

## Program & Registration

# National General Assembly of Local Government 2017

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## Building Tomorrow's Communities

Australia's councils will play a critical role in shaping tomorrow's communities, both in our cities and towns and in regional Australia. Making our cities smarter, more efficient, more resilient and stronger is just one part of the role that local government will play.

Grab the opportunity to attend the National General Assembly to:

- Influence the national agenda
- Engage with federal politicians
- Shape policy and priorities
- Represent your council and community
- Have your say.

Join your metro, regional and rural council colleagues to help shape tomorrow's communities at the 2017 National General Assembly.

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AUSTRALIAN LOCAL  
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# Building Tomorrow's Communities



## PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Tomorrow's communities will be shaped by the ambition and drive of their people, and by the investments our governments make in their people, the infrastructure they rely on, and the places they live and work.

The theme of this year's National General Assembly (NGA) '*Building Tomorrow's Communities*' goes to the heart of the role of local government in modern Australia. Key presentations will address how councils, often working in partnership with other levels of government, or the private and not-for-profit sectors, are shaping the future and responding appropriately to the challenges that lie ahead.

Achieving great outcomes for every one of our communities requires decision-makers at all levels of government to listen and engage, to be clear in our objectives, to be agile, and to harness the ever-increasing range of data, knowledge and technology to ensure that their communities are best placed to innovate and seize the opportunities of tomorrow.

In the Australian context, governments at all levels must focus on creating an environment in which people and businesses can innovate and prosper, both in cities and the regions. Government service delivery needs to be targeted and responsive to the wide range of needs in communities, and appropriate infrastructure must be provided to drive increased productivity as well as social equity.

Increasingly, Local Governments are striving, wherever possible, to assist communities to be productive, innovative and entrepreneurial, to help build resilience, create jobs and increase overall prosperity at the local level.

The Australian Government has shown that it understands and appreciates that Local Government's strength lies in its capacity to identify and respond to local needs which are often diverse, complex and changing rapidly in response to evolving domestic and global pressures.

And as our focus on economic development grows, they can see that Local Government not only plays a significant role in the local and regional economy but increasingly in the national economy. I encourage you to explore this and other themes by attending the NGA, and by working with myself and the ALGA Board as we explore opportunities to strengthen the contribution that Local Government makes to creating the future.

The NGA offers an ideal opportunity to elevate local government issues to the Federal level. In recent years, Local Government, by developing partnerships with the Commonwealth, has successfully delivered over 55,000 road and community infrastructure projects. These projects have improved safety, productivity and community participation around the nation.

I have invited the Prime Minister, the Leader of the Opposition and the Leader of the Australian Greens to address the NGA so that you may hear directly from them about their vision for Australia and its local governments. The Minister for Local Government and Territories and the Assistant Minister for Cities and Digital Transformation have confirmed their participation at the NGA.

The NGA is also your opportunity to make sure that your council's view is reflected in the national priorities identified for Local Government.

The ALGA Board recently issued a call for motions for the NGA and these will set out the framework for debate. I would encourage you and your council to think through ideas or initiatives you would like to see debated at the NGA and to submit these as motions for the Assembly.

I invite you to be part of this important event, to network with your colleagues, to hear from our national leaders and to shape national policy, by registering for the National General Assembly to be held in Canberra from 18-21 June 2017.



**Mayor David O'Loughlin**  
ALGA PRESIDENT

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# National General Assembly of Local Government 2017

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

SUNDAY 18 JUNE	
5:00 pm	Welcome Reception

  

MONDAY 19 JUNE	
9:00 am	Opening Ceremony
9:10 am	ALGA President's Opening
9:20 am	<b>The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP,</b> Prime Minister (invited)
9:50 am	KEYNOTE SPEAKER <b>Laura Tingle</b>
10:30 am	MORNING TEA
11:00 am	<b>3D City Infrastructure Modelling</b> <b>Mayor Mark Jamieson,</b> Sunshine Coast Council
11:20 am	PANEL SESSION <b>Building Tomorrow's Communities</b>
12:30 pm	LUNCH
1:30 pm	PANEL SESSION <b>Governing into the future</b>
3:00 pm	AFTERNOON TEA
3:30 pm	Debate on Motions
4:30 pm	<b>The Hon Bill Shorten MP,</b> Leader of the Opposition (invited)
5:00 pm	Close
7:00 pm	DINNER

