

National Mediation Conference (NMC) 2023 – Provisional Programme

As at 11 August 2023

Sunday, 3 September 2023

10.00	Pre-conference Workshops
17.00	Conference Registration Opens
18.00 -19.30	<p>Welcome Reception Level 4, Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa (55 Cable Street, Wellington) Cultural Welcome</p> <p>(Signs of a Nation, Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa) Drinks on arrival while you orient yourself with this incredible space.</p>

DAY 1 – Monday, 4 September 2023

08.00	<p>Registration Desk Open Level 1, Tākina Convention Centre</p>				
09.00 – 10.15	<p>PLENARY SESSION 1 Room: Rongomātāne A&B, Level 1 Chair:</p>				
09.00 – 09.30	<p>CONFERENCE OPENING & OFFICIAL WELCOME Mihi Whakatau - Opening from Mana Whenua and NMC Welcome Address</p>				
09.30 – 10.15	<p>KEYNOTE ADDRESS 1 Dr John Waldon Utu - Crafting a Balance</p>				
10.15 – 11.00	Morning Tea & Exhibition				
11.00 – 12.30	CONCURRENT SESSION 1				
Room	Rongomātāne C	Mākaro	Mokopuna	Matiu	Rongomātāne A&B
	Session 1.1: Workplace/Employment	Session 1.2: Conciliation	Session 1.3: Research, Training, Education	Session 1.4: First Nations, Peace-making, RJ	Session 1.5: FDR
11.00	Turning Conflict into an Opportunity for Gender Equality, Cultural Safety and Transformation Karen Iles	Conciliation Essentials: a primer for aspiring conciliators Justin Toohey	Teaching mediation/FDR in critical social work program: resisting discourses to improve practice Joanne Clark, Christine Jones	Can mediation be reimagined to manage conflict in a remote Aboriginal community?: Thaa' pant: Ma puk thayan! Craig Jones, Harriet Pootchemunka	FDR and a child's right to participate in decisions that affect them Johanna Wood
11.30	ATO Manager Coaching Project Tina Hoyer	Horses for Courses Standardising Conciliation Practice without losing the benefits of Diversity Shiv Martin	Designing and Implementing a Family Dispute Resolution Teaching Clinic Rachael Field	The role of Gurrutu (kinship) in Yolŋu dispute resolution Rarriwuy Marika, Wayalwaja Marika, Maminydjama Maymuru, Mayaliil Marika, Dipililja Marika	Pathways to empower families through property mediation Margaret Cameron

12.00			The art of running a successful mediation practice Lisanne Iriks	Grounding: Building Self Resilience as a cross-cultural peacemaker Sarah Blake, Bettina Danganbarr	The place of Restorative Practice alongside Family Dispute Resolution Astrid Gerrits
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch & Exhibition				
13.30 – 15.00	CONCURRENT SESSION 2				
Room	Rongomātāne C	Mākaro	Mokopuna	Matiu	Rongomātāne A&B
	Session 2.1: Community & Workplace	Session 2.2: Conciliation & Community	Session 2.3: Research etc	Session 2.4: First Nations	Session 2.5: FDR
13.30	Restoring Relationships in Workplaces using a Narrative Restorative Framework Debbie Dunn	The way forward - Conciliation principles and user experience in Arbitration design Alyssa Duffy, Marguerite Darmody, Jack Nalpantidis	The Australasian Dispute Resolution Journal: A tribute and future vision Pauline Collins	Gathering Food for Thought: First Nations peoples' approaches to peacebuilding and peacemaking Alysoun Boyle, Helen Bishop	Enhancing the voice of older Australians in complex family dynamics Dale Bagshaw, Linda Fieldstone, Sue Bronson, Susan Cochrane, Nick Tebbey
14.00	Remediation and Modern Slavery: intersection of dispute resolution and social justice challenges Sarah Blake	Effective use of technology for process enhancement and accessibility Catherine Green	Restorative practice in the workplace - starting with ourselves Selwyn Lackner-Priest, Caitlin Turner		
14.30		The Forgotten Ones: Inner City Opportunities for Dispute Resolution Using Med-Arb Mika Covington		Speaking about Voice Tania Miletic, Helen Bishop	Mediating with Rainbow Families and Reflective Practice Adrien March
15.00 – 15.30	Afternoon Tea & Exhibition				
15.30 – 17.00	CONCURRENT SESSION 3				
Room	Rongomātāne C	Mākaro	Mokopuna	Matiu	Rongomātāne A&B
	Session 3.1: Workplace	Session 3.2: Court-connected DR	Session 3.3: Research etc	Session 3.4: Restorative	Session 3.5: FDR
15.30		Court Annexed Dispute Resolution - the catalyst for systemic change. Anne-Marie Rice	A 'Roach' in your training is a wonderful thing Linda Kochanski, Justin Lynch	Overcoming systemic ignorance: Understanding the impact of whiteness Adreanne Ormond, Madeleine Taylor	International Investigation of Best Practice in Parenting Coordination Anne Marie Cade
16.00		Court-Annexed Mediation: Why it Works and the Implications for Case Management Christopher Boyle	Advanced emotions skills: Can we ever really know what another is feeling? Samantha Hardy, Judith Rafferty		
16.30		Judge and Mediator: a new hybrid process Sala Sihombing		More Pride than Shame: Restorative Justice on Turtle Island Archie Zariski	Lawyer-Assisted Family Dispute Resolution: evaluating outcomes from a partnership model Genevieve Heard, Jennifer Lindstrom, Andrew Bickerdike
17.00	Day 1 Closes				
17.30	MSB Social Event Tākina				

