

INTERNATIONAL LEGAL SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL

The International Legal Services Advisory Council (ILSAC) is a high level consultative forum for the legal sector and relevant government departments and agencies to coordinate, support and promote the development internationally of Australia's legal and related services.

'the peak public-private sector consultative and advisory forum for Australia's international legal services sector'

The Council provides advice to Government on international legal services policy issues and program coordination. It facilitates communication between

the Government and the private sector and assists private sector initiatives in gathering, researching and disseminating information.

ILSAC was established by the Australian Government in 1990 as a part-time advisory council. After the Council's fifth three-year term, the Australian Government, in August 2007, reconstituted the Council as a permanent body, with members serving three-year terms.

MAIN INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

ILSAC's mission is *to enhance the international presence and improve the international performance of Australia's legal and related services*. To achieve this, the Council focuses on four main areas:

Global Legal Services and Market Access

ILSAC monitors and seeks to influence the globalisation of legal services agenda by identifying and promoting innovative initiatives to enhance the international performance and competitiveness of the Australian legal profession.

ILSAC advises on market access barriers, international trade negotiations concerning professional services, and overseas developments in the regulation of legal practice and the implications of these for the Australian legal profession and the legal services sector.

International Legal Cooperation

ILSAC promotes awareness and understanding of Australia's legal system and institutions in the Asia-Pacific and other regions and vice versa.

It promotes the rule of law by facilitating the strengthening of legal institutions, legal education and training and by initiating and developing professional relationships with key players and legal institutions in the region.

International Legal Education and Training

ILSAC seeks to improve and facilitate the scope for Australia's legal education and training sector to engage with the international market, and to service the growing demand in the Asia-Pacific region for international legal education and training. ILSAC promotes international interchanges and Australian institutions as centres of excellence in legal education.

International Commercial Dispute Resolution

ILSAC promotes recognition and use in Australia and internationally of Australian dispute resolution practitioners and institutions in the field of international commerce. ILSAC works to raise awareness within commercial circles generally of the capacity of Australian dispute resolution practitioners and seeks to promote Australia as a regional business/financial headquarters.

MEMBERSHIP

ILSAC's members are drawn from the private legal sector, education institutions and relevant government departments and agencies, and serve in a voluntary capacity.

Appointed members, ILSAC's sixth term, 1 July 2007–30 June 2010

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