

WHERE:
Grand Hyatt Hotel
Melbourne

WHEN:
9-10 March 2017

MINERALS COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA - BIENNIAL



TAX²⁰¹⁷ CONFERENCE

THE COMPETITIVENESS
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AN INVITATION

The Minerals Council of Australia is pleased to announce that the Biennial Tax Conference will be held in Melbourne on Thursday 9 March and Friday 10 March. The venue for the conference will be The Grand Hyatt Melbourne.

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THE MCA BIENNIAL TAX CONFERENCE 2017

About the MCA Biennial Tax Conference 2017

The MCA Biennial Tax Conference is the nation's premier event focusing on minerals taxation issues. It attracts resource taxation experts, policy makers, leading business figures, officials and high-profile commentators providing a forum to discuss and debate the key taxation issues facing the Australian minerals industry.

The conference features dedicated sessions on specific minerals taxation topics to upgrade the skills of minerals company taxation specialists and related finance, legal and accounting professionals and will also feature dedicated sessions on specific minerals taxation topics.

Program highlights

Keynote speaker:

Dr Jack Mintz is a prominent Canadian tax expert, commentator and President's Fellow of the School of Public Policy at the University of Calgary. He will present a major piece of new research on the Australian corporate tax system.

Session topics will include:

- Australia's corporate tax competitiveness
- The policy reform challenge
- Tax transparency
- ATO perspectives
- Mergers & acquisitions – key tax considerations
- Developments in corporate finance and thin capitalisation rules

THURSDAY 9 MARCH 2017

9.00 am	Registration and welcome (coffee and tea)	12.45 pm	Panel forum: Tax transparency Speakers: Ann-Maree Wolff, Board of Tax; Bruce Wilson, Department of Industry, Innovation and Science
10.00 am	Conference opening MCA Tax Committee Chair's address	1.45 pm	Panel forum: ATO approaches to central operating models Speakers: Jeremy Hirschhorn, ATO; Rebecca Saint, ATO; Paul Riley, Deloitte and Anthony Portas, Minter Ellison
10.20 am	Plenary session: Australia's corporate tax competitiveness Speaker: Dr Jack Mintz, School of Public Policy, University of Calgary	2.45 pm	Afternoon Tea
11.00 am	Panel forum: The policy reform challenge Speakers: Tony Shepherd AO, Dr Jack Mintz, Martin Ferguson AM	3.15 pm	Plenary session: ATO perspectives Speaker: Jeremy Hirschhorn, ATO
12.00 pm	Lunch	4.00 pm	Plenary session: BEPS – Current state of play Speaker: Grant Wardell-Johnson, KPMG
		4.45 pm	Plenary session: The economic and commodity price outlook
		6.30 pm	Conference dinner Garden Restaurant, National Gallery of Victoria

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FRIDAY 10 MARCH 2017

9.00 am	Plenary session: The Government's tax agenda Speaker: The Hon Kelly O'Dwyer MP, Minister for Revenue and Financial Services	11.15 am	Plenary session: Current issues in capital allowances Speaker: James Macky, KPMG
9.30 am	Plenary session: Diverted Profits Tax Speakers: Tony Frost and Hugh Paynter, Greenwoods & Herbert Smith Freehills	12.00 pm	Lunch
10.15 am	Morning Tea	12.45 pm	Plenary session: Mergers and acquisitions – key tax considerations Speaker: Hayden Scott, PWC
10.45 am	Plenary session: Labor's tax policy perspectives Speaker: Dr Andrew Leigh MP, Shadow Assistant Treasurer	1.45 pm	Plenary session: Developments in corporate finance and the thin capitalisation rules Speaker: Andrew Van Dinter, EY
		2.30 pm	Panel session: Tax function of the future Speaker: Patrick Grob, Deloitte
		2.45-3.15 pm	Conference summation and close MCA Tax Committee Chair

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Conference dinner

The Conference dinner will take place at the National Gallery of Victoria.

Where: **The Garden Restaurant**
National Gallery of Victoria (NGV)
180 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne

When: 6.30 pm on 9 March 2017



Conference venue

Grand Hyatt Melbourne

Located on prestigious Collins Street – the epicentre of high fashion and fine dining in Melbourne, Grand Hyatt Melbourne is renowned for its luxury and consistent service excellence. It offers a wide range of facilities and services to meet guests’ needs, including spectacular upper and lower lobbies, Collins Kitchen restaurant, RU-CO bar, City Club gym and a swath of boutiques.

Accommodation

Delegates are required to book their own accommodation. The MCA has secured special rates for delegates at the **Grand Hyatt Melbourne**.

Grand King Room

Single: \$300 (Full buffet breakfast for one)

Double: \$330 (Full buffet breakfast for two)

Visit melbourne.grand.hyatt.com to make a reservation or call our Reservations team on 13 12 34 and quote reference code G-MNRM.

Reservations cancelled after 21 February (30 days from arrival) will incur a 100 per cent cancellation charge.

Delegates are encouraged to book early to obtain the discounted rate.

Administration

The MCA registration and enquiry desk will be located at the Grand Hyatt Melbourne, adjacent to the conference rooms.

Dress code

Smart casual

Privacy policy

At the time of registering for the conference you have the option to indicate whether or not you agree to the MCA providing personal information supplied on the registration form (i.e. name, position, organisation and email only) to the delegates and sponsors of this event.

You have the right to access personal information that may be held by the MCA in accordance with the terms and conditions of the *Privacy Act (Cth) 1988*. The MCA reserves the right to alter the program, including listed speakers and session times as deemed necessary.

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REGISTRATION

The Biennial Tax Conference is a minerals industry event open to industry and related practitioners. The MCA reserves the right to decline registrations to the event.

Registration fees and inclusions

Registration type	Sessions (2 days)	Conference dinner	Cost
Early bird registrations (prior to 23 Dec)			
MCA Member and Associate Member	●	●	\$1400
Non MCA Member	●	●	\$1600
Standard Registration			
MCA Member and Associate Member	●	●	\$1500
Non MCA Member	●	●	\$1700
Conference dinner additional tickets		●	\$190

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Group discount

Organisations booking three or more delegates will receive a 10 per cent discount off the early bird rate.

Cancellation policy

Cancellations received in writing by 9 February will receive a full refund minus an administration fee of \$75. Cancellations received after this date will not receive a refund.

(Please refer to the accommodation section of this document for accommodation cancellation policy).

How to register

Please register online via

www.taxconference.com.au