TUESDAY 20 JUNE	
9:00 am	<b>Senator the Hon Fiona Nash,</b> Minister for Local Government and Territories
9:30 am	PANEL SESSION <b>Building Liveable Communities</b>
10:30 am	MORNING TEA
11:00 am	<b>The Hon Angus Taylor MP,</b> Assistant Minister for Cities and Digital Transformation
11:30 am	Debate on Motions
12:30 pm	LUNCH
1:30 pm	PANEL SESSION <b>Empowering Indigenous Communities</b>
3:00 pm	AFTERNOON TEA
3:30 pm	Debate on Motions
4:30 pm	The Australian Greens, <b>Senator Richard Di Natale</b> (invited)
5:00 pm	Close
7:00 pm	OFFICIAL DINNER Parliament House

WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE	
9:00 am	PANEL SESSION <b>City Deals</b>
10:00 am	Delegate Workshop
10:30 am	MORNING TEA
11:00 am	National Policy Initiatives
11:30 am	PANEL SESSION <b>Harnessing tomorrow's technology</b>
12:30 pm	Delegate Workshop
1:00 pm	ALGA President's Close

## SPONSORS



# Regional Cooperation & Development Forum 2017



# RCDF17

18 JUNE  
2017

## RCDF 2017 Preliminary Program

SUNDAY 18 JUNE	
9.30am	ALGA President's Welcome
9.40am	KEYNOTE ADDRESS
10.30am	GOVERNMENT ADDRESS <b>Senator the Hon Fiona Nash</b> , Minister for Regional Development (invited)
11.00am	MORNING TEA
11.30am	<b>Intelligent Communities</b> <b>Brian Lee-Archer</b> , Director, SAP Institute for Digital Government
11.45am	PANEL SESSION <b>The National Perspective</b>
12.30pm	LUNCH
1.30pm	Regional Industry Case Study
2.00pm	WORKSHOP <b>The Regional Perspective</b>
3.00pm	AFTERNOON TEA
3.30pm	Opposition Address
4.00pm	ALGA President's Close

## Pillars of Growth

The 2017 Regional Forum is a vital opportunity for mayors, councillors and other key decision-makers from metropolitan, regional, rural and remote councils to gather together in the National Capital, to share their knowledge and experience in building substantive local and regional capacity.

The past year has continued to see major global and domestic challenges impacting Australia's economy and social fabric. The need to lift Australia's productivity levels remains high on the agenda of both industry and governments. But what does this mean for Australia's geographically diverse regions? This year's Forum will revisit the question of boosting productivity and discuss the changing face of industry, investment in technology, and employment growth.

This year's Forum will provide delegates with an opportunity to hear from the Minister for Regional Development on current policy and program initiatives and a select number of case studies on inspiring regional development projects. Facilitated roundtables will also allow delegates to discuss regional challenges impacting agri-tourism, telecommunications, training and education, infrastructure and resource management.

The Forum will see the launch of the 2017-18 *State of the Regions* Report that will build on previous years' research and deliver the latest economic data and insights into the productivity capacities of regions throughout Australia when examined through a multi industry-sectoral lens. The *State of the Regions* Summary Report is made available specifically for the delegates attending the Forum and is included in the registration cost.



## KEY DATES

**Submission of Motions for Debate 21 April 2017**

**Early bird registration on or before 5 May 2017**

**Standard registration on or before 2 June 2017**

**Late registration after 2 June 2017**

## MOTIONS FOR DEBATE

The NGA is an important opportunity for you and your council to influence the national policy agenda.

To be eligible for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers, and subsequent debate on the floor of the NGA, motions must meet the following criteria:

1. be relevant to the work of local government nationally;
2. be consistent with the themes of the NGA;
3. complement or build on the policy objectives of your State and Territory Local Government Association;
4. be submitted by a council which is a financial member of their state or territory local government association;
5. propose a clear action and outcome; and
6. not be advanced on behalf of external third parties that may seek to use the NGA to apply pressure to Board members or to gain national political exposure for positions that are not directly relevant to the work of, or in the national interests of, local government.

To assist you to identify motions that address the theme of the NGA, the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) Secretariat has prepared a short discussion paper. Motions should be lodged electronically using the online form available on the NGA website at: [www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au). All motions

require, among other things, a contact officer, a clear national objective, a summary of the key arguments in support of the motion, and endorsement of your council. Motions should be received by ALGA no later than 11:59pm on Friday 21 April 2017.

Motions submitted will be reviewed by a committee of the ALGA Board as well as by State and Territory Local Government Associations, to determine their eligibility for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers. When reviewing motions, the Committee considers the importance and relevance of the issue to local government.

Please note that motions should not be prescriptive in directing how the matter should be pursued. Any motion deemed to be primarily concerned with local or state issues will be referred to the relevant State/Territory Local Government Association, and will not be included in the Business Papers.

