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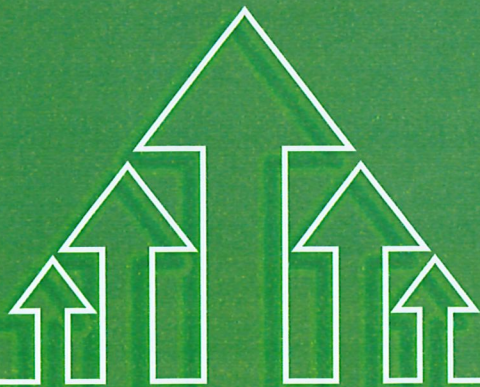
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# 2024 NGA

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# PRESIDENT WELCOME



Friends,

I am delighted to invite you to attend our Australian Local Government Association's 30th annual National General Assembly (NGA) of Local Government in Canberra.

Following on from the tremendous success of last year's annual Conference, this year promises to be our best yet.

I'm thrilled that we will once again be partnering with the Federal Government to host the Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG) immediately after our Conference, on Friday 5 July.

Last year's ACLG – secured by ALGA on your behalf – was the first held in more than a decade, and provided us with the opportunity to provide direct feedback to the Prime Minister and key Federal Ministers on what local governments need to thrive for the future.

This will be the last ACLG before the next Federal Election, and is a valuable opportunity for us to speak to the Federal Government with one voice about the policies and funding partnerships our communities need.

The theme of this year's NGA is "Building Community Trust". As the most trusted level of government, we know trust is an incredibly important foundation, and under threat in democracies around the world today.

Sadly, Australia has not been immune to a general decline in public trust over recent years, and many of you have witnessed the effects this has had on our communities firsthand.

We all know that if we are going to continue to deliver in the face of ongoing natural disasters, skills shortages and cost of living pressures, then trust in government, between governments, our institutions and our citizens is fundamentally important.

As the level of government closest to the community we have the best opportunity to bring people together at a grassroots level, and work collaboratively for the public good.

Local government has a crucial part to play in restoring trust in Australian democracy, and without question, investing in local government is an investment in our nation's future.

I look forward to hearing your ideas on the support we need to realise this opportunity, and welcoming you to our annual conference in Canberra this July.

Cr Linda Scott  
ALGA President

# KEY DATES & EVENT OUTLINE

**TUESDAY 30 APRIL 2024**

Call for Motions Closes

**FRIDAY 7 JUNE 2024**

Close of Early Bird Registrations

**TUESDAY 2 JULY 2024**

Regional Cooperation & Development Forum  
National General Assembly | Listening Sessions

**TUESDAY 2 - THURSDAY 4 JULY 2024**

National General Assembly

**FRIDAY 5 JULY 2024**

Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG)



# FULL PROGRAM

## TUESDAY 2 JULY REGIONAL FORUM

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8.00am	Registrations Open
9.00am - 3.00pm	Regional Forum (Additional registration required)

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## NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY | LISTENING SESSIONS

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3.00pm	NGA Listening Sessions: Roads and Transport Energy Transition National Housing and Community Infrastructure Disaster Resilience and Recovery
5.00pm - 7.00pm	Welcome Reception & Exhibition Opening

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## WEDNESDAY 3 JULY NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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8.00am	Registrations Open
9.00am	<b>Opening Ceremony</b> Welcome to Country Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia (invited)
9.40am	<b>Minister Address</b> The Hon Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government (invited)
10.00am	Leader of the Opposition Address The Hon Peter Dutton MP, Leader of the Opposition (invited)
10.20am	<b>ALGA President's Address</b> Cr Linda Scott, ALGA President
<b>11.00AM</b>	<b>MEAL BREAK ONE</b>
12.00pm	<b>Politics and Civic Engagement</b> Anabelle Crabb, ABC Writer and Presenter
1.00pm	State of the Assets / Local Government Inquiry Update (TBC)
<b>2.00PM</b>	<b>MEAL BREAK TWO</b>
3.00pm	<b>Debate on Motions</b>
7.00pm - 11.00pm	<b>General Assembly Dinner</b> EPIC, Canberra

