

# FRIENDSHIP AGREEMENT

between

**THE INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION  
OF THE LAW COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA**

and

**THE GERMAN – AUSTRALIAN – PACIFIC  
LAWYERS’ ASSOCIATION**

The International Law Section of the Law Council of Australia is a section formed by the Law Council of Australia. Its objectives include clarification and promotion of the rights of its members when practising international law or becoming involved in international transactions. The International Law Section of the Law Council of Australia has invited the German – Australian – Pacific Lawyers’ Association to join in a Friendship Agreement.

The German – Australian – Pacific Lawyers’ Association was formed by German and Australian lawyers to strengthen and develop contact between lawyers in Germany, Australia and the Pacific region to clarify legal issues and promote understanding of, and provide access to each other’s legal systems.

In recognition of the increasing trans-border nature of the practice of law, and in recognition of the common principles shared by members of the legal profession internationally, and the commitment of legal professionals to continuing education, the International Law Section of the Law Council of Australia and the German – Australian – Pacific Lawyers’ Association are formulating this Friendship Agreement.

The International Law Section of the Law Council of Australia and the German – Australian – Pacific Lawyers’ Association, recognising their mutual interests in the law,

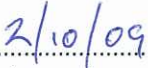
- desiring to strengthen their co-operation in promoting the mutual respect and exchanges between lawyers in both countries and the exchange of legal information and materials,
- recognising their mutual support of the rule of law and the development of legal research work throughout the world,
- recognising the growing importance of trade and other ties between the two nations and their peoples and the vital part played by the law in these relationships,
- each inviting the other’s members to other agreed seminars and functions on the same basis as the International Law Section of the Law Council of Australia and the German – Australian – Pacific Lawyers’ Association invite their own members,

- each publishing to their respective members relevant information concerning seminars, conferences and programs offered by the other, and
- cross-promoting membership

hereby agree that they will seek to enhance the rule of the law and the profession of law and to develop and maintain a relationship based on mutual respect and co-operation, and that through exchanges based on mutual respect and co-operation, and that through exchanges as appropriate of legal publications, materials and information, as well as visits of lawyers, they will endeavour to strengthen the bonds which join them as members of the legal profession.

for the International Law Section of the  
Law Council of Australia:

  
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for the German – Australian – Pacific Lawyers'  
Association:

  
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