INFORMATION BROCHURE FOR WORKSHOP REGISTRANTS

Regional Workshops conducted in partnership with the IB Asia Pacific Office.

Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College, North Sydney, Australia

Tuesday 15 April to Thursday 17 April 2014

DP TOK, category 1

DP TOK, category 2

DP History category 1

DP History category 2

DP Geography category 1

DP Geography category 2

DP Economics category 1

DP Economics category 2

DP Maths HL, category 1

DP Maths HL, category 2

DP Maths SL, category 1

DP Maths SL, category 2

DP Maths Studies, category 1

DP Maths Studies, category 2

DP Sports Exercise and Health Science, category 1

DP Sports Exercise and Health Science, category 2

DP Music, category 1 and 2 mixed

DP Psychology: A focus on Internal Assessment, category 3 (new workshop)

DP Maths HL and SL: A focus on Internal Assessment category 3 (new workshop)

DP Using TI-Nspire in IB Mathematics, 2 day workshop, category 3 PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A 2 DAY WORKSHOP (Tuesday – Wednesday)



INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ASIA PACIFIC IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALASIAN IB SCHOOLS (AAIBS)

IB Approved Regional Workshops Tuesday 15 April to Thursday 17 April 2014

Programme Schedule

The structure of each subject workshop features 12 sessions delivered over the course of 3 days. Refer to the cover page for the type of subjects offered at the venue.

Time	Day 1 (15 April))	Day 2 (16 April)	Day 3 (17 April)
	Welcome by IB and		
8.30 – 9.00 am	Introduction	Session 5	Session 9
9.00 - 10.00 am	Session 1		
10.00 - 10.30 am	BREAK BREAK		
10.30 - 12.00 pm	Session 2	Session 6	Session 10
12.00 - 1.00 pm	LUNCH		
1.00 – 2.30 pm	Session 3	Session 7	Session 11
2.30 - 3.00 pm	BREAK	BREAK	
3.00 - 4.30 pm	Session 4	Session 8	Session 12 (finishes 4pm)

Prerequisites

Refer to the workshop descriptions at www.ibo.org/ibap/workshops to ascertain the level of IB teaching experience(s) in that specific subject needed to attend a workshop. Representatives from schools that have registered interest to implement IB programmes and independent teachers who are not currently teaching in IB schools may register for introductory and/or Category 1 workshop only.

Agenda

Workshop participants will be provided with an agenda by the Workshop Leaders once the workshops have been confirmed.

Certificate of Attendance

An official "IB Certificate of Attendance" is only awarded to **registered** participants who have attended **ALL** sessions of a subject workshop. Please ensure that your travel arrangements do not preclude your candidacy for a certificate.

Workshop Fee includes:-

Refreshment breaks and lunches for 3 days

- Catering will be no pork no lard only
- Vegetarian food will be available

Workshop materials

Standard Registration Fees: **A\$ 845 including GST**. Early Bird Registration Fee up to and including Friday 14th February **A\$ 780 including GST**. The two day workshop registration is at a reduced rate of **A\$ 565 including GST**. Early Bird Registration for the two day workshop is **A\$ 520 Including GST**. AAIBS member schools will receive a rebate of A \$100 for one participant at this AAIBS sponsored workshop series. Schools will be invited to claim rebates in October 2014.



^{**} Fee excludes cost of travel and hotel accommodation.

Cancellation

Cancellation of registration must be made in writing to the conference Secretariat aaibs2014@arinex.com.au

Fees paid will be refunded as follows:

- Cancellation on or before Tuesday 18 March 2014 full payment less administration fee of A \$110.
- Cancellation after that date no refund

Participant replacement – deadline Wednesday 9 April 2014 which incurs an administration fee of A \$110.

VENUE DETAILS



Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College 128 Miller St, North Sydney NSW 2060

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Website: www.monte.nsw.edu.au

Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College is the oldest independent girls school on Sydney's North Shore. Founded by Mother Ignatius McQuoin in 1875 the school, owned by the Sisters of Mercy, North Sydney, and governed by the College Board, provides a Catholic education for girls. Situated on Miller Street in the heart of North Sydney, the school is close to transport, parks, libraries and the world famous Sydney Harbour. The school is just a short walk from a major train station, North Sydney, as well as numerous bus stops. Close by is the picturesque St Leonard's Park, with views of Sydney Harbour.



