

MULTI-PARTY FACILITATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING

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Australian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies Mediation and Conflict Resolution Program

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION

Multi-party conflict resolution is an acid test of leadership. It may look backwards to untangle a vexing problem, or forward to forge an artful and enduring deal. The role requires bringing others to the table and cultivating their highest and best leadership skills. You must then help disputants frame issues, avoid unnecessary distractions, and in the face of actual or impending obstacles, achieve elegant solutions that build consensus, tame stubborn problems and create improbable partnerships.

This workshop will explore key themes, and build new insights and skills in the area of multi-party dispute resolution.

Used correctly, facilitation has a wide range of uses that are good for business and good for policy. Facilitation can be used with internal and external stakeholders. It can be used to gather input, developing new strategies, formulate tractable visions, and prevent, manage or resolve conflicts.

LOCATIONS AND DATES 2009

Brisbane	2-4 September
Melbourne	7-9 September

TIME

From 9:00 am to 5:00pm

COST

Professional development participants:
\$1600 includes GST.

We offer a discount for a minimum group of three from the same organisation.

Postgraduate students please go to:
<http://www.uq.edu.au/acpacs/academic-programs>

MEDIATION AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROGRAM

The Australian Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies (ACPACS) presents a range of innovative courses in Mediation, Negotiation and Conflict Resolution in Melbourne and Brisbane. Our workshops are designed to meet the needs of people with no prior experience in conflict resolution, as well as experienced practitioners seeking advanced skills and specialisation.

Presented by world class trainers, each ACPACS workshop is self-contained, and includes all the materials and resources required. By ensuring a flexible format, workshops provide participants with great learning choices.

Completion of ACPACS workshops may lead to postgraduate qualifications in a:

- Graduate Certificate of Mediation and Conflict Resolution
- Graduate Diploma of Mediation and Conflict Resolution
- Master of Mediation and Conflict Resolution

Our courses may also provide credit towards other degrees and CPD points for a number of professional organisations.

This skills-intensive course will examine a variety of approaches to working with groups of many sizes and purposes.



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PRESENTER PETER ADLER

Peter S. Adler, Ph.D. is President of The Keystone Center which builds applied, consensus-based policy solutions to science-intensive energy, environmental and public health-related policy problems.

Adler's specialty is multi-party problem solving. He has extensive experience with water, land use and business negotiations, mediates, writes, trains and teaches in diverse areas of conflict resolution, and has been a frequent visitor to Australia.

Prior to his appointment at Keystone, Adler held executive positions with the Hawaii Justice Foundation, the Hawaii Supreme Court, and the Neighborhood Justice Centre.

He served as President of the Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution and has authored numerous publications in the field of conflict management, among them, "Shadows of the Future: Anticipating What Happens Before It Happens or A Primer on Identifying Problems and Tools to Address Them", with Jeremy Kranowitz, National Energy Technology Lab, U.S. Department of Energy, 2005; "Building Trust: Twenty Things You Can Do to Help Environmental Stakeholder Groups Talk More Effectively About Science, Culture, Professional Knowledge and Community Wisdom", with Juliana Birkhoff, National Policy Consensus Center, Portland State University, 2003; and 'Beyond Paradise', Oxbow Press, 1993.

"Peter Adler understands the crazy, messy, inspiring process that is democracy. It is ego, wisdom, leadership, vision and chaos together that define politics and the seeking of solutions. Adler's insights into all of these are exceptional."

The Honorable Christine M. Scanlan – Colorado House of Representatives

KEY BENEFITS

Participants will learn:

- the organisational, social, and psychological dynamics of multi-party challenges.
- how to use facilitated processes to untangle old problems and build new solutions.
- how leaders can deploy the use of facilitated processes to build cohesion and consensus
- skills, tools, and techniques for organising and implementing facilitated processes.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Mediation and Conflict Resolution Program

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