Motions that are agreed to at the National General Assembly become Resolutions. These Resolutions are then considered by the ALGA Board when setting national local government policy and when the Board is making representations to the Federal Government at Ministerial Councils, during meetings and in ALGA publications. The ALGA Board is not bound by any resolutions passed at the NGA.

## VOTING PROCEDURES

Each council is entitled to one voting delegate in the debating session. Councils will need to determine who their voting delegate will be. Voting cards can be collected at the Assembly. Councils do not need to advise ALGA of the name of the voting delegate prior to collecting voting cards.



## SPEAKER PROFILES



### The Hon Malcolm Turnbull MP

Prime Minister of Australia

Malcolm Turnbull became the 29th Prime Minister of Australia on 15 September 2015 and was sworn in for a second term on 19 July 2016.

Mr Turnbull was elected to Federal Parliament as the Member for Wentworth in 2004.

Since entering public life, Mr Turnbull has held a number of parliamentary positions including Shadow Treasurer, Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister with responsibility for national water policy and Minister for Environment and Water Resources.

He was Leader of the Opposition from 16 September 2008 to 1 December 2009 and was later Shadow Minister for Communications and Broadband.

Most recently, Mr Turnbull was Minister for Communications from 18 September 2013 to 21 September 2015.

Malcolm was educated at Vaucluse Public School and Sydney Grammar School and graduated from Sydney University with a BA LLB. He was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship and completed a further law degree at Oxford.

He is married to Lucy, and has two adult children, Alex and Daisy, and two grandchildren, Jack and Isla.



### The Hon Bill Shorten MP

Leader of the Opposition

Bill Shorten is the Federal Member for Maribyrnong and was elected leader of the Australian Labor Party and Leader of the Opposition on 13 October 2013.

Mr Shorten completed a Bachelors' degree in Arts and Law from Monash University, as well as an MBA from the Melbourne Business School.

Bill has since worked as a union organiser, union secretary, as a member of the ACTU executive, as a Member of Parliament and as a Minister in a Labor Government.

As a senior member of the Rudd/Gillard Labor Governments, Bill played a key role in securing a number of historic reforms including establishing the National Disability Insurance Scheme and increasing universal superannuation to 12 per cent.

As Minister for Workplace Relations, Bill continued the Labor Government's ongoing commitment to a fair and productive workplace relations system and during his time as Minister for Education helped secure the Better Schools reforms.

Prior to entering Parliament, Bill worked at the Australian Workers' Union, holding key leadership positions including State Secretary of the AWU Victoria Branch from 1998 to 2006 and National Secretary from 2001 to 2007.



### The Hon Angus Taylor MP

Assistant Minister for Cities and Digital Transformation, Federal Member for Hume

Angus Taylor entered politics in 2013 when he was elected as the Liberal Federal Member for Hume in NSW.

Building on his background in economics, Angus was appointed to parliamentary committees on employment, trade and investment, and public accounts. He was also chair of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties.

Angus was promoted to Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister with special responsibility for Cities and Digital Transformation in February 2016. He was reappointed to the frontbench after the 2016 Federal election.

Angus' portfolios stretch across the whole of government to improve city liveability and tackle long standing issues of traffic congestion, housing affordability and the need to create jobs closer to where people live. He has a focus on regional cities and outer suburban cities.

Angus has a Bachelor of Economics (First Class Honours and University Medal) and a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from the University of Sydney. He also has a Master of Philosophy in Economics from Oxford, where he studied as a Rhodes Scholar. His thesis was in the field of competition policy.



### Senator Dr Richard Di Natale

Leader of the Australian Greens

Dr Richard Di Natale is the leader of the Australian Greens. He was elected to the Federal Parliament in 2010 and is the Greens' first Victorian senator. His portfolios include health, multiculturalism, youth, gambling and sport.

Prior to entering parliament, Richard was a general practitioner and public health specialist. He worked in Aboriginal health in the Northern Territory, on HIV prevention in India and in the drug and alcohol sector. His key health priorities include preventative health, public dental care and responding to the health impacts of climate change.

Richard's achievements in parliament so far include securing almost \$5 billion towards Medicare-funded dentistry, winning a campaign to divest \$250 million worth of tobacco stocks from the Future Fund, and spearheading Senate inquiries into many issues of public significance such as dying with dignity, superbugs, hospital funding, budget cuts, medicinal cannabis, air pollution, pharmaceutical transparency, sports science and gambling reform.



### Senator Fiona Nash

Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories and Regional Communications

Fiona Nash was elected as a Nationals Senator for New South Wales in the 2004 federal election and her term began on 1 July 2005.

As a Senator for The Nationals, Fiona's overriding focus is to ensure that communities throughout regional, rural and remote NSW receive the investment and services they deserve.