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## THURSDAY 4 JULY NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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9.00am	<b>Intergenerational Equity and Fairness</b> Simon Kuestemacher, Director and Co-Founder, Demographics Group
10.00am	<b>PANEL - Addressing Intergenerational Trust</b>
<b>11.00AM</b>	<b>MEAL BREAK ONE</b>
12.00pm	<b>Community Trust in the Built Environment</b> Stephen Yarwood, Urbanist and Former Lord Mayor of Adelaide
1.00pm	<b>For the Love of Community Engagement</b> Becky Hirst, Author
<b>2.00PM</b>	<b>MEAL BREAK TWO</b>
3.00pm	<b>Debate on Motions</b>
5.00pm	<b>Close</b>

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## AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT | DINNER

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7.00pm	ACLG Dinner
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## FRIDAY 5 JULY AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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7.30am	Registrations Open
8.00am - 3.30pm	Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG)

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# 2024 REGIONAL FORUM

National Convention Centre  
Canberra

[REGIONALFORUM.COM.AU](https://REGIONALFORUM.COM.AU)



2 JULY  
2024

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### REGISTRATION FEES

**Forum Only Registration**  
\$475

**NGA Delegate Discount  
Registration**  
\$275

**Register Online Now:**  
[regionalforum.com.au](http://regionalforum.com.au)

**Dress Code:** Smart Casual

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

- 8.00am REGISTRATIONS OPEN
- 9.00am Welcome to Country
- 9.20am Minister Address  
The Hon Kristy McBain MP, Minister  
for Regional Development, Local  
Government and Territories
- 9.40am Shadow Minister Address  
The Hon Darren Chester MP, Shadow  
Minister for Regional Development,  
Local Government and Territories
- 10.00am Regional Connectivity and Services
- 10.45am MORNING TEA
- 11.15am Keynote: State of the Regions  
Nicki Hutley, Economist  
  
Panel: State of the Regions
- 12.30pm LUNCH  
  
ALGA President Press Club Address  
*live telecast*
- 1.30pm Panel: Regional Housing
- 2.30pm AFTERNOON TEA





# REGIONAL FORUM SPEAKERS



**THE HON KRISTY MCBAIN MP**

**Minister for Regional Development,  
Local Government and Territories**

Kristy McBain proudly grew up on the NSW Far South Coast, and she is the first woman to represent Eden-Monaro.

Since being elected in 2020, Kristy has built a formidable reputation as a plain spoken, hard-working local member who advocates with all levels of Government and all sides of politics to get results for her constituents.

A former Mayor of the Bega Shire Council, Kristy advocated day and night for people through the darkest days of the Black Summer Bushfires in 2019-20.

Kristy studied law at the University of Canberra and as the first person in her family to go to university, she is passionate that all kids get the chance to go to university or TAFE and have the opportunity to build their careers and lives in the regions as she has done.



**THE HON DARREN CHESTER MP**

**Shadow Minister for Regional  
Development, Local Government  
and Territories**

Darren Chester was born and educated in Sale.

He was elected to Federal Parliament as the Member for Gippsland on June 26, 2008, in a by-election following the retirement of the Hon Peter McGauran.

During his time in Parliament, Darren has served in multiple executive positions across both Government and Opposition such as Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Minister for Veterans' Affairs and Defence Personnel, Assistant Minister for Defence and Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Roads and Regional Transport.

Prior to entering Parliament, Darren worked as a newspaper and television journalist before becoming Chief of Staff to the Leader of The Nationals in Victoria.

Darren is a keen sportsman who enjoys boating, camping and running marathons. He lives in Lakes Entrance with his wife Julie and their four children.



**NICKI HUTLEY**

**Economist**

Nicki Hutley is a highly experienced economist, with broad-based expertise in both macroeconomics and microeconomic policy gained over more than three decades in financial and investment markets and in economic consulting. She is particularly interested in the intersection of economy, society and environment.

After many years in the corporate world of banking, investment and consulting, Nicki is now an independent economist and keynote speaker. Nicki helps her clients top measure the impact of policies, programs and projects using triple bottom line Cost Benefit Analysis. Nicki is also the Chief Economic Adviser to the Customer-Owned Banking Association and a member of JANA's sustainability advisory committee.

