

# Hellenic Australian Lawyers Association

## International Legal Conference

### THEMES IN DEMOCRACY – LIBERTY, JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Rhodes, Greece  
5 – 10 July 2020



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

The Hon Justice  
Stephen Gageler AC  
High Court of Australia

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# Conference Program\*

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
Sunday 5 July	4:00pm-8:00pm	Conference Registration	Sheraton Rhodes Resort Imperial Ballroom Lobby (level 7)
Monday 6 July	7:00am-8:00am	Conference Registration	Imperial Ballroom Lobby
	9:00am-1:30pm	Archaeological Museum (Hospital of the Knights), Old Town and Mandraki Harbour Cultural Tour (Optional)	Coaches departing Sheraton Rhodes Resort
	6:30pm		Coaches departing Sheraton Rhodes Resort for Opening
	7:30pm-11:30pm	Conference Opening and Welcome Reception	Kallithea Springs
Tuesday 7 July	9:30am-10:20am	Conference Welcome and Keynote Address	Imperial Ballroom
	10:20am-10:50am	Morning Tea	Imperial Ballroom
	10:50am-12:50pm	Plenary Session	Imperial Ballroom
	12:50pm-2:20pm	Lunch	Castellania Restaurant (Sheraton)
	2:20pm-3:45pm	Plenary Session	Imperial Ballroom
	3:45pm-4:15pm	Afternoon Tea	Imperial Ballroom
	4:15pm-5:20pm	Plenary Session	Imperial Ballroom
Wednesday 8 July	9:00am-3:30pm	Kritinia Castle and Embona Cultural Tour (Optional)	Coaches departing Sheraton Rhodes Resort
Thursday 9 July	9:30am-11:00am	Plenary Session	Imperial Ballroom
	11:00am-11:30am	Morning Tea	Imperial Ballroom
	11:30am-1:00pm	Plenary Session	Imperial Ballroom
	1:00pm-2:30pm	Lunch	Castellania Restaurant (Sheraton)
	2:30pm-4:00pm	Plenary Session	Imperial Ballroom
	8:00pm-11:30pm	Closing Dinner	Sheraton Rhodes Resort Mediterraneo Restaurant
Friday 10 July	2:00pm-7:30pm	Profitis Ilias and Ancient City of Kamiros Cultural Tour (Optional)	Coaches departing Sheraton Rhodes Resort

\*Subject to Change

## Conference Speakers

The chair of the Conference Program Committee is the **Hon Justice Anthe Philippides**.

The program will be updated regularly as further information on topics is received, as well as additional overseas speakers.

## Keynote Speaker

**The Hon Justice Stephen Gageler AC**

High Court of Australia

## Other Speakers Include:

**Chief Justice Alan Blow AO**

Chief Justice of Tasmania; HAL Tasmanian Chapter Patron

**Chief Justice Michael Grant**

Chief Justice of Northern Territory; HAL NT Chapter Patron

**Baroness Helena Kennedy of The Shaws QC**

Doughty Street Chambers

**Chief Justice Chris Kourakis**

Chief Justice of South Australia; HAL National & SA Chapter Patron

**Justice Emilios Kyrou**

Judge of Appeal, Victoria; HAL Victorian Chapter Patron

**Lord Ken Macdonald of River Glaven Kt QC**

Warden of Wadham College, University of Oxford

**Chief Justice Helen Murrell**

Chief Justice of Australian Capital Territory; HAL ACT Chapter Patron

**Justice Melissa Perry**

Justice of the Federal Court of Australia; HAL NSW Chapter Patron

**Justice Anthe Philippides**

Judge of Appeal, Queensland; HAL Queensland Chapter Patron

**Chief Justice Peter Quinlan**

Chief Justice of Western Australia; HAL WA Chapter Patron

**Justice Kevin Zervos**

Judge of Appeal of the High Court of Hong Kong

# Introduction

Those wishing to attend are encouraged to register early. The number of places available for Delegates and Accompanying Persons at the Conference is limited. It is anticipated registrations will be closed well before December 2019.

The Hellenic Australian Lawyers Association (HAL) is delighted to be hosting the HAL International Legal Conference in Rhodes, Greece from 5-10 July 2020. The Association comprises lawyers, who have a Hellenic background or are Philhellenes, and provides opportunities to engage in professional activities and encourage cultural harmony and diversity. The National Patron of the Association is the Honourable Chris Kourakis, Chief Justice of South Australia.