Fiona has held a number of different roles within the NSW Nationals. Her experience in the party has included serving as branch chairman, becoming a member of the party's State Executive as well as being a delegate to Federal Council.

Since becoming a Senator she has served as The Nationals Whip in the Senate, Deputy Leader of The Nationals in the Senate and in February 2016 she was elected by her parliamentary colleagues as Deputy Leader of The Nationals.

Fiona's other parliamentary roles have included Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Water Resources and Conservation, Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Education, Assistant Minister for Health and Minister for Rural Health.



### Laura Tingle

Journalist and author

The *Australian Financial Review's* political editor Laura Tingle has reported politics from the Canberra press gallery for almost thirty years, after beginning her career in Sydney reporting on the financial markets and economics. She is the author of *Chasing the Future* – a book about the recession of the early 1990s – and two Quarterly Essays: *Great Expectations: Government, entitlement and an angry nation* (2012) and *Political Amnesia: How we forgot how to govern* (2015). She has won both Walkley and Lyneham Awards for Journalism.



## PANEL SESSIONS

### Building Tomorrow's Communities

Australian cities and regions are increasingly part of the global trend to become technologically more advanced.

Local government plays a key role in planning, coordinating, facilitating and providing local infrastructure and services. The sector also has a key role in advocating on behalf of its community in the interest of its local community. In fulfilling these roles, councils must have processes in place and robust systems to develop a clear understanding of the community's aspirations and needs in order to develop a strong vision for the future.

Much has been written on the importance of the digital transformation process that Australia, like many other developed countries in the world, is now under-going. New technologies are disrupting an increasing number of business processes, and the nature and range of businesses and industry are changing. Products and services once thought of as enduring and core business by enterprises, are now seen to be vulnerable to changes. They can be replaced or made redundant by technology, changing tastes, patterns of consumption and indeed community needs.

New data and information sources are evolving and continue to be developed at an ever-increasing pace. This data and information can inform decision-making, create opportunities and support communities in ways that cannot even be imagined. To assist our communities to be engaged, productive, innovative and cohesive, councils have a role in ensuring that the adoption of technology is approached in a strategic manner.

This session will explore the role of local government in shaping tomorrow's future and the issues that councils may need to consider in the context of changing technology, the availability of information and data and decision-making frameworks.

### Governing into the future

Good governance is a fundamental component of democracy. Good governance ensures that decision-makers are accountable to the people they serve, and that decisions that affect stakeholders are robust, appropriate to relevant circumstances, and cognisant of the future.

Good governance is: accountable; transparent; follows the rule of law; is responsive; equitable and inclusive; effective, efficient and participatory.

Australia's governance institutions, structures and procedures are comparatively good by global standards however, they have evolved over many decades and must be kept under constant review to ensure that they remain fit for purpose. For example, there is increasing recognition and acceptance of the need to act on improving gender equity and cultural diversity in councils as well as across the community.

The environment in which all levels of government operate, including local government, is changing rapidly. Increasing globalisation and connectivity extends the range of stakeholders and provides opportunities to engage these stakeholders in decision-making in new and innovative ways.

This panel discussion will provide you with insights into opportunities to strengthen governance in councils to maximise community involvement and to extend the value provided by reference groups that support and inform councils.

### Building Liveable Communities

Continuing to enhance the liveability of Australian communities is core business for all governments, especially at the local and regional level.

Liveable communities are those that offer a high quality of life that support the health and wellbeing of the people who live, study and work in them. Liveable cities and towns are socially

inclusive, affordable, accessible, and are healthy and safe. They also feature attractive built and natural environments, and have a distinctive sense of place and character.

Local government provides the most accessible level of government for local communities. Councils hold knowledge about local community needs and desires, and are able to provide a place based mechanism by which to resolve, balance and implement competing policy objectives. They also complement the delivery of programs and services provided by the Commonwealth, state and territory governments.

Whilst councils are well placed to respond to the complex challenges facing our communities, the task of building and maintaining vibrant communities is far from easy.

This session will draw on leading experts in a thought provoking and challenging discussion looking at the diversity of factors that make communities liveable and will also examine the range of policy levers and interventions that may be worth investigation.

### Empowering Indigenous Communities

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the successful 1967 Referendum to amend the Constitution to include Aboriginal people in the census and allow the Commonwealth to make laws for them.

While it is important to recognise this important milestone, it also serves as a reminder of the challenges faced by so many urban, regional and remote Indigenous Australians. The recent release of the Closing the Gap report shows that while progress is being achieved in some areas, in many areas change is inconsistent and slow.

Local government recognises the need for a partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples at all levels of government to address the needs of the first Australians and the communities in which they live.





