



## President's Welcome



Colleagues,

I invite you to attend this year's National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) in Canberra from 15-18 June.

The NGA is the premier local government event, bringing together more than 800 mayors, councillors and senior officers from councils across Australia to develop local government policy ideas, meet with key federal politicians and hear from renowned experts on the key issues affecting local government in Australia.

I have invited the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition. We will also be joined by other ministers, shadow ministers and leading public figures presenting keynote addresses which will help to focus discussions at the NGA.

The theme for this year's NGA is '**Getting Down to Business**'. There is no more relevant an issue for government across Australia at the moment. The Federal Government is working through the outcomes of its Commission of Audit and is preparing for White Papers on the Federation and our taxation system. Each of these

processes will help to shape Government in Australia in the coming years and local government needs to be in as strong a position as possible to respond to whatever changes may emerge.

This year also marks the 20th NGA. This is a time for local government to celebrate our achievements over those 20 years but also an opportunity to focus on the future and how we apply the lessons from the past.

The ALGA Board recently called for Notices of 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.

The NGA is your opportunity to make sure that your council's view is reflected in the national priorities identified for local government. I invite you to be part of this important event by joining your colleagues in Canberra from 15-18 June 2014.

I look forward to seeing you in Canberra.

Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis

ALGA PRESIDENT

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2014 THEME OVERVIEW

## Getting Down to Business

The National General Assembly of Local Government is an important opportunity for you and your council to influence the national policy agenda.

The 2014 NGA is being held against a backdrop of several key developments. Each of them could profoundly redefine the operation of Australia's system of government. These include:

- the establishment, by the Commonwealth Government, of a National Commission of Audit;
- a promise within two years of coming to office to develop a White Paper on the Reform of the Federation;
- a commitment by all jurisdictions including the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) through the Council of Australian Government's (COAG), to reduce duplication between governments; and
- a promise to develop a White Paper on Taxation within two years of coming to office.

Each of these are significant undertakings in their own right, but taken together, they could substantially reshape the operation of the Australian Federal system of government.

It is imperative that local government is an active participant in these processes and that every opportunity is taken to influence the outcomes of these White Paper processes. The 2014 NGA is a great opportunity to commence this discussion.

The theme of the 2014 National General Assembly is 'Getting Down to Business'. It is a theme that invites NGA delegates, councils and interested stakeholders to reflect on the roles and responsibilities of local government, its funding and relative place in the Federation. It's a theme that enables local government to define for itself.

- what business local government is in;
- the resources we need to do it; and

- what should be expected from the Commonwealth and what we should expect from state and territory governments. In short how local government should fit in the Federation.

This NGA will provide delegates not just the opportunity to hear from political leaders, experts in their fields and prominent members of the local government sector, it will be an opportunity to network and share knowledge through panel and concurrent sessions.

Panel sessions will be focusing on the what the community and business expectations are of local government and how it fits in the sometimes complex system of political Federation that we have in Australia as well as hearing from councils who have shown themselves to be real innovators and ground-breakers in collaboration and information-sharing.

The concurrent sessions will be looking at what local government needs to do to manage the often difficult task of building and maintaining sustainability across a number of areas. This includes the challenges of finances and infrastructure, managing the impacts of our volatile environment and dealing with the complex issue of human services delivery.

Local government knows what it does best, this is an opportunity to share experiences and develop the policies that will ensure it will remain the strong and vibrant representative of our communities it is today. This NGA is about further supporting local government as it moves forward to face new challenges and it needs the voices and input of as many of you as possible.

2014 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

# Provisional Program

## SUNDAY 15 JUNE

5:00–7:00 pm	Welcome Reception
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## MONDAY 16 JUNE

9:00 am	Opening Ceremony
9:20 am	President's Welcome
9:30 am	Prime Minister, <b>The Hon Tony Abbott</b> (invited)
10:00 am	KEYNOTE <b>Ken Henry AC</b> (invited)
10:30 am	MORNING TEA
11:00 am	PANEL SESSION Local Government in the Federation
12:30 pm	LUNCH
1:30 pm	CONCURRENT SESSIONS 'Building a Sustainable Future' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finance and Infrastructure</li> <li>• The Environment</li> <li>• Human Services</li> </ul>
3:00 pm	AFTERNOON TEA
3:30 pm	Collaboration on Climate Action
4:00 pm	Debate on motions
5:00 pm	Close Day 1
7:00 pm	Dinner

