

## Program highlights

- Gain an insight into current legal market trends and the effect of globalisation on the Australian legal profession
- Improve profitability and discover key performance drivers
- Learn how to attract, develop and reward the best legal talent
- Discover opportunities for mid tiers to capitalise on gaps in the market
- Understand the ethical and practical implications of using social media in legal practice
- Receive tips on how to optimise your firm's internal resources

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# Practice Management NSW 2012

# Perspectives on law firm leadership and upcoming challenges

## Thursday, 24 May 2012

8:30	Registration	12:15	Networking lunch for speakers and dele
8:50	Opening address from the Chair	1:15	Challenges to profitability and financial
	lan Robertson, Managing Partner, Holding Redlich		Push against hourly rate models in fav  The Alternative Fee Arrangement tree

#### 9.00 State of the Legal Profession 2012

- · Changing client expectations and use of law firms
- Revenue, cost and profitability predictions
- Top tier vs mid tiers winners and losers
- Trends in client service performance
- Does size really matter? Who benefits from growth?
- Where to next for the legal profession?

#### Mel Chee, Director: Benchmarks, Beaton Research & Consulting Tristan Forrester, Director: Professions, Beaton

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#### 10:00 Managing uncertainty and the new legal market

- Key trends in the profession and how to respond
- The impact of globalisation
- A look at what is on the Managing Partners' agenda
- Questions and answers

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## Chris Freeland, National Managing Partner, Baker

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#### 11:00 Morning tea

11:15

#### New skills for new times: diversity and your firm

- Discovering new evidence about difference
- Tackling the gender gap
- Breaking through the 'bamboo ceiling'
- Building an inclusive culture
- Learning how to influence your key to innovation

Dr Margaret Byrne, Principal Consultant, UGM Consulting

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#### issues

- our of fixed costs
- ı ne Aiternative Fee Arrangement trend
- Cost Consciousness and Legal Project Management scoping, budgeting and managing work in progress - and communication
- Cultural implications of these trends
- Opportunities and value

#### Mark Rigotti, Managing Partner, Freehills

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#### 2:15 Opportunities and threats for mid size domestic firms

- Opportunities for mid tiers in the globalisation of domestic mid tier law firms
- How business models for mid tier firms differ from large law and top tier firms
- Getting the most of the firm's intellectual property and
- Identifying the risks of mergers, alliances and lateral hires
- Capitalising on your firm's internal resources

#### Steve Sampson, General Manager, Hunt & Hunt Lawyers

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### Ethical challenges and global practice: what lies ahead

- The ethical and practical implications of using social media in legal practice
- Legal process outsourcing ensuring ethical practice
- Costs and communication: challenging the status quo

Steve Mark, NSW Legal Services Commissioner, Office of the Legal Services Commissioner Tahlia Gordon, Research & Project Coordinator, Office of the Legal Services Commissioner

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3:15



# 24 May 2012, The Grace Hotel Sydney

4:15 Afternoon tea

#### 4:30 Attracting, developing and rewarding the best legal talent

- The next generation of legal talent
- Understanding your Generation Y colleagues
- Letting operations support recruitment and retention
- · How does your workplace stack up?

Lawrence Atkinson, *Principal*, Lawrence Atkinson Practice Management Services

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5:30 Close of conference

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