The 2017 National General Assembly is focused on discussing how we create the communities of tomorrow. This is not a simple proposition, every community is unique, and therefore there is no one-size-fits-all approach to address disadvantage. Join in this discussion which examines Commonwealth approaches to Indigenous affairs, and how the issues affecting all Australian citizens can be considered and heard.

## City Deals

The Australian Government has recently focused greater attention on the important role of cities, and the need to work with the states and territories, local government and the private sector to ensure that they remain liveable, sustainable, accessible and productive. Great cities attract, retain and develop increasingly mobile talent and organisations, encouraging them to innovate, create jobs and support sustainable growth.

The Australian Government's Smart Cities Plan aims to position our cities to prosper in the globalised world of the 21st Century. City Deals between the Australian Government, state and/or territory governments, and local governments are aimed at making our cities better places to live in and do business. Through City Deals, governments, industry and communities will develop collective plans for growth and commit to the actions, investments, reforms and governance needed to implement them.

The Government has committed to early deals for Townsville, Launceston and Western Sydney and is currently investigating and negotiating on other opportunities in other parts of Australia. This session will allow you to hear from the Mayors involved in this process and investigate the value of more councils entering into such agreements.

## Harnessing tomorrow's technology – identifying and investing in tomorrow's foundations

The current focus on smart cities looks at harnessing smart technology to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of cities. Real-time traffic management, real-time energy consumption, efficient lighting, integrated public transport systems and extensive data collecting sensors are all examples of smart technology.

The smart cities agenda isn't just focused on large cities. The approaches and ideas can be applied to smaller cities, regions and towns. For councils of all sizes the opportunities technology brings to enhancing service provision and communication for your community are vital for the future development of your community.

Smart Cities are not just about smart technologies. Harnessing tomorrow's technology will require new skill sets, different ways of operating and potentially different decision-making processes. Councils will need to develop in-house skills and or develop networks of trusted advisors to provide input to aid decision-makers in determining what technologies are appropriate, relevant and how these can be used to benefit the community.

Join in this discussion to gain a better appreciation of the need for strong local government leadership, prioritisation and investment in technology and infrastructure to position your community for tomorrow.

## ASSOCIATED EVENTS

### Australian Local Government Women's Association Breakfast

MONDAY 19 JUNE 2017

7:15am-8:15am

The ALGWA National President is pleased to invite members, friends and colleagues to our Annual Networking Breakfast as part of the National General Assembly. The hot Outback Breakfast will be held from 7:15-8:15am on Monday 18 June.

Seating is strictly limited and bookings should be done through: [www.trybooking.com/PCJT](http://www.trybooking.com/PCJT)

Details of the guest speaker are available at [www.algwa.net.au](http://www.algwa.net.au)



### Australian Rural Road Group

TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2017

12:30-1:30pm

The work of the ARRG group over the last few years has produced high quality data to inform better policy making and our publications are often quoted by politicians and industry. We continue to have strong support from Infrastructure Australia, remaining constant through a change of government, a sure sign that we are on the right road. Pardon the pun.

We have been instrumental in changing the atmosphere around road funding and we are now hearing words like 'productivity based funding', 'measurable road data', 'first/last mile', and with the future construction of the Inland Rail, accurate information and informed planning will become even more vital for the supporting road networks.





## REGISTRATION DETAILS

### General Assembly Registration Fees

**EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION**  
**\$929**

*Payment received on or before Friday 5 May 2017*

**STANDARD REGISTRATION**  
**\$1,029**

*Payment received on or before Friday 2 June 2017*

**LATE REGISTRATION**  
**\$1,250**

*Payment received after Friday 2 June 2017*

General Assembly Registration  
Includes

- Attendance at all General Assembly sessions
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea as per the General Assembly program
- One ticket to the Welcome Drinks, Sunday
- General Assembly satchel and materials.

### Day Registration Fees

**MONDAY 19 JUNE 2017**  
**\$489**

**TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2017**  
**\$489**

**WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE 2017**  
**\$280**

Day Registration Includes

- Attendance at all General Assembly sessions on the day of registration
- Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea as per the General Assembly program on that day
- General Assembly satchel and materials.

### Sunday Regional Development Forum (Sunday 18 June 2017)

**FORUM ONLY**  
**\$425**

**NGA DELEGATE**  
**\$225**

### Accompanying Partners Registration Fees

**ACCOMPANYING PARTNERS  
REGISTRATION FEE**  
**\$260**

Accompanying Partners  
Registration Includes

- 1 ticket to the Welcome Reception, Sunday 18 June
- Day tour Monday 19 June
- Day tour Tuesday 20 June
- Lunch with General Assembly Delegates on Wednesday 21 June.



## SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

### Payment Procedures

Payment can be made by:

- Credit card: MasterCard, Visa
- Cheque made payable to ALGA
- Electronic Funds Transfer:  
Bank: Commonwealth  
Branch: Curtin BSB No: 062905  
Account No: 10097760

NOTE: If paying via EFT you must quote your transaction reference number on the registration form.

### Cancellation Policy

All alterations or cancellations to your registration must be made in writing and will be acknowledged by email.

Notification should be sent to:

Conference Co-ordinators  
PO Box 4994, Chisholm ACT 2905  
Email [conference@confco.com.au](mailto:conference@confco.com.au)

An administration charge of \$110 will be made to any participant cancelling before Friday 5 May 2017.

Cancellations received after Friday 5 May 2017 will be required to pay full registration fees. However, if you are unable to attend, substitutes are welcome at no additional cost.

By submitting your registration you agree to the terms of the cancellation policy.

### Privacy Disclosure

ALGA collects your personal contact information in its role as a peak body for local government. ALGA may disclose your personal contact information to the sponsors of the event for the purposes of commercial business opportunities. If you consent to ALGA using and disclosing your personal contact information in this way, please tick the appropriate box on the registration form. Importantly, your name may also be included in the General Assembly List of Participants. You must tick the appropriate box on the registration form if you wish your name to appear in this list.

### Photographs

During the National General Assembly there will be a contracted photographer, the photographer will take images during the sessions and social functions. If you have your picture taken it is assumed that you are giving consent for ALGA to use the image.

Images may be used for print and electronic publications.

### Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening

SUNDAY 18 JUNE 2017

#### National Convention Centre

5:00-7:00 pm

\$50 per person for day delegates and guests.

No charge for full registered delegates.

No charge for registered accompanying partners.

**DRESS CODE** Smart casual.

### Buffet Dinner

MONDAY 19 JUNE 2017

#### The Ballroom, National Convention Centre

7:00-11:00 pm

\$100 per person.

**DRESS CODE** Smart casual.

Coaches will depart Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza) at approximately 6:45 pm with return shuttles commencing from 10:15 pm.

### General Assembly Dinner

TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2017

#### The Great Hall, Parliament House

7:00-11:00 pm

\$130 per person.

**DRESS CODE** lounge suit/collar and tie for men and cocktail style for women.

Tickets to the prestigious General Assembly Annual Dinner at Parliament House are always highly sought after. Due to the size of the Great Hall, places are limited and therefore booking early is highly recommended to ensure your place. Coaches will depart all Assembly hotels at approximately 6:45 pm with return shuttles commencing from 10:15 pm.

Note: Bookings are accepted in order of receipt.

### Canberra weather in June

Winter days in Canberra are characterised by clear sunny skies but the days are cool at around 12-15°C and temperatures do drop to 1°C on average in the evenings, so be sure to bring a warm jacket. Mornings can be foggy so keep this in mind when booking flights.

It is best to avoid early arrivals or departures in case of flight delays due to fog.



## VENUE AND DRESS CODE

### Exhibition Opening and Welcome Reception

**VENUE** National Convention Centre,  
Constitution Ave, Canberra City.

**DRESS CODE** Smart casual.

### General Assembly Business Sessions

**VENUE** National Convention Centre,  
Constitution Ave, Canberra City.

All plenary sessions will be held in  
the Royal Theatre at the National  
Convention Centre.

**DRESS CODE** Smart casual.

### Exhibition

**VENUE** National Convention Centre,  
Constitution Ave, Canberra City.

The exhibition is being held in the  
Exhibition Hall of the National  
Convention Centre.

**DRESS CODE** Smart casual.

### Buffet Dinner

**VENUE** The dinner is being held  
in the Ballroom at the National  
Convention Centre.

**DRESS CODE** Smart casual.

### General Assembly Dinner

**VENUE** Parliament House.

The General Assembly Dinner is  
being held in the Great Hall.

**DRESS CODE** Lounge suit/collar  
and tie for men and cocktail style  
for women.

## PARTNER TOURS



DAY 1

MONDAY 19 JUNE

### Canberra Sightseeing Cruise

Enjoy the tranquillity of Lake Burley  
Griffin while we cruise around some  
of Canberra's best sights including  
the National Museum of Australia,  
the Carillon, the National Library  
and the High Court of Australia.  
After lunch you will have time to  
stroll around the Manuka shopping  
precinct or head back to your hotel  
(shuttle returns will be provided).



