



**AUSTRALASIAN**  
ETHICS NETWORK

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## **AEN CONFERENCE 2023**

**10-12 MAY 2023**

**Melbourne, Victoria**

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**EMERGING ISSUES IN RESEARCH  
ETHICS: KEEPING UP AND BRINGING  
OTHERS ALONG**

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**SPONSORSHIP  
PROSPECTUS**

# AUSTRALASIAN CONFERENCE 2023

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On behalf of the Organising Committee, we are delighted to invite you to support the Australasian Ethics Network Conference (AEN23) to be held from the 10 – 12 May 2023, in Melbourne, Australia.

## AUSTRALASIAN ETHICS NETWORK

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The [AEN](#) is a broad network promoting human ethics review among universities, research institutes and hospitals and interacts closely with government bodies, regulators and funding bodies.

The AEN initially met at the University of Wollongong in 2009 as an extension of the established NSW Universities HREC Chairs annual workshop. Conferences were subsequently held in Melbourne (2010), Brisbane (2012), Fremantle (2013), Sydney (2014), Adelaide (2016) and Townsville (2018) (No conference was held in 2020 due to Covid). AEN has evolved into a strong network with a broad audience and geographic coverage. Recent successful conferences have attendance rates of up to 300 delegates per event. AEN conferences are held every 2 years with support from the Australasian Research Management Society and industry sponsors.

## CONFERENCE THEME

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### “Emerging Issues in Research Ethics: Keeping Up and Bringing Others Along”

The breakneck speed of emerging research mean that research ethics is a constantly evolving field. Many of us are acutely aware of this when faced with trying to review the ethical implications of a new form of research methodology or new research area. Added to this is the pace of social change, locally and globally. Research ethics guidelines, of necessity, are principle based to allow them to be relevant and therefore of assistance to researchers and HREC members in this fast changing space. But questions still arise about how we should apply these principles to novel research and methods.

This conference will provide a forum for talking together about some of these new developments and how research ethics committees and their institutions can respond effectively with ethically sound guidance to meet these new examples. Just a few of the many examples of what is now facing research ethics committees and researchers are:

- At this moment, the data of 4.2 billion people are available online through social media, anonymous data can be re-identified using only 15 data points. Is there now any such things an anonymous or irreversibly de-linked data?
- Public posts disclosing medical diagnoses have created a wealth of data used to study COVID-19 vaccination side effects, endometritis, MS. This identified data is accessible to anyone with a computer. What meaning does protection of privacy have now?
- A previously simple demographic question to participants about their gender (M or F?) is simple no longer, and can simultaneously alienate some and discriminate against others, many, while presenting participant in countries with strict gender expression with a situation where a non-binary answer to this question would break the law.
- Keeping data gathered in some jurisdictions confidential has become difficult to do legally when researchers attempt to transfer participant information outside the country due to laws governing encrypted information.

The AEN Conference will look to explore the reading, researching, training within our institutions to ensure we are providing our researchers with the most up to date advice and guidance, while also protecting the safety of research participants. But it is ultimately through collaboration and discussion we can move forward confidently while official policies and standards are catching up.

# SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

This conference will attract Researchers, Ethics Committee Members, Ethics Chairs, Ethics Administrators, Research Governance Officers and Research Managers from across Australia, New Zealand and Singapore. This represents a unique opportunity to engage with these groups, exchanging ideas, receiving feedback and presenting innovation in the area of human ethics review.

As a sponsor you are able to have your company's brand and message in front of key personnel engaged in ethics practices. Sponsorship levels include; Major, Event, Session and various other packages. We are also happy to offer flexibility of sponsorship packages allowing us to tailor a package to more accurately suit your objectives for supporting this event.

For further information regarding these opportunities contact ARMS Executive Office.



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## OPPORTUNITIES AT A GLANCE

<b>MAJOR SPONSOR</b> *EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY*	<b>SOLD</b>
<b>EVENT SPONSOR</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
<b>SESSION SPONSOR</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>
<b>WELCOME RECEPTION SPONSOR</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>
<b>LUNCH SPONSOR</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>
<b>MORNING OR AFTERNOON TEA SPONSOR</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
<b>NAME BADGE &amp; LANYARD SPONSOR</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>
<b>WORKSHOP SPONSOR</b>	<b>\$2,000</b>
<b>TRADE TABLE DISPLAY</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>

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# SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS

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As a sponsor, your company will gain second-to-none exposure to Research Management Professionals at all levels, including decision makers at the point in time that they are seeking solutions, information and systems for improving their organisation's strategies. For a select few sponsors, you can build your reputation as a market leader through subject-specific presentations, and workshops.