We are honoured to have the Honourable Justice Stephen Gageler AC, High Court of Australia, as the Keynote Speaker.

The Conference will feature eminent jurists and leading scholars speaking on engaging topics for lawyers and accompanying persons, whether or not of Hellenic background, and will provide opportunities to witness some amazing historical sites and cultural activities.

The Conference theme is “**Themes in Democracy – Liberty, Justice and Human Rights**”. Further details of topics, speakers and other events will be advised closer to the Conference.

## MCLE/MCPD/CPD Accreditation

If you are a holder of a Practising Certificate, and this particular educational activity is relevant to your immediate or long term needs in relation to your professional development and practice of the law, then you may be eligible to claim MCLE/MCPD/CPD points for your attendance. However, as not all jurisdictions have the same requirements for accreditation, delegates should make their own enquiries as to accreditation.

## Rhodes, Greece

The HAL International Conference will be held on the historic Island of Rhodes which:

- is the largest and most visited island of the Dodecanese islands, situated in the Aegean Sea;
- was known as the Island of the Knights, having been conquered by the Knights of St John of Jerusalem;
- was once home of the famous Colossus of Rhodes, one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World;
- has a fascinating Medieval Old Town, declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site;
- is home to the Acropolis of Rhodes, and the Acropolis of Lindos.

## Conference Website and Registration

Details of the conference will be updated on the HAL website at [www.hal.asn.au/rhodes2020](http://www.hal.asn.au/rhodes2020). You can also register for the conference online via the website.

## Registration

A registration desk will be open from 4:00pm – 8:00pm on Sunday 5 July 2020 and also 7:00am – 8:00am on Monday 6 July 2020 at the Sheraton Rhodes Resort Imperial Ballroom Lobby (Level 7). At registration you will receive your name badge and Conference satchel. Delegates and Accompanying Persons can register at any of the above times, although 5 July 2020 is preferable.

## Opening Address and Reception

On the evening of 6 July 2020 there will be the Official Opening, followed by a Welcome Drinks Reception at Kallithea Springs.

## Location of Plenary Sessions

The Plenary sessions will be conducted in the Imperial Ballroom on Level 7 of the Sheraton Rhodes Resort.

## List of Participants

In order for your name to be included in the Participants List, which will be published at the Conference and made available to other Delegates and Accompanying Persons, your registration must be received by 20 February 2020 (subject to registrations not closing earlier). When registering, you will be able to indicate if you wish to be included in the list or not.

## Lanyards required at all times

Lanyards will be required to be worn to obtain entry to the Official Opening, while at the Plenary Sessions and also the Closing Dinner. Lanyards will be required to be shown when attending the Tours.

## Language

The working language of the Conference is English.

## Dress Code

Official Opening	Business Casual (sports jacket or suit optional)
Plenary Sessions	Smart Casual
Closing Dinner	Smart Casual
Island Tours	Casual

(Conservative and respectful attire is required to enter any churches or monasteries with beach attire not permitted.)

## Any enquiries relating to the plenary sessions or sponsorship should be referred to:

Manuel (Mal) Varitimos CBE QC  
HAL Rhodes Conference Committee Chair  
[RhodesConference@hal.asn.au](mailto:RhodesConference@hal.asn.au) or (07) 3008 4200

## Conference Event Management Company and enquiries

Enquiries regarding registration and the Conference venue (including accommodation at the Sheraton Rhodes Resort) should be directed to the Conference Managers.

Conference Design Pty Ltd  
E: [mail@conferencedesign.com.au](mailto:mail@conferencedesign.com.au)  
P: +61 3 6231 2999

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**Peter Polichronis at Atlas Travel Service can be contacted by:**

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## Disabled access

Please indicate when registering if you require any special assistance or have any special mobility requirements.

## Insurance

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## Visas

Australian and New Zealand Passport holders do not currently require a visa to visit Greece for tourist travel for a stay up to 90 days. Australian and New Zealand Passports should have a minimum validity of at least six months beyond travel dates. Passport holders from some countries will require a visa and registrants should independently check any requirements in this regard at the time of registration and shortly before travel in the event of any change.

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