

Programme

The Internet grew up without a formal governance structure, contributing to its once-popular characterisation as an uncharted electronic frontier unburdened by regulation, taxes, scarcity or strife. Of course this description is exaggerated; there have always been rules of some sort in cyberspace. But governing structures rooted in the physical world have struggled to adapt to the online world, and the legitimacy of new structures created for the Internet has been rightfully challenged. These problems have been particularly acute in instances of great

international diversity of law or culture – a diversity that may be difficult to preserve in a world without borders. Yet even the most fundamental questions, like whether to apply real-world laws to the Internet in the first place, remain controversial. This conference will discuss these wider implications and issues, approaching the questions from both a practical and academic perspective. In particular, focus will be put on the suitability of private (or semi-private) rule making for the long term regulation of the Internet.

9:00 am **Welcoming remarks - An introduction to the Domain Name System and Internet Governance**

Patrick Fair, Partner, Baker & McKenzie, Sydney

9:30 am **How is the Internet and Domain Name System Governed? An International Perspective**

David E. Sorkin, Associate Professor of Law, The John Marshall Law School, Chicago

10:30 am **Morning Tea**

11:00 am **The Domain Name System in Australia - auDA**

Chris Dispain, Chief Executive Officer, auDA

12:00 pm **Recent Legal Developments Related to the Domain Name System**

Patrick Gunning, Partner, Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Sydney

1:00 pm Lunch

2:00 pm **Online Dispute Resolution - A Practitioner's View**

Alan L. Limbury, Strategic Resolution

2:45 pm **Online Dispute Resolution - What it Means for Consumers**

Dr Lee A. Bygrave, Co-Director, Baker & McKenzie Cyberspace Law and Policy Centre and Senior Research Fellow, Norwegian Research Centre for Computers and Law

3:30 pm Afternoon Tea

4:00 pm **The Future of Internet Governance**

*John Corker, Senior Associate, Clayton Utz
Alan L. Limbury, Strategic Resolution*

David E. Sorkin, Associate Director of Law, The John Marshall Law School, Chicago

Liz Williams, Director, AAS Consulting and Deputy Chair of auDA

Chair - Chris Connolly, Co-Director, Baker & McKenzie Cyberspace Law and Policy Centre and Director, Financial Services Consumer Policy Centre

5:30 pm Close

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