## Benefits to sponsors include:

- The opportunity to relay your key messages to a captive and relevant audience
- Inform and update delegates on new initiatives and developments in your own organisation
- The opportunity to network with key industry people outside of the work environment
- An opportunity for your key staff to connect face to face with the most influential people, bodies and organisations in research and research management in one place over a short period of time
- Show your support to the industry by being associated with this important event
- Your organisation will receive wide acknowledgment to an international database leading up to, during and after the conference

# SECRETARIAT

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EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY - 1 ONLY  
**\$8,000**

## SPONSOR RECOGNITION

- Major sponsor acknowledgement at opening and closing of the conference
- Organisation name and logo prominent in all literature and signage relating to the conference
- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- Organisation logo on social media, highlighting level of sponsorship
- Organisation 200-word profile on event website
- Organisation logo on regularly distributed electronic newsletters in the lead up to the event
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide
- Access to final delegate list (subject to privacy laws & individual consent of the delegate)

## SPONSOR PROMOTION

- Organisation pull up banner on display near the conference registration desk (banner to be supplied by sponsor)
- Two (2) A4, Single Sided, PDF inserts in delegate e-satchel (provided via direct email pre event)
- One pre-conference email to delegates

## REGISTRATION INCLUSIONS

- Two (2) Full Event Registrations (*does not include any Pre-Post Conference activities*)

## EXHIBITION INCLUSIONS

- One (1) Trade Table Display in prominent location

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# EVENT SPONSOR

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

**\$5,000**

## SPONSOR RECOGNITION

- Event sponsor acknowledgement at opening and closing of the conference
- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- Organisation logo on social media, highlighting level of sponsorship
- Organisation 100-word profile on event website
- Organisation logo on regularly distributed electronic newsletters in the lead up to the event
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide
- Access to final delegate list (subject to privacy laws & individual consent of the delegate)

## SPONSOR PROMOTION

- One (1) A4, Single Sided, PDF inserts in delegate e-satchel (provided via direct email pre event)

## REGISTRATION INCLUSIONS

- Two (2) Full Event Registrations (*does not include any Pre-Post Conference activities*)

## EXHIBITION INCLUSIONS

- One (1) Trade Table Display

# SESSION SPONSOR

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

**\$3,000**

## SPONSOR RECOGNITION

- Named as sponsor at session of your choice (subject to availability)
- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- One (1) pull up banners displayed at session (sponsor to provide)
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide
- Access to final delegate list (subject to privacy laws & individual consent of the delegate)

## SPONSOR PROMOTION

- One (1) A4, Single Sided, PDF inserts in delegate e-satchel (provided via direct email pre event)

## REGISTRATION INCLUSIONS

- One (1) Full Event Registration (*does not include any Pre-Post Conference activities*)

# WELCOME RECEPTION SPONSOR

EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY - 1 ONLY

**\$4,000**

## SPONSOR RECOGNITION

- Welcome Reception sponsor acknowledgement at opening and closing of the conference
- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide
- Two (2) pull up banners displayed at the Welcome Reception (Sponsor to provide)

## SPONSOR PROMOTION

- One (1) A4, Single Sided, PDF inserts in delegate e-satchel (provided via direct email pre event)

## REGISTRATION INCLUSIONS

- One (1) Full Event Registration (*does not include any Pre-Post Conference activities*)
- Two (2) additional Welcome Reception Tickets

# NAMEBADGE & LANYARD SPONSOR

EXCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITY - 1 ONLY

**\$2,500**

## SPONSOR RECOGNITION

- Name badge & Lanyard sponsor acknowledgement at opening and closing of the conference
- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide

## SPONSOR PROMOTION

- Organisation logo printed on the name badge alongside the conference logo
- Organisation logo printed on the lanyard (sponsor to provide)

## LUNCH SPONSOR

**2 OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE**  
(Limited to 1 sponsor per day)

**\$3,000**

### SPONSOR RECOGNITION

- Lunch sponsor acknowledgement at opening and closing of the conference
- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide
- Two (2) pull up banners displayed during the lunch break (Sponsor to provide)

### SPONSOR PROMOTION

- Opportunity to display brochures and flyers at catering stations during the selected break
- Opportunity to provide self-branded napkins (to be provided by the sponsor)

## MORNING OR AFTERNOON TEA SPONSOR

**4 OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE**  
(Limited to 1 sponsor per break)

**\$4,000**

### SPONSOR RECOGNITION

- Morning or Afternoon Tea sponsor acknowledgement at opening and closing of the conference
- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide
- Two (2) pull up banners displayed during the afternoon or morning tea break (Sponsor to provide)