Nicki is also a highly sought-after keynote speaker on long and short term economic issues, with a lens on social and environmental influences. She is also a frequent commentator in the media, and a regular guest on both The Drum and The Project.

# NGA INFORMATION

## New NGA Program Format

This year's NGA will feature some changes to the format of conference sessions and breaks. Conference sessions have been extended in length to allow extra time for questions and answers. Break times have been rearranged so there are now two 60 minute breaks on each day of the NGA, rather than two 30 minute and one 60 minute break. These changes are designed to provide delegates greater value through better opportunities to ask questions in presentations, as well as more time to visit the exhibition hall, or conduct meetings during meal breaks.

## Listening Sessions

Another change to the format of the NGA this year is the inclusion of four concurrent "Listening Sessions" being held immediately following the Regional Forum on the afternoon of Tuesday 2 July. These sessions have been designed to provide delegates the opportunity to engage directly with representatives from federal government departments about the issues being faced by councils. The sessions will focus on four key topics: Roads and Transport, Energy Transition, Disaster Resilience and Recovery, and National Housing and Community Infrastructure. All NGA delegates are invited to attend one of these sessions and will be asked to nominate which when registering their attendance.

## Virtual Registration

If you can't make it to the 2024 National General Assembly take advantage of the Virtual Registration. As a virtual participant you will be able to view ALL National General Assembly Sessions from Tuesday through to Thursday.

The registration fee is \$739.00

## President's Soccer Match

There will once again be a Local Government versus Parliament soccer match in the early morning on Wednesday 3 July

Join ALGA President Linda Scott at the Senate Oval next to Parliament House at 6:45am for a 7:00am start.

## Social Functions

### Welcome Reception & Exhibition Opening

Tuesday 2 July 2024

Venue: National Convention Centre Canberra

The Welcome Reception will be held in the exhibition hall and foyer.

5:00pm - 7:00pm

\$50.00 per person for day delegates and guests. No charge for full registered delegates. No charge for registered accompanying partners.

Dress Code: Smart casual

### General Assembly Dinner

Wednesday 3 July 2024

Venue: EPIC Canberra

The dinner is being held in The Budawang Pavilion

7:00pm - 11:00pm

\$175.00 per person

Dress Code: Formal/Cocktail

Numbers to this dinner are limited. Tickets are allocated on a first in basis.

### General Assembly Business Sessions

Wednesday 3 July 2024 - Thursday 4 July 2024

Venue: National Convention Centre Canberra

All plenary sessions will be held in the Royal Theatre at the National Convention Centre.

Dress Code: Smart casual

### Exhibition

Wednesday 3 July 2024 - Friday 5 July 2024

Venue: National Convention Centre

The exhibition is being held in the Exhibition Hall at the National Convention Centre.

### Partner Tours

The partners meet at the National Convention Centre Canberra each morning to join the tour guide for their specialised trip around Canberra.

**Canberra Cruise & Governor General Garden Tour**  
Wednesday 3 July - 9.45am

We will start the morning with a Canberra Boat Cruise on Lake Burley Griffin, with a special garden tour visiting the Governor General's house.

At the end of the cruise, we will then enjoy a relaxing lunch at Snapper & Co whilst taking in the scenery of the lake.

To complete the day, we will show you the best sightseeing spots in the Canberra region. Your guide will share local knowledge with you and provide an insight into Canberra's culture and history.

**Gold Creek Station & Murrumbateman Winery**  
Thursday 4 July - 11:00am

Today we will get to explore Gold Creek station, a 400 hectare property that has been a sheep station since 1861. The tour will include a history of the station with an insight into the industry and a sheep shearing demonstration, followed by a hearty BBQ lunch.

Then on to a wine tasting at Murrumbateman Winery to experience their outstanding and award-winning Riesling and Shiraz

We will then finish the day with Murrumbateman Chocolate Co, a local shop with handcrafted artisan chocolates.

