Thematic submissions for volume 18 of the AILR are now open

AUSTRALIAN INDIGENOUS LAW REVIEW

Call for Submissions: 'Indigenous Land Tenure Reform'

The Australian Indigenous Law Review is currently welcoming submissions to be considered for inclusion in a thematic edition on 'Indigenous Land Tenure Reform'.

In several countries, groups of indigenous people own areas of land in their capacity as indigenous peoples. The legal arrangements for land ownership vary significantly. In recent decades there has at times been pressure to alter the way in which Indigenous land is owned. In Australia this has led to the introduction of widespread land tenure reform.

It is well known that historical attempts at Indigenous land tenure reform (such as 19th century reforms in the United States and New Zealand) proved to be disastrous for Indigenous land owners. In this edition, we would like to take a fresh look at recent attempts at and calls for land tenure reform on Indigenous land. Have earlier lessons been learnt? Are the same or different mistakes being made? Are the true impacts of reform properly understood?

Submissions might touch on issues such as:

- the impact and likely impact of reforms, including a particular set of reforms;
- the motivation and ideas behind the calls for reform;
- the suitability and usefulness of terminology, concepts and theory;
- how we differentiate between the issues affecting each locality; and
- better ways of identifying the strengths and weaknesses of existing ownership arrangements.

We welcome submissions from a variety of disciplines and in a variety of formats, including scholarly commentary, extended analyses of individual cases and reforms, and book review essays.

The final date for submissions is **Monday 2 June 2014**. We encourage early submissions.

If you would like to contribute,* please provide an abstract or brief summary of your topic to us as soon as possible. All submissions and inquiries can be directed to the Editors at:

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* As a guideline, submitted articles should be between 6,000 and 14,000 words in length (including footnotes). Manuscripts must conform to the requirements set out in our style guide. Please also note that all submissions are subject to peer review, and that publication remains at the discretion of the editorial team. For more information on the review and editorial processes, see our policy on publication.

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