### SPONSOR PROMOTION

- Opportunity to display brochures and flyers at catering stations during the selected break
- Opportunity to provide self-branded napkins (to be provided by the sponsor)



# PRE CONFERENCE WORKSHOP SPONSOR

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES

**\$2,000**

## SPONSOR RECOGNITION

- Workshop sponsor acknowledgement at opening and closing of the conference
- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide
- One (1) pull up banners displayed in workshop room during workshop (Sponsor to provide)

## SPONSOR PROMOTION

- Opportunity to display brochures and flyers at sponsored workshop

## REGISTRATION INCLUSIONS

- One (1) Workshop Registrations (does not include Conference Registration)

# BESPOKE PACKAGES

If you wish to discuss a bespoke sponsorship package, please contact:

Lisa Beckham  
ARMS Conference and Major Events Coordinator  
Email: [ARMSEvents@researchmanagement.org.au](mailto:ARMSEvents@researchmanagement.org.au)

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# TRADE EXHIBITION

The exhibition is set to be the primary networking area for delegates, sponsors and exhibitors. The conference program has been designed to maximise opportunity for delegates to visit the exhibition space. Catering breaks will be located within the exhibition area.

## TRADE TABLE DISPLAY

**\$2,500**

### EXHIBITION INCLUSIONS

- One (1) clothed table
- Two (2) chairs

### EXHIBITOR PROMOTION

- Organisation logo on the event website with hyperlink to company website
- Organisation acknowledgment on conference sponsor slide

### EXHIBITION REGISTRATIONS

- Two (2) Full Event Registrations (does not include any Pre-Post Conference activities)



# TERMS & CONDITIONS

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## GENERAL

- An official Application Form must be received to reserve sponsorship or exhibition space.
- AEN and ARMS reserves the right to refuse application or prohibit any sponsors/exhibitors from participation.
- Should the exhibition allocations need to be altered, AEN & ARMS has the right to make necessary changes.
- The allocated exhibition space must always be staffed during the exhibition. Removal of any exhibition display is only permitted on the last day following the scheduled afternoon tea break.
- Exhibitors are encouraged to be mindful of being more environmentally friendly when organising giveaways and marketing materials. Ways in which sponsors may wish to consider becoming more waste and plastic-free could include: subscription/competition sign-ups via tablet/iPad to reduce paper and, if considering giveaways, sourcing items such as recycled paper pens or eco items.

## INSURANCE & LIABILITY

- All exhibitors must have Public Liability Insurance for the period of the exhibition and must be able to produce this documentation at the request of the venue or ARMS.
- ARMS will take all necessary steps to protect exhibition property on display during the scheduled event. However, the venue, ARMS and the Organising Committee will not accept liability for any loss or damage to property sustained or occasioned from any cause whatsoever. The Exhibitor is responsible for all items within their allocated exhibition space.
- AEN and ARMS will not be liable and makes no guarantee of the number of visitors to the exhibition.
- It is highly recommended that the exhibitor makes their booth attractive for delegates to visit, i.e. special offers, competitions.
- All Sponsorship entitlements must be executed by 30 May 2023, or they will be forfeited by the sponsor.

## PAYMENT & CANCELLATION

- Payment is required upon confirmation of sponsorship/exhibition.
- Sponsors/exhibitors must ensure that all accounts are finalised and paid prior to the Conference. Failure to make payment may result the sponsorship/exhibition space being cancelled.
- In the event of cancellation of a sponsorship/exhibition booking, AEN & ARMS must be notified in writing as soon as possible.
- A refund of fees paid (less a 50% deposit) will be made to parties who wish to cancel no later than 30 days prior to the Conference. After this date, all fees paid will automatically be forfeited and no refund will be made.

# CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP FORM

CONTACT NAME

POSITION

COMPANY/  
ORGANISATION

EMAIL

CONTACT  
NUMBER

POSTAL ADDRESS

SUBURB/CITY

STATE

POSTCODE

## SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE(S)

VALUE

\$

\$

**TOTAL COST  
(SPONSORSHIP FEES INCLUDE GST)**

\$

By returning this signed form, I/We have read and accept the terms and conditions of sponsorship. I/We understand that the sponsorship packages will be strictly allocated in order of receipt of application form and payment.

### CANCELLATION

In the case of the withdrawal of sponsorship, please be advised that unless that particular area of sponsorship is resold the organisers will reserve the right to retain monies received.

SIGNED

DATE

Please Note: All entitlements must be executed by 30 May 2023 or they will be forfeited by the sponsor.

Sponsorship agreement and tax invoice will be sent upon receipt of your application form.  
Please note: All prices are listed in AUD and are GST inclusive.

Please complete this form and return it for invoicing to:

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