

# LESI International Management & Delegates Meeting (IMDM)

Virtual (via Zoom) 19 May 2021

# **Society Fact Sheet**

Thank you for completing this LES Society Fact Sheet. This information helps us share your annual activities with the LESI Board and the Membership Committee. We have also included additional (optional) data questions as an appendix (while helpful, we appreciate that not all societies might have this data).

#### **SOCIETY INFORMATION**

**SOCIETY NAME: LESANZ** 

#### **CONTACT PERSON**

(This person is responsible for communication with & timely submissions to the LESI Office. You may alternatively update your information directly on the website here and indicate below that it is up to date)

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**President: Mark Pullen** 

Secretary: Michael Cossetto Treasurer: Catherine Boxhall

Society Administrator(s): Beth Benson

Delegates: Mark Pullen – mark.pullen@giffithhack.com

Duncan Ferguson - Duncan.Ferguson@csiro.au

**Sue Muggleston -**

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## Term of Current Society Officers/ Date of Next Change of Officers: April 2022

(please notify LESI with a complete list of officers when the change takes place)

#### Annual Membership Dues: AU\$300 Full Professional | AU\$290 YMC

(please note currency and any categories of membership)

#### **MEMBERSHIP DATA**

Category	Total Number	% Change from last year
Total Number of Members:	231	16% Down
(please note any categories of membership)		

#### Date and Location of Next Annual General Meeting (AGM): 4th May 2021

#### Notable Society Activities / Educational Events during the past year:

(please include the date, purpose and number of attendees)

Since COVID impacted (March 2020) ANZ cancelled at the last minute the Annual Conference in Christchurch, we have hosted 95% webinar-based events. In-person events have struggled to get numbers to go ahead.

Very well attended events included those two below, where we invited international speaker Rob Harrison and local Trustees to present to our members on AI & Data.

Protecting AI and Data – European and AU/NZ perspectives	22/07/2020	75
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The second event is annually hosted in collaboration with another like Association and we share responsibility for hosting. A couple of COVID outbreaks in various jurisdiction's in AU and NZ prevented the in-person option being well attended, where that would ordinarily be sold out in all locations.

IP Licensing 2021 - Takeaways from recent cases seminar	47 ( but 300 in total as jointly hosted this event with IPSANZ)	

#### **Please List Your Professional Committees** (e.g., Education, Life Sciences, Transportation):

Education

Does your society have (or plan to start) a Young Members Congress (YMC)? Would your Society be interested in becoming more involved in WILA? If so, please provide a contact for each.

Yes, we have interest in both initiatives.

YMC Representative: Jesse Gordes – Melbourne University E: <u>jesse.gordes@unimelb.edu.au</u> WILA: Judith Miller – Wrays E: Judith.Miller@wrays.com.au

#### How can LESI or other LES Societies further support you?

Continue to promote and encourage members to attend virtual worldwide events. This is a particularly good outcome of COVID for ANZ members who now can access other education without the usual travel requirements.

For the ANZ membership and recruitment of new members, the ability to access worldwide materials and events/education is more valuable. Particularly as members and companies are preferring training from their desks at this time.

Report completed by :_	_Beth Benson	Date :	2/05/21
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# **Appendix**

# Additional LES Society Membership Data

## If known:

	Total Number	% Change from last year
Lawyers or patent agents in		
private practice:		
law/patent firm:		
production or sales company (goods and materials):		
IP consulting or transaction entity (NOT production/sales):	50%	15% down
Non-lawyers/non-patent/trademark agents in		
law/patent firm:		
production or sales company (goods and materials):		
IP consulting or transaction entity (NOT production/sales):	45%	10% up
Other members (please define):	5%	
Women Members: ESTIMATION as have only started capturing this statistic recently	45%	increase
Young Members (< 40 years of age):	27	Up by 5