DAY 2

TUESDAY 20 JUNE

### Canberra Homesteads

Today we visit two of Canberra's  
Homesteads, Tuggeranong  
Homestead and Lanyon Homestead.  
Both homesteads have been  
owned by the Cunningham family  
for over 50 years. Lunch will be at  
Lanyon Homestead surrounded by  
beautifully landscaped gardens.

After lunch we travel to the National  
Gallery of Australia to see the  
Cartier Exhibition, which showcases  
the world's most exquisite jewels  
as well as Defying Empire, National  
Indigenous Art Triennial Exhibition,  
with 30 Aboriginal and Torres Strait  
Islander artists from across the  
country showcasing their work.



## ACCOMMODATION

To book your accommodation at the rates listed below, complete the appropriate section of the registration form. Bookings are subject to availability and should be made prior to Friday 5 May 2017. All cancellations or amendments must be made in writing to Conference Co-ordinators and will be acknowledged by facsimile. Please note your credit card details are required to guarantee your room. Neither Conference Co-ordinators nor the hotel will make any charges against your credit card unless you fail to give 21 days notice in writing of your cancellation. Full payment of your account will be required at the time of your departure.

Note: All Canberra hotels have a complete non-smoking policy.

### Crowne Plaza

1 Binara Street, Canberra

The Crowne Plaza is adjacent to the Convention Centre and only a short walk from restaurants, bars and the main shopping district. Featuring a contemporary design, the Crowne Plaza provides guests with an outdoor pool, sauna, health/fitness centre, 24-hour reception, concierge, undercover parking and onsite dining at the RedSalt Restaurant. All rooms are non-smoking and include iron/ironing board, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and room service is available.

Superior Room: **\$305** per night  
single/twin/double

Deluxe Room: **\$355** per night  
single/twin/double

### Avenue Hotel

80 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

Opened in November 2014, the Avenue Hotel is Canberra's newest and only 5-star hotel in the CBD. The hotel has an onsite restaurant and bar, 24-hour reception and room service, gymnasium, undercover parking (charges apply per night) and guest lounge with free wifi. Offering hotel rooms, 1 and 2 bedroom apartments, all rooms have king size beds, rainfall showers, balconies and mini bar. The apartments also have full kitchen facilities, the Avenue is a 15-20 minute walk from the Convention Centre.

Superior King Room: **\$240** per night  
single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartment: **\$280** per night  
single/double

### Mantra

84 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

Mantra on Northbourne is centrally located and approximately a 15-20 minute walk from the National Convention Centre. The hotel features a heated indoor pool, sauna, fully-equipped gymnasium and the Zipp restaurant bar onsite. All rooms offer voice mail, individually controlled air-conditioning, pay per view movies, mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, hairdryer and complimentary toiletries. One and two bedroom apartments also offer a separate lounge and dining area, fully-equipped kitchen and a laundry with washing machine, dryer, iron and ironing board.

Hotel Room: **\$227** per night  
single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartment: **\$269** per night  
single/twin/double

### Medina Apartment Hotel James Court

74 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

The Medina Apartments Hotel James Court is approximately a 15-20 minute walk from the National Convention Centre and is close to cafes, restaurants, gyms and shopping. The hotel offers reception, undercover parking, outdoor heated swimming pool, sauna, gymnasium and a restaurant delivery service. All rooms feature private balconies, climate controlled air conditioning, separate lounge/dining areas, broadband access (for a fee), spa bath, mini bar, fully equipped kitchen facilities and an in-room safe.

Note: Reception operates between the hours of 6.30am and 11.30pm.

1 Bedroom Apartment: **\$210** per night  
single/twin/double

2 Bedroom Apartment: **\$260** per night  
single/twin/double

### Novotel

65 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

Located on Northbourne Avenue, one of Canberra's main thoroughfares, the Novotel is a 15 minute walk from the National Convention Centre. The hotel offers 24-hour reception and room service, an onsite restaurant and bar, gymnasium and undercover parking (charges apply per night). In-room facilities include mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, broadband (for a fee), Fox Sports and News, pay per view movies, climate control air conditioning, hairdryer, iron and ironing board. Executive rooms have a king size bed.

Standard Room: **\$270** per night  
single/twin/double

Executive Room: **\$300** per night  
single/twin/double



## Qt Hotel

1 London Circuit, Canberra

Qt Hotel Canberra has recently been renovated throughout the foyer and restaurants. The rooms have been updated and offer balconies and high speed internet (for a fee), pay per view movies, mini bar, hairdryer, iron and ironing board. The hotel is a 15 minute walk to the National Convention Centre and has 24-hour reception, room service, onsite restaurant and bar.