# 2024 SPEAKERS



**THE HON CATHERINE KING MP**  
(INVITED)

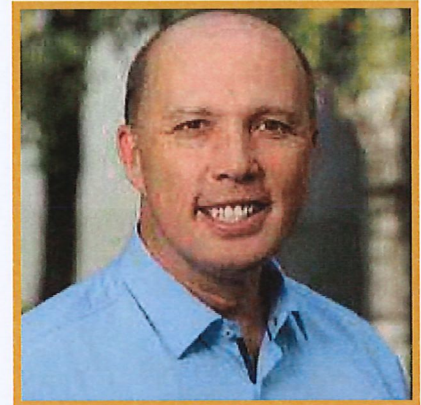
**Minister for Infrastructure, Transport,  
Regional Development and Local  
Government**

Catherine King was born in Melbourne. She holds a Degree in Social Work and a Masters in Public Policy from the Australian National University and has recently completed a law degree from Deakin University.

First elected to Federal Parliament in 2001 to represent the electorate of Ballarat, Catherine has been re-elected as member at each subsequent Federal Election.

Following the 2019 election, Catherine was appointed to the role of Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development in the Shadow Cabinet led by the Hon. Anthony Albanese.

Prior to entering Parliament, Catherine worked in the social welfare sector in Ballarat and later in the public sector in Canberra, as a director for the Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care and as a senior manager at KPMG's Health Consulting Practice.



**THE HON PETER DUTTON MP** (INVITED)

**Leader of the Opposition**

Peter Dutton is the Federal Member for Dickson and Leader of the Liberal Party.

For nine years, Peter served his community as a Police Officer. He worked in the National Crime Authority and Drug and Sex Offenders' Squads, with a focus on protecting women and children.

First elected to Parliament in November 2001, Peter was appointed to the Ministry in 2004. In January 2006, he became Peter Costello's Assistant Treasurer.

Peter is married to Kirilly and is the proud father of Rebecca, Harry and Tom and lives in Dayboro in the Dickson electorate.





#### **ANNABEL CRABB**

##### **ABC Writer and Presenter**

Annabel Crabb is an ABC writer and presenter who has covered Australian politics for nearly 25 years as a news reporter and columnist.

She is the creator and presenter of Ms Represented, presenter and writer for the ABC-wide Australia Talks project, and co-host of the initial and 2021 return series of Tomorrow Tonight. She has written and presented the documentary series on life inside parliament, The House, With Annabel Crabb. She created the political interview series Kitchen Cabinet, which she has presented for seven seasons on ABC TV, and for which she received two Logie nominations in 2013 including the Graham Kennedy Award For Most Outstanding New Talent and Most Popular New Female Talent.

Annabel is a regular face on ABC TV's election night and Budget broadcasts and has a long history of appearances on ABC's Insiders program, including a stint as acting host in 2019.



#### **SIMON KUESTENMACHER**

##### **Co-Founder, Demographics Group**

Simon Kuestenmacher is a Director and Co-founder of The Demographics Group based in Melbourne, Australia. He holds degrees in geography from leading universities in Berlin and Melbourne and worked for several years as a business consultant with KPMG Australia.

In 2017 Simon, with Bernard Salt, co-founded The Demographics Group. The group provides specialist advice on demographic, consumer and social trends for business. He has presented to numerous corporate and industry audiences across Australia and overseas on demographic trends, consumer insights and cultural change in Australia.

Simon's presentations and quirky observations are enjoyed by groups from the financial services, property, government, education, technology, retail and professional services industries, among others.

He is a columnist for The New Daily newspaper and a contributor to The Australian newspaper and he is a media commentator on demographic and data matters.



### **STEPHEN YARWOOD**

#### **Urbanist**

Stephen Yarwood is a renowned Futurist, highly respected Urbanist, former Lord Mayor of Adelaide and an award-winning member of the Planning Institute of Australia. Serving as a catalyst for change for both corporate and community organisations, his passion extends beyond envisioning the future; he actively educates, motivates and empowers people to shape it.

