



# Five Reasons to Attend the ICCA 2018 Congress in Sydney

## 1 **Build Your Professional Network**

As the premier biennial global International Arbitration conference, ICCA 2018 offers an unprecedented networking opportunity, attracting up to 1,000 delegates from all around the world, including many of the field's leading arbitrators, academics, and practitioners. ICCA 2018 Sydney will also be attended by leading figures from the Australian judiciary and government. Hosted in Australia for the first time, the ICCA 2018 Congress provides a 'once in a career' chance to develop your profile, build international contacts and expand your practice in this specialist growth field; an opportunity of which Australian practitioners are uniquely placed to take advantage, without the cost of overseas travel.

## 2 **Expand Your Knowledge Base**

The ICCA 2018 Congress promises a stimulating series of talks, symposiums, and panel discussions, with a focus on the conference theme of 'Evolution and Adaptation: The Future of International Arbitration'. Delegates will hear from leading thinkers and discuss up to date information on the most current issues and best practice in international commercial arbitration and investment treaty arbitration. The Congress will also canvass current thinking in cutting edge areas such as technology, transparency, and new frontiers in the use of arbitration for climate change, corporate social responsibility, and the protection of indigenous peoples.

## 3 **Socialise & Enjoy**

ICCA 2018 boasts an unrivalled social programme to complement the Congress sessions. Join colleagues, new and old, at the exclusive Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception to be held in the magnificent Sydney Opera House with a special performance from the Sydney Symphony Orchestra. The Conference Gala Dinner, themed 'Dinner under the Southern Stars', will form the social climax of the Congress, providing an evening of fine dining, entertainment and warm hospitality exclusively to Congress delegates.

## 4 **Professional Development**

ICCA 2018 is also a Continuing Professional Development event that can count towards your next CPD year. Satisfy all your professional development requirements with ICCA 2018 on-site at the Congress.

## 5 **Space for Business**

The conference will be hosted in the heart of the Sydney CBD at the newly-opened International Convention Centre, Sydney, allowing for comfortable conference facilities, purpose-built spaces, networking lounges and the most up-to-date technology to facilitate all your professional needs.



## What is the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) Congress?

The International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) is a worldwide nongovernmental organisation (NGO) devoted to promoting the use and improving the processes of arbitration, conciliation and other forms of resolving international commercial disputes. Its activities include convening international arbitration congresses, sponsoring authoritative dispute resolution publications and promoting the harmonization of arbitration and conciliation rules, laws, procedures and standards.

The ICCA Congress is a biennial event held around the world for the presentation and discussion of papers on different aspects of international dispute resolution. It is widely considered the premier International Arbitration Conference in the year which it is held, attracting high delegate numbers from across the globe and making a significant contribution to the development of dispute resolution theory and practice. The first ICCA Congress took place in Paris in 1961.

Hosting the ICCA Congress in Australia will enhance and showcase the benefits and opportunities for international arbitration in the region, the expertise of Australian practitioners and Australia as a neutral venue for international arbitration providing as it does a modern

framework for the conduct of international arbitration, a supportive judiciary and premier facilities for the hearing of proceedings.

## Why Join ICCA?

**ICCA**  
INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

- ✓ Listing in ICCA's fully searchable **Online Membership Directory**
- ✓ Listing in ICCA's annual **hard-copy Membership Directory**
- ✓ Regular e-newsletters and hard-copy newsletters (and advance notice of ICCA events and activities)
- ✓ 10% Discount on Biennial ICCA Congresses (next Congress Sydney 15-18 April 2018)
- ✓ 10% Discount on Yearbook Commercial Arbitration and complimentary copy of ICCA Guide to 1968 NYC

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