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MAKING A DIFFERENCE PEACEABLY



How Time Flies Pandemics & Progress

We commenced the year and decade with optimism and enthusiasm to make a difference. Well we are not certain if we have made a difference but what a different world we have today compared to the commencement of 2020? Disruption was the Bali congress theme and disrupted we all are and mostly for all the wrong reasons.

So as this newsletter hits your desk, some parts of the globe are going into lockdown and others are emerging from lockdown.

The good news is that the MBB Oceania team has not been idle this year, there is much useful progress to report.



the energetic chapter convenors

Oceania

Countries in Oceania



Oceania: The Region.

As a reminder about our region here are some interesting facts.

- Population: 41.5 million
- Independent states 14
- Different languages: 30
- Area: 8.5 mill Sq Km

MBB Oceania is formed

A public company limited by guarantee

Your steering committee has made the progress we promised in April. Mediators Beyond Borders Oceania [referred to as MBB Oceania or MBBO] now exists as a legal entity. It is a public company limited by guarantee and able to operate in Australia and the Oceania region as a not for profit company. The initial Board is comprised of the members of the steering committee and the constitution provides for healthy governance and membership growth.

We have a goal to grow our local membership to become a vibrant entity that can make meaningful impact in the region.

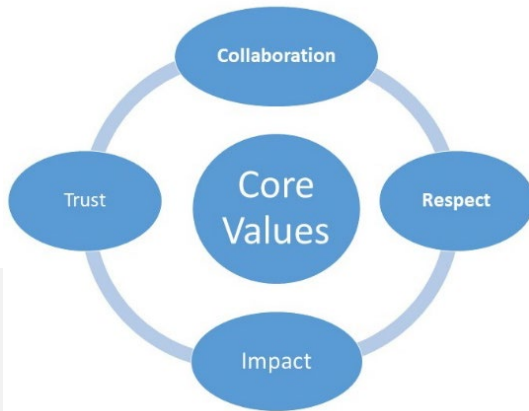
Strategic Plan

The newly formed board and executive committee has initiated a strategic planning programme as a means of ensuring that we have a clear focus on objectives and how we can implement these. One of our active professional members, Simon Howden, has independently facilitated two 4-hour strategic planning workshops over zoom and the executive committee has subsequently drafted an initial plan which has a six-month outlook as we seek to:

- build our membership,
- develop a sustainable funding model,
- marketing & communications plan,
- develop a regional impact program.

For those readers seeking further details please enquire info@mbbo.com.au.

Become A Member Today



Mediators Beyond Borders Oceania is a fresh and dynamic new group comprised of committed volunteers and professional mediators and conflict resolvers.

To be effective it is important that we have the support of experienced and professionals people willing to spend their time and resources bringing our shared vision to reality.

We encourage our regional mediation and conflict resolution community to reach out and become active members of **Mediators Beyond Borders Oceania** and help us to build a dynamic organisation. We can assure you will be welcomed; we can assure you will be requested to participate; and we can assure you will be rewarded with fellowship and tangible impact events.



Who is an MBBO member?

MBB-Oceania invites all global citizens to enjoy membership. MBB-Oceania members will:

- Value truth and fairness.
- Build goodwill, friendships, and quality relationships.
- Seek to deliver beneficial outcomes to their community.
- Participate with honesty & integrity.

MBB-Oceania members will have a strong sense of affiliation with members of the global mediation community, and will feel valued, engaged, and enjoy working with the respective communities and cultures that comprise the Oceania region.

For further information please contact membership@mbbo.com.au

MBB Oceania Board

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[Our Regional webpage](#)

Our Oceania website is coming soon



Opportunities to engage

Engagement opportunities in the early stage are encouraged by participating in any of our working groups or sub-committees

The executive committee has developed the following outline of our working sub committees. With enough membership resources and skills, the project and impact sub committees can reasonably be expanded.