With a strong skill set in cross-disciplinary strategic foresight, he is deeply fascinated by the dynamic interplay between people, places, technology, and change. Recognised as an international thought leader on “the future citizen,” Stephen is committed to collaborative leadership that aids corporate and community leaders in navigating the rapidly changing and complex social, environmental, and economic landscape, allowing them to explore possible futures and create preferred outcomes.



### **BECKY HIRST**

#### **Author**

Becky Hirst is a well-respected leader in community engagement across the world. Beginning her career in the late nineties during the early-Blair years of social inclusion and community development, over two decades, Becky has worked with multiple communities, on multiple topics, across two continents. Her clients include countless local, state and federal Government agencies, as well as non-government organisations and private enterprise.

Becky is an energetic consultant, author, public speaker, trainer and mentor for those keen to develop their skills in engaging with people, groups and communities. In October 2021, Becky was awarded a Fellowship of the Royal Society for Arts, Manufactures and Commerce (FRSA), in recognition of her exhaustive work on social inclusion and development in the UK and Australia, her best-selling book on community and participation, and her empowering services toward engagement and bringing people together.



### **CAMERON SULLINGS**

#### **Master of Ceremonies**

Cam Sullings is a long-time radio, video and online presenter in Canberra. He’s been behind the mic, in front of a lens or presenting on stage for more than 30 years. He currently presents two hours of content driven radio on Mix106.3 each Saturday.

Cam hosts many of Canberra’s top corporate events, gala evenings, awards nights and community gatherings. He is the on-screen presenter and ground announcer at Canberra Raiders home matches. He’s presented at other venues outside of Canberra including Sydney’s Olympic Stadium and the SCG.

Through the day Cam manages his business, Present with Impact. He combines his presenting roles with public speaking and media tuition.



**Australian Council of  
Local Government**

## **ABOUT THE ACLG**

The Australian Government will hold the sixth Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG) in Canberra on 5 July 2024 at the National Convention Centre. The ACLG showcases the important partnership the Australian Government has with local governments across Australia, and puts local government priorities front and centre.

As a trusted partner, local governments are fundamental to the development and delivery of policies and programs for all Australians. The ACLG provides an important opportunity for councils to engage with Ministers on opportunities and challenges in their areas.

The ACLG was first established as a formal meeting between senior leaders of local government and the Australian Government in 2008. The establishment of the ACLG in 2023 builds on the Australian Government's commitment to work with local governments to build liveable and socially equitable communities in Australia's cities and regions.

The Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts is working with the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) to deliver this important event. The ACLG will coincide with ALGA's National General Assembly (NGA) from 2 to 4 July 2024.

## **PROGRAM OUTLINE**

### **Climate Change and Renewable Energy**

An opportunity to explore with local governments the practicalities of securing social license and community engagement around renewable energy projects

### **Disaster Recovery and Resilience**

A panel session designed to explore current support available for disaster events, resilience during and after disasters, telecommunications and future disaster mitigation challenges

### **Service Delivery Housing, Communications, Skills and Capacity**

An opportunity to discuss service delivery including skills shortages across the local government sector, the Housing Accord and national homelessness plan and managing an ageing population.

### **Peri-Urban Councils and Regional Cities**

An opportunity for a more open discussion to ascertain the experience and challenges of peri-urban councils and regional cities

## THE ACLG DINNER

The ACLG Gala Dinner will be held on the evening of Thursday 4 July 2024 in the Great Hall of Australian Parliament House, Canberra.

At the Gala Dinner the Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories, the Hon Kristy McBain will announce the winners of the National Awards for Local Government, and present each winning category with an award.



## GENERAL INFORMATION

All Australian local governments are invited to send elected members and staff, and state and territory association representatives to attend the ACLG Forum, and ONE council-endorsed delegate to the ACLG Gala Dinner. There is limited seating at the dinner, however there is a waitlist available for non-council-endorsed delegates who wish to attend.

There is no cost to attend the ACLG Forum and the ACLG Gala Dinner.

There are no limits to the number of online attendees.

Detailed timings and other arrangements will be provided closer to the date.



# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration form available at [NGA24.COM.AU](http://NGA24.COM.AU)

GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGISTRATION FEES		INCLUSIONS
Registration Fees — Early Bird Payment received by Friday 7 June 2024	\$945.00	— Attendance at all General Assembly sessions — Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea as per the General Assembly program
Registration Fees — Late Payment received after Friday 7 June 2024	\$1045.00	— One ticket to the Welcome Reception & Exhibition Opening — General Assembly satchel and materials
VIRTUAL REGISTRATION FEES		INCLUSIONS
Full Virtual Registration	\$739.00	— Virtual access to all General Assembly sessions for day(s) selected
Virtual Day Registration (Wednesday or Thursday)	\$539.00	— Meeting hub to connect with other virtual attendees
DAY REGISTRATION FEES		INCLUSIONS
Wednesday 3 July 2024	\$525.00	— Attendance at all General Assembly sessions on the day of registration
Thursday 4 July 2024	\$525.00	— Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea as per the General Assembly program on that day — General Assembly satchel and materials
TUESDAY REGIONAL FORUM REGISTRATION FEES		
Forum Only Tuesday 2 July 2024	\$475.00	
NGA Delegate Delegates attending the Regional Forum and the NGA are entitled to this discount	\$275.00	
ACCOMPANYING PARTNERS REGISTRATION FEES		INCLUSIONS
Accompanying Partners Registration Fee	\$330.00	— 1 ticket to the Welcome Reception, Tuesday 2 July — Day tour Wednesday 3 July — Day tour Thursday 4 July

All amounts include GST

# ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS



## A by Adina

1 Constitution Avenue, Canberra

A by Adina Canberra is the newest hotel to Canberra which is located on Constitution Avenue only a 5-minute walk from the National Convention Centre.

The hotel combines spacious apartment living with 24-hour reception, room service, service provided by knowledgeable concierges and a well-equipped gym.

A new dining district is also newly constructed in the immediate area.

All rooms have a king bed and the studios offer a twin option of two singles beds.

Studio Rooms: \$255 per night  
— Single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartments: \$285 per night  
— Single/double

2 Bedroom Apartments: \$475 per night  
— Single/twin/double

## Avenue Hotel

80 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

The Avenue Hotel is one of the only 5 star options in the Canberra city and offers guests both studio and apartment style rooms. The hotel is a 15-20 minute walk from the Convention Centre.

The apartments have a fully functioning kitchen. Twin option at the hotel consists of two king singles.

Superior King Rooms \$305 per night  
— Single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartments \$335 per night  
— Single/double

## Crowne Plaza

1 Binara Street, Canberra

The Crowne Plaza is adjacent to the Convention Centre and only a short walk from restaurants, bars and the main shopping district.

Twin option at the hotel consists of two double beds.

City View Room \$360 per night  
— Single/twin/double

Park View Room \$405 per night  
— Single/twin/double

## Mantra on Northbourne

84 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra

Mantra on Northbourne is centrally located within the CBD and approximately a 15-20 minute walk from the National Convention Centre. The hotel features underground parking (for a fee), a 24 hour reception, a heated indoor pool, sauna and a fully-equipped gymnasium.

All apartments offer one king bed, individually controlled air-conditioning, WiFi (for a fee), pay per view movies, mini bar, tea/coffee making facilities, a separate lounge and dining area, kitchen and a fully equipped laundry.

1 Bedroom Apartments: \$219 per night  
— Single/double

## Nesuto Apartments

2 Akuna Street, Canberra

Located in the heart of Canberra's CBD, the Nesuto Apartments is only a five-minute walk from the National Convention Centre. The one-bedroom apartments also offer a separate lounge/dining area.

Twin option at the hotel consists of two single beds. Additional costs will apply if more than 2 guests are within the one room.

Studio Apartment \$275 per night  
— Single/twin/double

1 Bedroom Apartments \$295 per night  
— Single/twin/double

## Qt Hotel

1 London Circuit, Canberra

The Qt Hotel is a modern hotel with boutique style furnishings, central to the city and a 10-minute walk to the National Convention Centre.

Twin option at the hotel consists of two single beds.