DAY 2 – Tuesday, 5 September 2023

08.30	Registration Desk Open				
09.00 – 10.15	PLENARY SESSION 2 Room: Rongomātāne A&B, Level 1 Chair:				
09.00 – 09.45	KEYNOTE ADDRESS 2 Emily Barnes 10 things I wish I knew				
09.45 – 10.15	Mediator Standards Board Christopher Boyle				
10.15 - 11.00	Morning Tea & Exhibition – Poster Q&A				
11.00 – 12.30	CONCURRENT SESSION 4				
Room	Rongomātāne C	Mākaro	Mokopuna	Matiu	Rongomātāne A&B
	Session 4.1: Mediation/DR Theory	Session 4.2: Community-focused mediation	Session 4.3: Research etc	Session 4.4: Restorative	Session 4.5: FDR
11.00	Can't Buy My Silence: Non-Disclosure Agreements, law reform and mediation practice Anne Sutherland, Julie Macfarlane	Psychological Techniques in Resolving Social or Community Disputes in Community-focused Mediation Pamila Lourdunathan Andrew	The future of dispute resolution research, training, education, and practice is intercultural Rory Gowers	Building a Consent-Based Framework for Restorative Conferencing of Coronial Matters Amanda O'Neill	How to Better Engage Fathers in Family Mediation Nurit Zubery
11.30		The Prospects and Challenges of Inter-Religious Mediation in Malaysia Aishah Azlan	Teaching Conflict Resolution in a Vocational Education Context in Aotearoa-New Zealand Daniel Fridberg	Adult Pre-sentence Restorative Justice in Australia - developments since Larsen's 2014 Review Richard Denning	
12.00	The "Mediator's Offer" - yes, or no? What, when, how, and meaning John Hall	Interreligious Mediation in Malaysia: The Needs, Requirements, Challenges and the Way Forward Haslina Ibrahim		FGC in Australia from a participants perspective Eve Clare	How trauma informed practice can help facilitators, improve practice, and benefit clients. Jodie Grant
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch & Exhibition – Poster Q&A				
13.30 – 15.00	CONCURRENT SESSION 5				
Room	Rongomātāne C	Mākaro	Mokopuna	Matiu	Rongomātāne A&B
	Session 5.1: Mediation/DR	Session 5.2: Community	Session 5.3: Research etc	Session 5.4: Restorative	Session 5.5: FDR
13.30	The Imperative of Learning from History for the DR Profession's Future Rachael Field	Creative Conflict Management Romano Iluka	Being courageous and curious about suicide when working with conflict Melanie Schroder	Justice needs of sexual violence survivors and their experiences with justice processes Judith Rafferty	Collaborative Case Management - Family Dispute Resolution Richard Johnson
14.00					

