

# 38th Annual ALAANZ Conference

## Program Overview



### Wednesday, 1 May – Day 1

- 10:30 - 11:30am **Conference Registration**  
Pre Conference Area of Woodside rooms  
**Arrival Tea and Coffee**  
*Sponsored by Sparke Helmore Lawyers*
- 11:30 - 11:40am **Conference Opening**  
Conference welcome - **John Ribbands**, ALAANZ Victorian Branch President
- 11:40 - 12:30pm **Keynote Presentation**  
*"Prudent Precaution - making responsible safety decisions in the absence of definitive evidence"*  
**Shane Carmody**, CEO, Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA)
- 12:30 - 1:30 pm **Lunch**  
*Sponsored by Charles Taylor Adjusting*
- 1:30 - 3:00pm **Session 1**  
**Air Cargo Session**  
**Session Chair - John Ribbands**, ALAANZ Vic Branch President  
*"Does the Montreal Convention 1999 strike a fair balance?"*  
**Andrew Tulloch**, Partner, Colin Biggers & Paisley  
*"Practical issues in air freight"*  
**Mark Mackrell**, Partner, Norton White  
*"An industry perspective"*  
**Alison McKenzie**, Lead Counsel, Toll Holdings Ltd
- 3:00 - 3:30pm **Afternoon Tea**
- 3:30 - 4:30pm **Session 2**  
**Litigation Update**  
**Session Chair - Andrew Mansfield**, Senior Associate, Sparke Helmore Lawyers  
*"Bhatia v Malaysian Airline System Berhad: The brutal reality of Article 35 of the Montreal Convention"*  
**Bernard Lloyd**, Barrister, NSW  
*"A review of recent aviation decisions"*  
**Tom Brennan**, Barrister, NSW
- 4:30 - 5:00pm **Session 3**  
**International session (1)**  
**Session Chair - Andrew Mansfield**, Senior Associate, Sparke Helmore Lawyers  
*"Brexit and its implications for the aviation industry"*  
**Thomas van der Wijngaart**, Legal Director, Clyde & Co, London
- 6:00 - 8:00pm **Welcome Cocktail Party**  
The Terrace, Pan Pacific Hotel
- 8:15 - 10:30pm **Speakers Dinner**  
*Sponsored by Norton White*

### Thursday, 2 May – Day 2

- 8:15 - 9:00am **Arrival Tea and Coffee**  
*Sponsored by Sparke Helmore Lawyers*
- 9:00 - 10:00am **Session 4**  
**Space Law Session**  
*Session Sponsored by Clyde and Co*  
**Session Chair - James Cooper**, Special Counsel, Clyde & Co  
*"NZ Space Law - another piece in a global puzzle"*  
**Val Sim**, Manager Legal Services, Ministry of Business Innovation & Employment (MBIE), New Zealand  
*"Launches and Returns - the Role of the Australian Space Agency"*  
**Alexandra Seneta**, Executive Director, Regulation and International Obligations, Australian Space Agency
- 10:00 - 11:00am **Session 5**  
**Future Trends in Aviation**  
**Session Chair - Tony Pyne**, Legal Adviser, McLarens Aviation  
*"Getting Lawyers Out Of The Cockpit - (How to attract, and keep, good pilots)"*  
**James Nixon**, Author, CrammondMedia  
*"Long Haul and Ultra-long haul flights"*  
**Chrystal Zhang**, Senior Lecturer, Swinburne University of Technology
- 11:00 - 11:30pm **Morning Tea**
- 11:30 - 1:00pm **Session 6**  
**Regulatory Session**  
*Session Sponsored by CASA*  
**Session Chair - Greg Williams**, Senior Lawyer, CASA  
*"IATA Operational Safety Audit information and CASA's surveillance of foreign airlines"*  
**Chirinjeev Saggarr**, Principal Lawyer, Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA)  
*"FAA's risk aversion and its impact in Australia"*  
**Peter Axelrod**, Special Counsel, Meridian Lawyers  
*"Navigating global uncertainty: how New Zealand is shaping its drone regulatory framework"*  
**Marion Hiriart**, Senior Adviser, International Connections, NZ Ministry of Transport
- 1:00 - 2:00pm **Lunch**  
*Sponsored by McLarens Aviation*



2:00 - 2:45pm  
**Session 7**  
David Boughen Memorial Address  
**Session Chair - Duncan Ferrier**, President, ALAANZ  
*"International Aviation and Competition Policy - Complementary or in Conflict"*  
**Russell Miller AM**, Consultant, Minter Ellison

2:45 - 3:45pm  
**Session 8**  
Insurance  
**Session Sponsored by Carter Newell Lawyers**  
**Session Chair - Glenn Biggs**, Partner, Carter Newell Lawyers  
*"The role of the specialist broker in placing aviation risks"*  
**Pat Doherty**, CEO Aerosure Asia Pacific Pty Ltd  
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**Ian Savill**, Global Marketing Director, WTW Aerospace  
*"The role of the specialist broker in placing aviation risks"*  
**Michael McNamara**, National Manager, Aviation Commercial Lines, QBE Australia & New Zealand  
3:45 - 4:00pm  
**Afternoon Tea**

4:00 - 5:15pm  
**Session 9**  
Airports  
**Session Chair - Alastair Stuart**, Account Director, Aerosure Asia Pacific Pty Ltd  
*"Future advances in air traffic control"*  
**Rob Mason**, Air Traffic Controller Supervisor, Airservices Australia  
*"Invasion of the future - The drones are coming"*  
**Simon Hooper**, Head of Product, Precision Autonomy, Board Member Australian Association of Unmanned Systems (AAUS)  
*"Aviation from an Aviation Community Perspective"*  
**John Patterson**, CEO of Australian Mayoral Aviation Council  
5:15 - 5:30pm  
**AGM**  
7:00 - 10:30pm  
**Conference Dinner**  
**Sponsored by Aerosure Asia Pacific Pty Ltd**  
Cargo Hall - 39 South Wharf

## Friday, 3 May – Day 3

8:15 - 9:00am  
**Arrival Tea and Coffee**  
**Sponsored by Sparke Helmore Lawyers**

9:00 - 10:00am  
**Session 10**  
Airlines Session  
**Session Chair - Shannon O'Hara**, Legal Counsel-Aviation, QBE Australia and New Zealand  
*"The Flight Training Industry in Australia"*  
**Mike Drinkall**, General Manager, CAE Oxford Aviation Academy Australia  
*"Airlines Regulation of and Disputes over Pricing of Airport Access Charges"*  
**Justin Hogan-Doran**, Barrister, NSW

10:00 - 10:30am  
**Session 11**  
International session (2)  
**Session Chair - Mark Gray-Spencer**, Managing Principal, GSG Legal  
*"Update on Asian aviation developments"*  
**Peter Coles**, Partner, Clyde & Co, Hong Kong  
**Paul Freeman**, Partner, Clyde & Co, Singapore

10:30 - 11:00am  
**Morning Tea**

11:00 - 12:30pm  
**Session 12**  
Aviation Hypothetical  
**Panel Facilitator - John Ribbands**, ALAANZ Vic Branch President  
**Panel including:**  
**The Hon Justice Peter Riordan**, Supreme Court, Victoria;  
**John Dawson**, Partner, Vector Legal  
**Matthew Brooks**, Partner, HWL Ebsworth

12:30 - 12:45pm  
**Conference close**  
**Duncan Ferrier**, President of ALAANZ

2:00 - 4:00pm  
**Optional - Air Traffic Control Centre Tour**  
Melbourne Airport, Tullamarine