Standard Room: **\$249** per night single/twin/double

## Waldorf

2 Akuna Street, Canberra

Located in the heart of Canberra's CBD, the Waldorf is only a couple minutes walk from the National Convention Centre. This hotel has 24-hour reception and provides guests with a gymnasium, indoor heated lap pool and onsite dining at the Waldorf London Restaurant.

All rooms have kitchen and laundry facilities, in room safe, dining table and chairs, complimentary cable TV, pay per view movies, high speed internet service (for a fee) and room service is available. One bedroom apartments also offer a separate lounge/dining area.

Studio Apartment: **\$200** per night single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartment: **\$220** per night single twin/double

## COACH TRANSFERS

### Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening

**SUNDAY 18 JUNE 2017**

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 4:45 pm. The return coaches will depart at 7:00 pm.

#### **Daily Shuttles to and from the National Convention Centre**

A shuttle service between all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) and the National Convention Centre will operate between 8:00 am and 8:30 am. Return shuttles will depart the National Convention Centre at 5:00 pm.

### Buffet Dinner National Convention Centre

**MONDAY 19 JUNE 2017**

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 6:45 pm. A return shuttle service will commence at 10:15 pm.

### General Assembly Annual Dinner Parliament House

**TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2017**

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (including Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 6:45 pm. A return shuttle service will operate between 10:15 pm and 11:15 pm.

## CAR PARKING

Parking for delegates is available underneath the National Convention Centre for a cost of approximately \$19.00 per day. Alternatively, voucher public parking is available 300m from the Centre at a cost of approximately \$15.70 per day. The voucher machines accept either coins or credit cards (Visa or MasterCard).

# REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTER ONLINE  
WWW.ALGA.ASN.AU

Multiple delegates > photocopy form  
Register online, download PDF or return this form to:

Conference Co-ordinators  
PO Box 4994 Chisholm ACT 2905  
Phone (02) 6292 9000 Fax (02) 6292 9002  
Email nga@confca.com.au

By submitting your registration you agree to the terms and conditions of the cancellation policy

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## PERSONAL DETAILS

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SURNAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(Cr/Ald/Mayor/Other)

POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL/ORGANISATION \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SUBURB \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ POSTCODE \_\_\_\_\_

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EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

NAME FOR BADGE \_\_\_\_\_

How did you find out about the General Assembly?  ALGA  State/Territory Association  Council Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIVACY DISCLOSURE**  I DO consent to my name appearing in the 2017 General Assembly List of Participants booklet (name, organisation and state only disclosed) as outlined in the privacy disclosure on page 11.

I DO consent to ALGA disclosing my personal contact information as outlined in the privacy disclosure on page 11.

## REGISTRATION FEES

### GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGISTRATION FEES

Please note registration does NOT include attendance at the Regional Cooperation and Development Forum

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FEES (payment received on or before 5 May 2017) . . . . .  \$929.00  
STANDARD REGISTRATION FEES (payment received on or before 2 June 2017) . . . . .  \$1,029.00  
LATE REGISTRATION FEES (payment received after 2 June 2017). . . . .  \$1,250.00  
DAY REGISTRATION FEES  Monday 19 June \$489.00  Tuesday 20 June \$489.00  Wednesday 21 June \$280.00

### REGIONAL CO-OPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT FORUM REGISTRATION FEES

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM ONLY Registration fee . . . . .  \$425.00  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATE Registration fee . . . . .  \$225.00  
STATE OF THE REGIONS REPORT 2017-18 (Single licence). . . . .  \$240.00  
STATE OF THE REGIONS REPORT 2017-18 (Organisational licence) . . . . .  \$700.00

### ACCOMPANYING PARTNERS REGISTRATION FEES

REGISTERED ACCOMPANYING PARTNER Name for lapel badge: \_\_\_\_\_ . .  \$260.00

## SOCIAL FUNCTIONS INCLUDED IN FEES

One ticket to each of the following functions is included in the full General Assembly registration and/or accompanying partners registration fee. Please confirm if you will be attending by placing a tick in the appropriate boxes. To purchase additional tickets to any of the following functions please indicate the number required and complete the total amount payable.

## REGISTERED DELEGATES AND PARTNERS

### WELCOME RECEPTION AND EXHIBITION OPENING (SUNDAY 18 JUNE 2017)

I/we will attend:  Delegate  Partner Number of additional tickets  @ \$50.00 each . . . . Total \$

### REGISTERED PARTNERS

Day 1 · Canberra Sightseeing Cruise (Monday 19 June 2017)

I will attend:  Partner Number of additional tickets  @ \$110.00 each . . . . Total \$

Day 2 · Canberra Homesteads (Tuesday 20 June 2017)

I will attend:  Partner Number of additional tickets  @ \$110.00 each . . . . Total \$