14.30	The New Zealand Commercial Mediation Study (2015-2021) Grant Morris			Restorative justice responses to gender-based and sexual violence in Australia and NZ Serge Loode	
15.00 – 15.30	Afternoon Tea & Exhibition – Poster Q&A				
15.30 – 17.00	CONCURRENT SESSION 6				
Room	Rongomātāne C	Mākaro	Mokopuna	Matiu	Rongomātāne A&B
	Session 6.1: Mediation/DR	Session 6.2: Community	Session 6.3: Innovations	Session 6.4: Restorative	Session 6.5: FDR
15.30	A uniform approach to confidentiality under the Uniform Evidence Act. Tasman Fleming	Community Mediation for Peace: Community Peace Cops working with Police Officers Madhu Panthee	The Sheer Negotiation Model: A new and inquisitive model of conflict resolution Noa Sheer	Weighing up our options: is restorative really the right response? Haley Farrar, Sarah Roth Shank	Relationship Mediation: reuniting and restoring Mieke Brandon
16.00	Playing devil's advocate: the double-edged sword of reality testing Lola Akin Ojelabi, Alysoun Boyle	Community Mediation in Singapore: Lessons and Challenges Melvin Loh	Holistic and Playful Innovations for Solvers and Resolvers of Conflict: Vulnero-empowero-resilio strategies Laurence Boulle, Joelene Nel, Mark Seton		How a Professional Divorce Coach can prepare clients for Effective Conflict Resolution? Anne Marie Cade
16.30		Neuro Linguistic Programming and Mediation Lisanne Iriks		Coaching for a conflict mindset shift Samantha Hardy	
17.00	Day 2 Close				
18.30	Conference Dinner Tākina				

DAY 3 – Wednesday, 6 September 2023

08.30	Registration Desk Open				
09.00 – 10.30	PLENARY SESSION 3 Room: Rongomātāne A&B, Level 1 Chair:				
09.00 – 09.45	KEYNOTE ADDRESS Grant Morris Mapping Mediation in Aotearoa New Zealand: The attempt to map all mediation in an entire nation				
09.45 – 10.15	PLENARY Amber Williams The full spectrum of dispute resolution – practical insights from Resolution Institute				
10.15 - 11.00	Morning Tea & Exhibition				
11.00 – 12.30	CONCURRENT SESSION 7				
Room	Rongomātāne C	Mākaro	Mokopuna	Matiu	Rongomātāne A&B

	Session 7.1: Mediation/DR	Session 7.2: Community	Session 7.3: Innovation	Session 7.4: Peace-making	Session 7.5: FDR
11.00	Revising the IMI Code of Professional Conduct Lola Akin Ojelabi	Climate Change and Mediation: Case Studies resulting from Natural Disasters in Australia Ippei Okazaki	Lovingkindness in family mediation Susan Hamilton-Green	Peace-Meal: Nourishing Connection, Courage, and Change Tania Miletic, Helen Bishop Dr Serge Loode	How to benefit children and families better through a family mediation model? Amel Ketani
11.30	To Be or Not to Be Human - The Question for Mediators Margaret Ross & Greg Rooney	How stakeholders can more effectively resolve environmental disputes Deborah Lockhart			Post-separation co-parenting apps: what should practitioners know? Geneveive Heard, Andrew Bickerdike
12.00		Sustainable conflict engagement framework: A tool for supporting parties with enduring conflict Judith Rafferty	Pets, Power tools and 'Potential Persons': The Intersection between FDR and PDR Nicole Simmonds, Beth Devlin		Secrets revealed: Working with lawyers in Small Pool Property FDR Freia Carlton, Carmel Cumberbatch, Mark Hebblewhite
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch & Exhibition				
13.30 – 15.00	CONCURRENT SESSION 8				
Room	Rongomātāne C	Mākaro	Mokopuna	Matiu	Rongomātāne A&B
	Session 8.1: Mediation	Session 8.2: DR Design	Session 8.3: Innovation	Session 8.4: Peace-making	Session 8.5: FDR
13.30	Mediating the Mediator Sala Sihombing	Modern tools for Mediation - AI and Beyond Alison Haly	Restorative justice the state of play in Aotearoa Jane Bolitho, Mary Slater	Creating an Inclusive Environment through Sharing Deep Stories Daniel Fridberg	Family Dispute Resolution- Is it Conciliation and does it matter? Susan Hamilton-Green on behalf of ADRAAC
14.00	What, after all, are interests? John Steele	Court Referral to Private Mediation: Victorian Bar Court Referral Schemes in action Glen Pauline			
14.30			Over-Shadowing Climate's Dark Shadow? Laurence Boule	Process Facilitation-Centred Approach to Peacebuilding and Conflict Transformation Zabra Siwa	Next steps - when mediation result in partial but not total agreements Matthew Shepherd
15.00 – 15.30	Afternoon Tea & Exhibition				
15.30 – 17.00	Plenary 4 Room: Rongomātāne A&B, Level 1 Chair:				
15.30	Panel Session (Speakers TBC)				
16.30	Conference Closing Handover to next NMC				
17.00	Day 3 Close & Farewell Drinks (venue TBC)				