract submission is November 12, 2008, with the deadline for article submission December 12, 2008. If you think you have a way to improve any aspect of Australia, this conference is for you. Your paper -directed to a section, perhaps an Australian ministry of government or other - (if accepted) will have its main points published in a book chapter. The goal of the conference is to provide the Australian government and civil society with **practical (meaning realistic, immediately feasible) prescriptions** for their improvement. A list of all sections are provided at the end of this document. After the conference is finished, each section's body of work will be distributed to the appropriate government ministry, public libraries, major media bodies, larger NGOs of Australia, and larger university bodies. All sections will then be published into a volume(s) by a local university press and be available for purchase worldwide. This dispersion of practical and realizable information may improve Australia.

January 13-16, 2009, will host MEDP's Australian Conference Series to improve Australian government and society. All Australian government ministries will go under scrutiny (a list of them is available at the bottom of the page), as well as seven endemic problems with democracy which MEDP has identified, along with two auxiliary committees (chaired by TAFE professors and exceptional post-graduate engineering students to make technical recommendations) and a specialist committee (chaired by specialists in Australian government, society, and/or economy, to make in-depth specialist recommendations).

All university students, academic staff, professionals, or members of the general public with either (a) relevant work experience, (b) relevant university degrees, or (c) an excellent paper are welcome to submit abstracts or articles for our conferences. University, technical school, and high school students, as well as general population are eligible to participate as audience bodies. Unfortunately, conference language is in English at this time.

University professors, doctorate holders, or senior professionals (at least 10 years of experience) vested in Australian democracy, who specialize in Australian government, society, and/or economy are asked to present abstracts for the **specialist committee**.

The benefits of participating in this conference series are:

- 1) Sparking discussion and awareness of practical improvements may increase the Australian human condition.
- 2) You and your institution gain a conference proceedings publication, first class book chapter publication, and possibly a peer-reviewed journal article publication in MEDP's annual journal, *The International Abridgment of Democratic Improvement*.
- 3) Valuable discussion, networking, and the strengthening of civil society.

If you are aware of any persons (students, colleagues, friends, etc.) which may be interested in this interdisciplinary conference series, please forward this email. Below are the sections for the Australian Conference Series currently accepting abstracts and/or papers.

Australian Ministries and Other Sections (Headings)

Assistant Treasury and Ministry for Competition Policy and Consumer Affairs

Attorney-General

Ministry for Ageing

Ministry for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Ministry for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy

Ministry for Climate Change and Water

Ministry for Defence

Ministry for Defence Science and Personnel

Ministry for Education

Ministry for Employment and Workplace Relations

Ministry for Social Inclusion

Ministry for Employment Participation

Ministry for Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts

Ministry for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Ministry for Finance and Deregulation

Ministry for Foreign Affairs

Ministry for Health and Ageing

Ministry for Home Affairs

Ministry for Housing

Ministry for Status of Women

Ministry for Human Services

Ministry for Immigration and Citizenship

Ministry for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

Ministry for Resources and Energy, Minister for Tourism

Ministry for Sport

Ministry for Superannuation and Corporate Law

Ministry for Trade

Ministry for Veterans' Affairs

Ministry for Youth

Ministry for Innovation, Industry, Science and Research

Transparency in Australian Government?

Corruption in Australian Government?

Accountability in Australian Government?

Long-Term Goals, why don't Australian citizens agree with the government on long term goals for Australia?

Representation, are there flaws in this system?

Campaigning Methods, are elections equal for all runners?

Constitution, does it reflect Australia's pluralist society?

Auxiliary Committees - Are there areas of Australian technology, technical economy, agriculture, etc., that need improvement? How?

Specialist Committee - What are the most immediate pressing matters for improvement in Australia?

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