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Thursday 1 November 2001
Australian National University (ANU), Canberra

With a federal election pending, it is timely to review the performance of the public sector and the quality of public choice in Australian society and economy. It is hoped the conference may facilitate new insights on the role of public law and public sector management affecting decisions in cabinet rooms, court rooms and board rooms, on significant policy matters.

8.45am - 9.15am:	Registration and Welcome: George Barker (President)
9.15am - 10.05am:	Keynote Address (1) Glenn Withers <i>"Legislating & Administering the National Interest"</i>
10.05am - 10.30am:	Morning Tea
10.30am - 11.30am:	Workshop Papers
11.30am - 12.20pm:	Keynote Address (2) Graham Scott <i>"Reflections on Public Sector Management Reform - A Law and Economics Perspective."</i>
12.20pm - 1.20pm:	Sandwich lunch
1.20pm - 2.20pm:	Workshop papers
2.20pm - 3.10pm:	Keynote Address (3) Philip Williams <i>"Governance of Australian Courts"</i>
3.10pm - 3.35pm	Afternoon Tea
3.35pm - 4.35pm:	Workshop papers
4.35pm - 5.15pm	Annual General Meeting
5.15pm	Conference close
7.30pm	Dinner

Workshop papers confirmed from Dhammika Dharmapala, Kieran Murray, Daniel Stewart, Russell Smyth, and Antony Taubman.

The Conference Dinner will start at 7.30pm at Vivaldi Restaurant, Arts Centre, University Avenue, Australian National University, ACT 0200

Speakers include:

Professor Glenn Withers, Head of the Graduate Program in Public Policy at the ANU. Professor Withers is a graduate of Monash and Harvard Universities, he was Director and Commissioner of the Economics Planning Advisory Commission (1991-1996) and in 1992 received the Order of Australia for his contribution to applied economics. Professor Withers' research interests cover a range of policy topics including public expenditure, competition and regulation.

Dr Graham Scott, Research Fellow at the Centre for Law and Economics at the ANU. Dr Scott is a graduate of Canterbury and Duke Universities. Dr Scott was Secretary to the Treasury in New Zealand from 1986 to 1993. During the previous 10 years he was an Assistant Secretary responsible for economic policy and a Senior Adviser to the Prime Minister of New Zealand. During that time, New Zealand undertook far-reaching reforms to its economic policy and public management systems, introducing innovations that have attracted attention internationally. He specialises in structural, financial, and management reform of commercial and administrative functions of government, and has advised many corporate and government agencies around the world, as well as the OECD, the World Bank, and ADIS.

Professor Philip Williams, MEd (Monash) PhD (Lond). Assistant Director and Foundation Professor of Management, Law & Economics, Melbourne Business School (MBS). Professor Williams' principal responsibility as Assistant Director is for the academic programs that MBS delivers for the University of Melbourne. The focus of his current research is the economics of law. He has published articles and books on the theory of the firm, trade practices policy, small business and the cost of litigation. He is an Associate Editor of the Australian Economic Review. Professor Williams is extensively involved in giving expert advice to leading corporations in Australia and New Zealand in their dealings with government, regulatory authorities and the courts. This consulting work involves giving opinions and appearing as an expert witness for law firms involved in commercial litigation. He is Chairman of Frontier Economics Australia, and a member of the Trade Practices Committee of the Law Council of Australia.

Venue:

The Australian National University
Faculty of Law
Link Theatre
Cm Fellows Road & East Road

Conference Dinner:

Vivaldi Restaurant (on ANU campus) -
Arts Centre, University Avenue, ANU

Accommodation:

A limited number of rooms have been reserved for conference participants at the following places. Please make contact as soon as possible to reserve your accommodation

University House

ANU
Canberra
Block reserved under name: Australian Law and Economics Association
For accommodation enquiries and bookings (essential) contact Cameron Lindsay:
Tel: (02) 6249 5275 or email to accommodation.unihouse@anu.edu.au

Rydges Lakeside Hotel

London Circuit
Canberra
Block reserved under name:
Centre for Law & Economics, ANU
For accommodation enquiries and bookings (essential) contact reservations:
Tel: (02) 6247 6244.
This hotel is a 10 minute walk from campus.

ABN 30703517635

Tax Invoice

Registration Form: 2001 AUSTLEA Conference and Dinner

*Return with payment by Friday 19 October to Wendy Forster, Centre for Law and Economics, Law Faculty,
Australian National University, Canberra, ACT 0200 - Telephone: 61 + 2 + 6125 3396*

Name _____ Phone _____

Organisation _____ Email _____

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Attending (please tick): Conference Dinner

Registration Fees:	AustLEA Members earlybird (before 28 September)	\$110
	AustLEA Members	\$150
	Non Members earlybird (before 28 September)	\$160
	Non Members	\$200
	ANU Staff & Students	\$130
	Dinner	\$ 50

Special dietary requirements for dinner : _____

Cheque enclosed for: \$ _____ (payable to Australian Law and Economics Association)

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