King Room \$239 per night  
— Single/twin/double

Superior King Room \$259 per night  
— Single/twin/double

## The Sebel Canberra Civic

197 London Circuit, Canberra

The Sebel Canberra Civic is one of Canberra's newest hotels which opened in June 2019 and is just a 7-minute walk from the National Convention Centre.

This property offers free WiFi throughout the hotel, a fully equipped gym, and an onsite restaurant and bar lounge.

All rooms come with a fully equipped kitchenette with Nespresso machine and dining table. Every bathroom is accessibility friendly with walk in showers.

Superior rooms come with a queen bed, Executives are fitted with king beds.

Superior Room \$235 per night  
— Single/double

Executive Room \$265 per night  
— Single/double

# CANCELLATION POLICY

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## **STANDARD REGISTRATION TERMS**

An administration charge of \$110.00 will be made to any participant cancelling before Friday 7 June 2024. Cancellations received after Friday 7 June 2024 will be required to pay full registration fees. However, if you are unable to attend, substitutes are welcome at no additional cost

By submitting your registration you agree to the terms of the cancellation policy.

### **Substitutions**

As with all ALGA events, substitutions are allowed for delegates. Please notify the conference organisers in writing if substitutions are required.

No refund will be available to no shows.

## **ACCOMMODATION TERMS**

All cancellations or amendments must be made in writing to Conference Co-ordinators and will be acknowledged by email.

All rooms cancelled 30 day prior to check-in will be charged the full amount unless the room can be resold.

You are required to pay for your full accommodation account and any incidental expenses incurred during your stay when checking in to the hotel.

No refund will be available to no shows.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

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## Privacy Disclosure

ALGA collects your personal contact information in its role as a peak body for local government. ALGA may disclose your personal contact information to the sponsors of the event for the purposes of commercial business opportunities.

If you do not consent to ALGA using and disclosing your personal contact information in this way, please tick the appropriate box on the registration form.

Importantly, your name can also be included in the General Assembly List of Participants. You must tick the appropriate box on the registration form if you wish your name to appear in this list.

## Photographs

During the General Assembly there will be a contracted photographer taking photographs during the sessions and social functions. If you have your picture taken it is assumed that you are giving consent for ALGA to use the image. Images may be used for print and electronic publications.

## Car Parking

Parking for delegates is available underneath the National Convention Centre for a cost of approximately \$22.00 per day. Alternatively, voucher public parking is available 300m from the Centre at a cost of approximately \$19.00 per day. The voucher machines accept either cash or cards (Visa or MasterCard).

## Coach Transfers

Welcome Reception and Exhibition Opening - Tuesday 2 July 2024  
National Convention Centre

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) at approximately 4:45pm. The return coaches will depart at 7:00pm.

Daily Shuttles to and from the National Convention Centre

A shuttle service between all General Assembly hotels (except Crowne Plaza Canberra) and the National Convention Centre will operate between 8:00am and 8:30am. Return shuttles will depart the National Convention Centre at 5:30pm.

**General Assembly Dinner- Wednesday 3 July 2024**  
EPIC, Canberra

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels at approximately 6:30pm. A return shuttle service will operate between 10:30pm and 11:45pm.

**ACLG Dinner- Thursday 4 July 2024**  
Parliament House, Canberra

Coaches will collect delegates from all General Assembly hotels at approximately 6:15pm. A return shuttle service will operate between 10:30pm and 11:00pm.

## Payment Procedures

Payment can be made by:

Credit card

MasterCard and Visa

Cheque

Made payable to ALGA

Electronic Funds Transfer

Bank: Commonwealth Bank

Branch: Woden

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Account No: 10097760

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## Contact Details

Conference Co-ordinators

PO Box 905

Woden ACT 2606

Phone: 02 6292 9000

Email: nga@confco.com.au

All amounts include GST. Invoices are sent once a registration has been completed.

## Canberra Weather in July

Winter days in Canberra are characterised by clear sunny skies but the days are cool at around 11-15C and temperatures do drop to 0C on average in the evenings, so be sure to bring a warm jacket.

Mornings can be foggy so keep this in mind when booking flights. It is best to avoid early arrivals or departures in case of delays due to fog.