## TUESDAY 17 JUNE

9:00 am	KEYNOTE <b>Helen Silver</b> , Chief General Manager, Worker's Compensation, Allianz; Former Secretary, Department of Premier and Cabinet, Victoria
9:30 am	Debate on motions
10:30 am	MORNING TEA
11:00 am	Shadow Minister for Regional Development and Local Government, <b>The Hon Julie Collins</b> (Invited)
11:30 pm	Debate on motions
12:30 pm	LUNCH
1:30 pm	PANEL SESSION Councils Getting Down to Business
3:00 pm	AFTERNOON TEA
3:30 pm	Debate on Motions
4:30 pm	Leader of the Opposition, <b>The Hon Bill Shorten</b> (invited)
5:00 pm	Close Day 2
7:00 pm	OFFICIAL DINNER Parliament House

## WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE

9:00 am	Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, <b>The Hon Warren Truss</b>
9:30 am	Debate on Motions
10:30 am	MORNING TEA
11:00 am	Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, <b>The Hon Scott Morrison</b>
11:30 am	<b>Dr Brendan Nelson</b> , Director, The Australian War Memorial
12:00 noon	KEYNOTE TBC
12:20 pm	President's Closing remarks
12:30 pm	Close

## Associated Events



### AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION BREAKFAST

**Monday 16 June, 2014 • 7:30–8:30 am**

The ALGWA National President is pleased to invite members, friends and colleagues to our 4th Annual Networking Breakfast as part of the National General Assembly. The Breakfast will be held on Monday 16 June from 7:30–8:30 am.

Seating is strictly limited, so book early. Details will be available on [www.algwa.net.au](http://www.algwa.net.au)



### ICLEI OCEANIA BRIEFING BREAKFAST

**Tuesday 17 June, 2014 • 7:15–8:30 am**

Many local governments have been implementing sustainability projects for some years. So what can Australian local governments use that is practical and useful, but also works within the broader sector to develop a joint approach to local sustainability?

Local governments are the sum of their neighbourhoods – and we want them to be thriving! What does a thriving neighbourhood look like? What examples are there, here and around the world? What are the policy and operational steps that we can take to enable our neighbourhoods to thrive?

Bookings are essential on (03) 9639 8688 or [oceania@iclei.org](mailto:oceania@iclei.org)

For further information contact: Martin Brennan, [martin.brennan@iclei.org](mailto:martin.brennan@iclei.org)



### REGIONAL CAPITALS AUSTRALIA NETWORKING BREAKFAST

**Wednesday 18 June, 2014 • 7:30–8:45 am**

Regional Capitals Australia (RCA) is an alliance of local government associations and councils from around Australia. The alliance is working to create a strong network of regional capitals that are at the forefront of federal policy and the national identity.

RCA will be holding a networking breakfast on Wednesday 18th June at the National Convention Centre during the ALGA conference. The keynote speaker for the event will be The Hon Jamie Briggs MP, Assistant Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development.

To register for the event and for enquiries about RCA, please contact:

Email [secretariat@regionalcapitalsaustralia.org](mailto:secretariat@regionalcapitalsaustralia.org)

Phone 0422 067 858

Visit our website at [www.regionalcapitalsaustralia.org](http://www.regionalcapitalsaustralia.org)



## Speaker Profiles

### Prime Minister, The Hon Tony Abbott MP

Tony Abbott was sworn in as the 28th Prime Minister of Australia on 18 September 2013.

Mr Abbott was first elected as Member for Warringah in March 1994. Prior to the election of the Coalition Government on 7 September 2013, Mr Abbott had been Leader of the Opposition since 1 December 2009.

During the Howard Government, Mr Abbott served as a Parliamentary Secretary, Minister, Cabinet Minister, and Leader of the House of Representatives. As Minister for Employment Services (1998–2001) Mr Abbott oversaw the development of the Job Network and a major expansion of Work for the Dole.

As Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations (2001–2003) Mr Abbott boosted construction industry productivity through the establishment of the Cole Royal Commission.

