



ECU Law Assembly Insights into Modern Slavery

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Insights into Modern Slavery

Slavery did not end with its abolition in the 19th century. Instead, it changed its form and continues to impact people in every country in the world. Slavery is defined under the United Nations Slavery Convention (1926) as *'the status or condition of a person over whom any or all of the powers attaching to the right of ownership are exercised'*. There are an estimated 21 - 45 million people directly affected by some form of slavery today.

'Modern slavery' is a term used to describe a range of extreme labour rights abuses, including slavery, servitude, human trafficking and forced or compulsory labour and can affect people of any age, gender or race. However, most commonly, slavery affects people and communities who are vulnerable to being taken advantage of.

Considering it to be a moral imperative to eradicate modern slavery and understanding the need of robust legislation, the Australian Government recently passed the Modern Slavery Act 2018. This legislation requires entities with an annual consolidated revenue of more than \$100 million to formally report on all potential modern slavery risks in their global operations and supply chains, as well as the mitigation measures to address them.

The focus of this Law Assembly is to explore and learn about modern slavery from an Australian perspective as well as acknowledge international developments.

When: Friday 19 July 2019

Where: The Duxton Hotel Perth
1 St Georges Terrace, Perth

Time: 5:00pm - 5:20pm Registrations
5:20pm - 6:45pm Presentations and Forum
6:45pm - 7:30pm Networking over refreshments

To register and obtain your free admission pass for this event, please log on to the Eventbrite website:

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Kind regards,

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In this Assembly, the Hon. Justice Robert Mazza along with other speakers will provide their insights and discussions on this topic.

This forum features the following presenters:

Chief Guest: Hon. Justice Robert Anthony Mazza is a judge of the Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court of Western Australia and former judge of the District Court of Western Australia. Justice Mazza was appointed to the Supreme Court of Western Australia in 2010. In 2004, he was appointed a judge of the District Court of Western Australia. In 2002 he was appointed as Deputy President of the Equal Opportunity Tribunal. Justice Mazza was educated at St Louis School, Claremont and the University of Western Australia. He graduated with a Bachelor of Laws in 1980 and was admitted to practice in 1981. His Honour practised predominantly in the area of criminal law. Justice Mazza was formerly the President of the Australasian Institute of Judicial Administrators (AIJA) and is currently a trustee and governor of the University of Notre Dame Australia.

Keynote speaker: Mr Chris Gianatti, is a lawyer and Director of KHQ Lawyers. Before joining KHQ, Chris was a partner at a national workplace relations boutique firm based in Melbourne. Chris worked for a number of years with the law firm Corrs before moving in-house to Telstra as HR Legal Counsel for the 'Factory' (covering Telstra's back of house operations including the field workforce). In that role he was a key strategic advisor on Workplace Relations, Talent & Organizational Development and Remuneration, as well as being a major advisor to Payroll, Vendor Management and Corporate Security on employment issues. Chris' expertise spans the full range of industrial and employment matters. Chris regularly appears in the Fair Work Commission, as well as in the Federal and State courts nationally. Chris' major clients are spread across a range of industries including resources, infrastructure, construction, banking, manufacturing, transport, media, professional services and retail. Chris has received formal recognition of national and international acclaim.

Insight Speaker: Associate Professor Joshua Aston, PhD is an Associate Professor of Law in the School of Business and Law, ECU. Joshua has extensive experience in research, teaching and leadership in academia. Joshua's areas of interests are International Criminal Law, International Human Rights Law and Law of Contracts. Joshua has presented research papers at various international and national conferences and seminars. Joshua is the recipient of various international scholarships and fellowships and serves as a member of various academic and educational committees and bodies at the university and international level.