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Registrations Now Open for the Thredbo 17 Conference

Registrations for the 17th conference of the International Conference Series on Competition and Ownership in Land Passenger Transport (The Thredbo Series) are now open. The conference is being held at <u>The Grace Hotel</u> in Sydney, Australia from 4 to 8th September, 2022.

The Thredbo conference series has garnered a formidable reputation for being the premier international forum dedicated to the analysis and debate of competition and ownership issues in land passenger transport. This influential forum attracts high quality participation and delivers a large portfolio of impressive material synthesising developments not only from developed economies but increasingly from developing economies.

The conference series is directed towards a broad audience of industry players (government and public transport operators), policy makers, planners, decision makers on infrastructure and service operators, consultants, researchers, academics and students.

As with past conferences, Thredbo 17 will feature plenary sessions and a series of intensive workshops based around keynote papers and a series of resource papers providing a range of international perspectives on each issue. All delegates are required to stay in their workshop of choice for the duration of the conference to encourage productive discussion. There will be three plenary panels of key industry players and regulators.

Conference Workshop Themes

WS1 Regulatory regimes: national and comparative regulation of public transport
WS2 Contracting and concessions: governance of the relationship between authorities and operators. (Governance, competition and ownership)
WS3 Infrastructure, services and urban development
WS4 Optimising the impact of technological innovation on achieving sustainable public transport outcomes
WS5 New service models: Governing emerging mobility services
WS6 Micromobility movement in urban transport
WS7 Sustainable transport systems designed to meet the needs of both users and residents
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In addition, a number of social events have been planned including a welcome reception, an afternoon tour to a state of the art zero emission bus depot and a wonderful evening navigating Sydney Harbour aboard the recently completed super yacht, <u>The Jackson</u>.

You can register for the conference here:

Further details and the full conference program is available here.

Testimonials

The Thredbo series of conferences is one of the only conferences of its kind in the world where operators, regulators and academics get together to discuss, in plenary and workshop sessions, the very important aspects of, amongst other, contracting in public transport. It provides for robust discussions, relevant research results, trends and updates on this very important aspect of the provision and management of public transport in developed and developing countries.

Professor Jackie Walters, Director of the Institute for Transport and Logistics Studies (ITLS) (Africa)

The Thredbo series is my biannual intellectual injection. As a practicing lawyer advising private bus operators, the Thredbo series provides the much-needed update on the industry globally and locally and there is nowhere else that comes close in building networks and learning of best practice.

Peter Dwyer, Partner Piper Alderman

I have attended and presented at many conferences, but the Thredbo series is without doubt the best I have participated in. The workshop format ensures great debate and outcomes of great academic and practical relevance. The mix of academics, regulators, industry operators and suppliers, and consultants, ensures that the conference is rich in ideas and relevance.

Emeritus Professor Chris Nash, University of Leeds

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