As Minister for Health and Ageing (2003–2007) Mr Abbott oversaw the expansion of Medicare rebates to allied health professionals such as dentists and psychologists and introduced the reforms which delivered record levels of bulk billing for patients. Mr Abbott also introduced the Medicare safety net.

Prior to entering parliament, Mr Abbott was a journalist with *The Australian* and *The Bulletin*. He was press secretary and political adviser to the Leader of the Opposition, Dr John Hewson, before becoming Executive Director of Australians for Constitutional Monarchy.

Mr Abbott holds Economics and Law degrees from Sydney University. He is a Rhodes Scholar and holds a Master of Arts (Politics and Philosophy) from Oxford University. Mr Abbott is the author of four books.

### The Hon Bill Shorten MP

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.

Before his promotion to the Ministry, Mr Shorten was the Parliamentary Secretary for Disabilities, Children's Services and Victorian Bushfire reconstruction. Bill was first and sworn into the Labor Ministry in September 2010 and promoted to Cabinet in December 2011.

As a senior member of the Labor Government, Bill played a key role in securing a number of historic reforms including establishing DisabilityCare 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 which will deliver more individual attention and more resources for students in every school.

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 the National Secretary from 2001 to 2007.

Bill has an enduring interest in social justice issues such as domestic violence, equal opportunity at work, and as a father of three and a stepdad the increasing diversity of families in Australia.





### The Hon Julie Collins MP

Julie Collins was born in Hobart. She was State Secretary of the Tasmanian Labor Party between 2006 and 2007.

Ms Collins was first elected the Member for Franklin in 2007.

She successfully held her seat in the 2010 federal election and was sworn in as Parliamentary Secretary for Community Services on 14 September 2010 in the First Gillard Ministry. In 2011, Ms Collins became Minister for Community Services, Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development, and Minister for the Status of Women in the Second Gillard Ministry. In 2013, she gained additional responsibilities as the Minister for Housing and Homelessness and promoted to the Cabinet in the Second Rudd Ministry.

Ms Collins now serves as Shadow Minister for Regional Development and Local Government and Shadow Minister for Employment Services.

Ms Collins' priorities are ensuring equal access to a quality education, decent health services and fairness in the workplace, issues she cares about due to her own life experiences.

She is an active local Member and was humbled to have been made the first Tasmanian Cabinet Minister since 2001.

She lives on the Eastern Shore with her husband Ian and their three children.

### The Hon Scott Morrison MP

Scott Morrison grew up in Bronte, eastern Sydney. Mr Morrison was educated at Sydney Boys High, and other state schools. He then went on to the University of New South Wales, where he received an honours degree in Applied Science, studying economics and geography.

Before entering Parliament, Mr Morrison was the Managing Director of Tourism Australia and NSW State Director of the Liberal Party of Australia from 2000-2004. Prior to this, he served in senior executive roles in the tourism and property sector in Australia and New Zealand, including the Property Council of Australia and the Tourism and Transport Forum.

Mr Morrison was first elected to the seat of Cook at the November 2007 Federal election.

In September 2008, Mr Morrison was appointed as a member of Malcolm Turnbull's coalition frontbench as Shadow Minister for Housing and Local Government.

He has also served on Coalition's Policy Committees on Social Policy, Education and Industrial Relations and Legal and Immigration issues as well as the Party Leader's Taskforces on Party Reform and Reform of Federalism.

On 8 December 2009, Mr Morrison became Shadow Minister for Immigration and Citizenship, coming into the cabinet for the first time during Tony Abbott's first shadow cabinet.

On 18 September 2013, Scott Morrison was sworn in as Australia's Minister for Immigration and Border Protection in the new Coalition Government Cabinet.

### The Hon Warren Truss MP

The Hon Warren Truss MP is Deputy Prime Minister of Australia and the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development.

He became Leader of the Nationals in 2007 and is the longest serving federal leader of any political party in Australia today.

A third generation farmer from the Kumbia district near Kingaroy in Queensland, Mr Truss first won the federal seat of Wide Bay in 1990.

He was a Minister in the Howard Government for 10 years, serving as Minister for Customs and Consumer Affairs in October 1997, and a year later, Minister for Community Services. In July 1999 Mr Truss became the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, where he served for six years. He became Minister for Transport and Regional Services in July 2005 and, in September 2006, was appointed Minister for Trade.

