

AGENDA

19 October 2023

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TIME	LOCATION	SESSION	SPEAKER
8.30am	Front Desk	Arrival and registration	
9.00am	Conference Room	Welcome & Introduction	Dr Mark Pizzacalla BDO Partner & BDO Connect National Leader
9.10am	Conference Room	<p>Session 1 - Practitioner Update “one on one” with the Taxation Ombudsman</p> <p>The Inspector-General of Taxation and Taxation Ombudsman (IGTO) has been supporting the integrity of the taxation system for 20 years.</p> <p>Hear about the latest IGTO reports & investigations and how IGTO can assist you and your clients, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Business Litigation Funding • The ATO’s administration of Objections • Commissioner’s remedial Power and General Powers • Recent dispute investigations 	Keynote: Karen Payne Inspector-General and Taxation Ombudsman
10.05am	Conference Room	<p>Session 2 - Tax in the Rear-View Mirror - “Good Call / Bad Call”</p> <p>Keep updated on important new Australian tax cases & ATO Rulings practitioners must be aware of, and understand how to best deal with these at a practice level.</p>	Dr Mark Pizzacalla BDO Partner & BDO Connect National Leader
10.50am		Morning Tea	
11.20am	Conference Room	<p>Session 3 - Post Covid, what does the modern workplace look like?</p> <p>Tom Elliott will explain the big changes that will impact your business over the next decade.</p>	Tom Elliott Drive Show Host, 3AW
12.20pm	Conference Room	<p>Session 4 - Traversing the grim landscape of financial distress</p> <p>This session will look at current insolvency & restructuring solutions designed to help your clients prevail from financial distress, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navigating post pandemic ATO collection activity • Protecting your clients by avoiding ‘Phoenix’ activity • Use of ‘Safe Harbour’ & Small Business Restructuring • How to map out a contingency plan 	Mat Blum BDO Partner, Business Restructuring

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1.05pm		Lunch	
1.55pm	Conference Room	<p>Session 5 - AI and digital transformation</p> <p>Take your head out of the sand! All businesses of all sizes in all industries are being impacted by AI and changing technologies.</p> <p>This session will be critical for you to understand how to navigate this evolving landscape for your business and your clients.</p>	Tanya Titman Chief Digital and Innovation Partner, BDO
2.40pm	Conference Room	<p>Session 6 - Visas and workforce solutions in a tight labour market</p> <p>Australia has never seen a labour market like this before. Learn how to use Employer Sponsored Visas as Workforce Solutions, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regulatory overview • Visas overview • Employer obligations overview 	Maria Jockel - Global and National Immigration Leader, BDO Rebecca Thomson - Asia-Pacific Regional Coordinator, Migration Services, BDO
3.20pm	Conference Room	<p>Session 7 - Business Risks with SMSFs & Super</p> <p>With constant regulatory change & increased public and ATO scrutiny, how do we protect our practices from risk? Complete with war stories as only Shirley can tell them, this session will look at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • current focus of the regulators in the super space • what you need to be doing with your clients to minimise their risk • how to de-risk your practice 	Shirley Schaefer BDO Partner, Superannuation
4.20pm	Conference Room	Closing Address	Dr Mark Pizzacalla BDO Partner & BDO Connect National Leader
4.30pm		Networking	