

# SECOND AUSTRALIAN–EUROPEAN LAWYERS' CONFERENCE



## BERLIN 2009: 20 YEARS AFTER THE FALL OF THE WALL

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Humboldt University,  
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The 2nd Australian – European Lawyers' Conference will be held in Berlin, Germany, from 1 to 3 October 2009.

Conference participants will be addressed by leading lawyers, academics and policy makers on a variety of issues relevant to both, Australian and European lawyers. Topics will include investment, mergers & acquisitions, taxation, litigation/ADR, as well as current public law issues such as federalism reform in Australia and Germany.

## Confirmed speakers from Australia include:

- ❑ Mr Roger Wilkins AO, Secretary, Attorney-General's Department, Australia
- ❑ Mr John Corcoran, President, Law Council of Australia
- ❑ Mr Glenn Ferguson, President, LAWASIA
- ❑ Mr Peter Rasmussen, Senior Trade Commissioner, Western Europe, Austrade

## Confirmed speakers from Germany include:

- ❑ Mr Lutz Diwell, Secretary, Ministry of Justice, Germany
- ❑ Mr Matthias Machnig, Secretary, Department of Environment, Germany
- ❑ Mr Hasso Lieber, Secretary, Ministry of Justice of the State of Berlin
- ❑ Dr Wolfgang Babeck, Buse Heberer Fromm Rechtsanwälte

This Conference will coincide with the 19th anniversary of the German reunification.

In November 2009, Germany will also celebrate the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. The many celebrations marking these extraordinary historical events will provide a unique experience for all participants attending the Conference.



# CONFERENCE PROGRAM

## Federalism

- ❑ A review of the federal structure of European countries and the latest reforms
- ❑ The future of Australian federalism – outcomes from the *20/20 Summit* and the *Future of Federalism Conference*

## Alternative Dispute Resolution & Litigation

- ❑ Judges from Australia will present an Australian Court scenario via videoconference
- ❑ Mediation and the Art of Regulation

## Carbon Trading

- ❑ Carbon Trading in Germany: Lessons to be learnt for Australia?
- ❑ On the brink of trading in Australia: Risks and chances for investors.

## Investment

- ❑ Investing in Germany and Europe: surprises and difficulties for Australian companies and their legal advisors
- ❑ Investing in Australia: surprises and difficulties for European companies and their legal advisors

## Rule of Law and Capacity Building in the South Pacific and Australasia

- ❑ Capacity Building in the South Pacific
- ❑ Rule of Law in Australasia
- ❑ Rule of Law and the South Pacific: A European Perspective

## Panel Discussions

### Confirmed panel chairs include:

- ❑ Dr Michael Rosenthal, President, German/Australian/Pacific Lawyers Association
- ❑ Dr Hans-Georg Raber, Vice President, German/Australian/Pacific Lawyers Association
- ❑ Dr Geoff Nicoll and Mr Arthur Hoyle, University of Canberra

*(The Program remains subject to change without notice.)*





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