Before entering Parliament, Mr Truss was a Kingaroy Shire Councillor (1976 to 1990), including seven years as Mayor. He was Deputy Chairman of the Queensland Grain Handling Authority and a member of the State Council of the Queensland Graingrowers Association for more than 10 years.

Mr Truss is also former State and National President of the Rural Youth Organisation and President of the Lutheran Youth of Queensland.



## Regional Development in a Globalised Economy

The 2014 Regional Forum is the opening event of the National General Assembly of Local Government. It is a great opportunity for regional mayors, councillors and other decision-makers to gather together, share knowledge and experience and work to further develop the capacity of regional Australia to adapt to the pressures of a changing world.

The forum will see the release of the 2014-15 *State of the Regions Report*. The Report is commissioned by ALGA and prepared by National Economics and published with the support of Jardine Lloyd Thompson.

This year's Report examines the challenges facing Australia's regions in strengthening their competitiveness in the global economy. With the election of the new Coalition Government, international competitiveness and national policy reviews are firmly on the political agenda. Infrastructure remains one of the key drivers in economic growth and this year's report investigates the full range of infrastructure needs that are necessary in delivering sustainable regional development across the country.

## Program

9:30 am	Welcome and Introduction: ALGA President, <b>Mayor Felicity-ann Lewis</b>
9:45 am	KEY NOTE ADDRESS <b>Professor Anthony Hogan</b> , Chair Regional Governance and Policy, ANZOG Institute for Governance, University of Canberra - The Making of Rural and Regional Australia
10:30 am	<b>MORNING TEA - POSTER DISPLAY AND ENGAGEMENT</b>
11:00 pm	State of the Regions Launch: Boosting Regional Performance; <b>Dr Brain</b> and <b>Dr Manning</b> of National Economics
11:30 pm	Regional Australia Update - Department of Infrastructure and Regional Australia
12:00 pm	Shadow Minister - Regional Development and Local Government, <b>The Hon Julie Collins MP</b>
12:30 pm	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:30 pm	WORKSHOP DISCUSSION Regional Collaboration TECHNICAL WORKSHOP National Economics
2:45 pm	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>
3:15 pm	Q & A Panel (Representatives from LGNZ, Regional Australia Institute, Department of Infrastructure and Regional Australia, Regional Development Australia)
4:00 pm	Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, <b>The Hon Warren Truss MP</b>
4:35 pm	Official Closing





Submission deadline for Motions for Debate	Thursday 17 April 2014
Early Bird Registration on or before	Monday 28 April 2014
Standard Registration on or before	Friday 30 May 2014
Late Registration after	Friday 30 May 2014

## Motions for Debate

The NGA is your opportunity to contribute to the development of national local government policy.

The ALGA Board is calling for motions for the 2014 NGA under the theme *Getting Down to Business*. To assist Councils in preparing motions a Discussion Paper has been prepared and is available at [www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au)

To be eligible for inclusion in the NGA Business Papers motions must follow the principles:

- 1 Fall under the NGA theme;
- 2 Be relevant to the work of local government nationally; and
- 3 Complement or build on the policy objectives of state and territory associations.

Motions should be submitted electronically via the online form on the website [www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au) and should be received by ALGA no later than 17 April 2014.

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.

# General Assembly Registration Details

## General Assembly Registration Fees



### EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION \$899

Payment received by Monday 28 April 2014

### STANDARD REGISTRATION \$999

Payment received on or before Friday 30 May 2014

### LATE REGISTRATION \$1,200

Payment received after Friday 30 May 2014

### 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 16 JUNE 2014	\$470
TUESDAY 17 JUNE 2014	\$470
WEDNESDAY 18 JUNE 2014	\$260

### 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 15 June 2014

NOT REGISTERED TO ATTEND NGA	\$395
NGA REGISTERED DELEGATE	\$195

## Accompanying Partners Registration Fees

### ACCOMPANYING PARTNERS REGISTRATION \$240

### Accompanying Partners Registration Includes

- 1 ticket to the Welcome Reception, Sunday 15 June
- Day tour Monday 16 June
- Day tour Tuesday 17 June
- Lunch with General Assembly Delegates on Wednesday 18 June

## Payment Procedures

Payment can be made by:

- **Credit card.** MasterCard, Visa and American Express
- **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 post, facsimile or email. Notification should be sent to: Conference Co-ordinators, PO Box 139, Calwell ACT 2905  
Fax (02) 6292 9002 Email [conference@confco.com.au](mailto:conference@confco.com.au)

An administration charge of \$110.00 will be made to any participant cancelling before Monday 28 April 2014. Cancellations received after Monday 28 April 2014 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.*

## Social Functions

### Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening

#### Sunday 15 June 2014

NATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE 5:00–7:00 pm

\$44 per person for day delegates and guests

No charge for full registered delegates

No charge for registered accompanying partners

DRESS smart casual

Coaches will depart Assembly hotels (*except Crowne Plaza*) at approximately 4:45 pm with return coaches departing at 7:00 pm.

### Buffet Dinner

#### Monday 16 June 2014

THE BALLROOM, NATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE  
7:00–11:00 pm

\$100 per person

DRESS 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 17 June 2014

THE GREAT HALL, PARLIAMENT HOUSE  
7:00–11:00 pm

\$130 per person

DRESS 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 10:30 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 delays due to fog.

### Venue and Dress Code

#### Exhibition Opening and Welcome Reception

VENUE National Convention Centre, Constitution Ave, Canberra City

DRESS 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 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 Smart casual

#### Buffet Dinner

VENUE National Convention Centre, Constitution Ave, Canberra City

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

DRESS Smart casual

#### General Assembly Dinner

VENUE Parliament House

The General Assembly Dinner is being held in the Great Hall

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

## Accompanying Partners Program



### MONDAY 16 JUNE War Memorial and High Court

In 2014 the world will be recognising 100 years since the start of the First World War. The Australian War Memorial has established a special exhibition as part of this commemoration entitled *ANZAC voices*, this touching display of letters and diaries from ANZACs involved in Gallipoli and the Western Front, in the mud of Flanders and the deserts of Sinai-Palestine. After the exhibition, guests will enjoy lunch at a city location before a guided walking tour of the High Court to take in its award winning architecture and history.

### TUESDAY 17 JUNE Bungendore

The tour will start with a visit to Duntroon House, Canberra's first home which was built in 1833 and still stands within the grounds of The Royal Military College. The group will then travel to the Bungendore Woodworks to view spectacular pieces of wooden art with lunch at the gorgeous Woodworks café located at the gallery. After lunch guests will have time to explore the art, craft and antique shops that populate the village square.

## 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 16 May 2014.*

All cancellations or amendments must be made in writing to Conference Co-ordinators and will be acknowledged by email.

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.

### **CROWNE PLAZA**

1 Binara Street, Canberra

Renovated in 2007 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 \$295** per night single/twin/double

**DELUXE ROOM \$345** per night single/twin/double

### **WALDORF**

2 Akuna Street, Canberra

Located in the heart of Canberra's CBD, the Waldorf is only a four minute 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 ROOM \$210** per night single

**STUDIO ROOM \$225** per night twin/double

**1 BEDROOM APARTMENT \$230** per night single

**1 BEDROOM APARTMENT \$245** per night twin/double

### **DIAMANT**

15 Edinburgh Place, Canberra

Opened in June 2008 this boutique 80 room hotel is located at the intersection of Marcus Clarke and Edinburgh Ave, 15-20 minutes walk from the Convention Centre. The Diamant Hotel features 24 hour reception, a restaurant and a bar. The rooms have a mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, plasma TVs CD and DVD players, broadband (for a fee), and in-room safe.

**STANDARD ROOM \$250** per night single/twin/double

### **HOTEL REALM**

18 National Circuit, Barton

The Hotel Realm is one of Canberra's 5 star hotels and is located walking distance from the popular shopping and restaurant villages of Kingston and Manuka. The Hotel Realm has 2 restaurants, a bar, Day Spa, Hairdresser and Health Club located on-site. The rooms are modern and have king sized bed, high speed internet (for a fee) LCD TV, pay movie channel, Foxtel and 24-hour room service.

**STANDARD ROOM \$230** per night single/twin/double

### **NOVOTEL**

65 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

Located on Northbourne Avenue, one of Canberra's main thoroughfares, the Novotel is a 10 to 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.

**STANDARD ROOM \$280** per night single/twin/double

### **MANTRA**

84 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

Mantra on Northbourne offers stylish accommodation centrally located approximately a ten 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 \$209** per night single/twin/double

**1 BEDROOM APARTMENT \$249** per night single/twin/double

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## Accommodation

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### **ADINA APARTMENT HOTEL CANBERRA JAMES COURT**

74 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

Adina Apartment Hotel Canberra (formally The Medina Executive James Court) is approximately a seven 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

### **RYDGES LAKESIDE**

1 London Circuit, Canberra

Over the last two years the area surrounding Rydges Lakeside has undergone major changes with office developments, apartments, bars and restaurants opening. Rydges Lakeside is a 15-20 minute walk to the National Convention Centre. This property has 24-hour reception, room service, onsite restaurant and bar. All rooms have balconies and offer high speed internet (for a fee), pay per view movies, mini bar, hairdryer, iron and ironing board.

Note: This hotel has an absolute no-smoking policy.

- STANDARD ROOM **\$249** per night single/twin/double

### **CLIFTON SUITES**

100 Northbourne Avenue

Quality Clifton Suites is approximately a 30 minute walk from the Convention Centre and is located on Northbourne Avenue. The property has an onsite pool, gymnasium and restaurant. All the rooms have reverse cycle heating and air conditioning, fully equipped kitchen, movies on demand, washing machine, dryer and a private balcony.

- 1 BEDROOM APARTMENT **\$240** per night single/twin/double

## Coach Transfers

### **Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening**

**SUNDAY 15 JUNE 2014**

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 5:15 pm.

### **Buffet Dinner - National Convention Centre**

**MONDAY 16 JUNE 2014**

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 17 JUNE 2014**

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 11:30 pm and 11:45 pm.

## Car Parking

Parking for delegates is available underneath the National Convention Centre for a cost of approximately \$16.00 per day. Alternatively, voucher public parking is available across the road at a cost of approximately \$13.00 per day. The voucher machines are coin operated.





# Registration Form

NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT 15-18 JUNE 2014  
 Australian Local Government Association ABN 31 008 613 876

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 Register online  
[www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au)

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

Conference Co-ordinators  
 PO Box 139 CALWELL ACT 2905  
 Phone (02) 6292 9000 Fax (02) 6292 9002  
 Email [conference@conlga.com.au](mailto:conference@conlga.com.au)

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

## PERSONAL DETAILS

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SURNAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(Councillor/Mayor/Other)

POSITION \_\_\_\_\_

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

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

SUBURB \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ POST CODE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

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 2014 General Assembly List of Participants booklet (name, organisation and state only disclosed) as outlined in the privacy disclosure on page 10.  
 I DO consent to ALGA disclosing my personal contact information as outlined in the privacy disclosure on page 10.

## 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 28 April 2014) . . . . . \$899.00  
 STANDARD REGISTRATION FEES (payment received on or before 30 May 2014) . . . . . \$999.00  
 LATE REGISTRATION FEES (payment received after 30 May 2014) . . . . . \$1,200.00  
 DAY REGISTRATION FEES . . . . .  Monday 16 June \$470.00  Tuesday 17 June \$470.00  Wednesday 18 June \$260.00

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

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FORUM ONLY Registration Fee . . . . . \$395.00  
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY DELEGATE Registration Fee . . . . . \$195.00  
 STATE OF THE REGIONS REPORT 2014-15 (Single licence) . . . . . \$240.00  
 STATE OF THE REGIONS REPORT 2014-15 (Organisational licence) . . . . . \$700.00

### ACCOMPANYING PARTNERS REGISTRATION FEES

REGISTERED ACCOMPANYING PARTNER Name for lapel badge: \_\_\_\_\_ . . . . . \$240.00

## 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 15 JUNE 2014)

I/we will attend:  Delegate  Partner Number of additional tickets  @ \$44.00 each . . . . . Total \$

### REGISTERED PARTNERS

Day 1 • War Memorial and High Court (Monday 16 June 2014)

I will attend:  Partner Number of additional tickets  @ \$100.00 each . . . . . Total \$

Day 2 • Bungendore (Tuesday 17 June 2014)

I will attend:  Partner Number of additional tickets  @ \$100.00 each . . . . . Total \$

Registration form continues over the page



**OPTIONAL SOCIAL FUNCTIONS**

Tickets to these functions are not included in the General Assembly registration fee or accompanying partners registration fee. To purchase tickets to any of the following functions please indicate the number required and the total amount payable.

BUFFET DINNER (Monday 16 June 2014) Number of tickets [ ] @ \$100.00 each . . . . . Total \$ [ ]  
 GENERAL ASSEMBLY DINNER, Great Hall, Parliament House (Tuesday 17 June 2014) \*\*NUMBERS STRICTLY LIMITED\*\*  
 Number of tickets [ ] @ \$130.00 each . . . . . Total \$ [ ]

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

(E.G. DIETARY)

**REGISTRATION AND SOCIAL FUNCTION PAYMENT DETAILS**

Enclosed is my cheque made payable to ALGA Conference Account  
 I'm faxing my requirements, payment follows by mail  
 I have paid via an Electronic Funds Transfer to the 'ALGA Conference Account'. Transaction reference number \_\_\_\_\_  
 ALGA ACCOUNT: Bank: Commonwealth BRANCH: Curtin BSB NO: 062905 ACCOUNT NO: 10097760 ● **NOTE THIS IS AN ACCOUNT SPECIFICALLY FOR CONFERENCE PAYMENTS ONLY**  
 Please charge my Credit Card:  Mastercard  Visa  Amex  
 CREDIT CARD NUMBER [ ] Grand total \$ [ ]  
 CARD HOLDER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
 EXPIRY DATE [ ][ ][ ] / [ ][ ][ ] IS THIS A CORPORATE CARD?  YES  NO

**ACCOMMODATION DETAILS**

PLEASE indicate your preference from 1 to 5

ADINA APARTMENT HOTEL CANBERRA JAMES COURT				
1 BEDROOM APARTMENT	\$210	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
2 BEDROOM APARTMENT	\$260	<input type="checkbox"/> NUMBER SHARING _____		
CROWNE PLAZA				
SUPERIOR ROOM	\$295	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
DELUXE ROOM	\$345	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
CLIFTON SUITES				
1 BEDROOM APARTMENT	\$240	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
DIAMANT				
STANDARD ROOM	\$250	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
HOTEL REALM				
STANDARD ROOM	\$230	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
MANTRA ON NORTHBOURNE				
HOTEL ROOM	\$209	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
1 BEDROOM APARTMENT	\$249	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
NOVOTEL				
STANDARD ROOM	\$280	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
RYDGES LAKESIDE				
STANDARD ROOM	\$249	<input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> TWIN	<input type="checkbox"/> DOUBLE
WALDORF				
STUDIO ROOM	<input type="checkbox"/> \$210 SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> \$225 TWIN/DOUBLE		
1 BEDROOM APARTMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> \$230 SINGLE	<input type="checkbox"/> \$245 TWIN/DOUBLE		

● **RETURN FORM TO**  
 Conference Co-ordinators, PO Box 139 Calwell ACT 2905  
 or Fax (02) 6292.9002

**ACCOMMODATION GUARANTEE**

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 a minimum of twenty-one (21) days notice in writing of your cancellation. All cancellations will be acknowledged in writing by Conference Co-ordinators. Full payment of your account will be required at the time of your departure. The rates quoted are per room per night.

DATE OF ARRIVAL \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE OF DEPARTURE \_\_\_\_\_  
 SHARING WITH \_\_\_\_\_  
 ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL \_\_\_\_\_

I understand my credit card details are given as a guarantee of my arrival and to ensure my room will be held until my nominated arrival time. No charge for accommodation will be made against this card unless I fail to give a minimum of twenty-one (21) days notice of cancellation in writing to Conference Co-ordinators.

Please use the credit card details provided below to guarantee my accommodation booking.  
 Mastercard  Visa  Amex  
 [ ]  
 CREDIT CARD NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 CARD HOLDER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
 EXPIRY DATE [ ][ ][ ] / [ ][ ][ ] IS THIS A CORPORATE CARD?  YES  NO