The College campus has been described as an oasis in the business district of North Sydney. Heritage buildings and landscaped grounds provide an attractive educational environment. The college's hospitality and function facilities are of the highest standard.

Important Information:

Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College does not supply single use water bottles – as part of the college environmental practices. Water re-filling stations are available; participants are encouraged to provide their own refillable water bottle.

Please note that Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College is a wireless environment and participants will need to bring their laptops with them. Participants should ensure that they have the administration rights to be able to change IP and Network settings to be able to connect with the School Wi Fi arrangements.

Workshop Secretariat

AAIBS has engaged a professional conference manager to manage the conduct of the workshop. The workshop secretariat details are:

AAIBS Workshop Managers arinex

Level 10, 51 Druitt Street Sydney NSW 2000 Tel: +61 (2) 9265 0700 Fax: +61 (2) 9267 5443

Website: www.arinex.com.au



Registration

Registration will be through the arinex website. Registrants should paste the following link into their chosen browser to access the on line registration process.

https://ei.eventinfotech.com.au/ei/rs.esp?id=1219&scriptid=HOME

Links to this registration website are also provided on the AAIBS website (www.aaibs.org) and the IB website (http://www.ibo.org/events/workshops.cfm).

Entry Visa

Detailed information about Visa requirements can be found on the Australian Government Immigration website http://www.immi.gov.au/e_visa/visitors.htm

An invitation letter can be requested from the Conference Secretariat by email to aaibs2014@arinex.com.au

Transport

North Sydney is a 35–45 minute drive from Sydney airport; a taxi should cost approximately \$55 - \$65.

Airport City Bus service

A regular airport to city bus service operates from approximately 0600 to 2100 hours (not recommended for those with large amounts of luggage). Any queries please see the Travellers' Information Desk at the Airport.

Taxis

Taxis in Sydney operate under 2 pricing structures. From 0600 - 2200 hours the standard fare applies. On the left hand side of the taxi meter, above the word 'rate' you should see the number $\underline{1}$. From 2200 - 0600 hours, a 20% night tariff applies, at these times the meter should be set on rate 2. Please check the meter is set correctly when you begin your journey.

Trains

There is a train station located at both the Domestic and International Terminals at Sydney Airport. Trains run on average every 10 minutes during the day on a weekday and every 15 minutes on weekends. From the Domestic Terminal, it takes 30 minutes to reach North Sydney Station. From the International Terminal it takes a few minutes longer. Lifts are available at both the International and Domestic Terminals for the easy transfer of luggage. The college is a short walk north along Miller St.

Fares from the Domestic Terminal to North Sydney start at \$16.70 per adult for a single journey. For further information on the service that the Airport Link provides and instructions on travelling to north Sydney, please see the following website: http://www.airportlink.com.au/directions/north-sydney.php

Parking is available at Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College.



Airport Departure Tax

This should be included in the ticket price.

Transportation From Hotel to School & Vice Versa

There will be **NO transport** provided as the school is within 15 mins walking distance from the recommended hotels.

Accommodation

Workshop participants are responsible for booking their own accommodation.

To facilitate this, rooms have been reserved for AAIBS workshop registrants at special conference rates at the following properties. Accommodation bookings for the following rates can **only** be booked through **arinex**, **the conference managers at the registration link** https://ei.eventinfotech.com.au/ei/rs.esp?id=1219&scriptid=HOME

To secure your booking you are required to provide credit card details or full prepayment of accommodation which will be given to the hotel of your choice.

Availability of accommodation cannot be guaranteed after **Thursday 13 March 2014** unless sold out prior to this date.

Rates quoted are per room per night using existing bedding, include GST and do not include breakfast (unless otherwise stated).

Rydges North Sydney -★★★★

54 McLaren Street, North Sydney – approximately a 2 minute walk to the conference venue

Rydges North Sydney is perfectly situated for business or leisure, within close walking distance to North Sydney's bustling business district and only a short journey over the iconic Harbour Bridge to Sydney's CBD.

Rydges North Sydney has completed a \$2 Million refurbishment of all Queen/Twin rooms. The upgrade includes new carpet & curtains, new wardrobe, TV cabinet and mini-bar, new bed-head and soft furnishings & a freshly painted room. Existing features to stay in the room include flat screen televisions, Rydges 'Dream Beds' with luxury Egyptian cotton sheeting, throws and cushions & a glass desk with Italian leather ergonomic chair.

Room Type Bedding Conference Rate

Deluxe Parkview Queen 1 Queen \$220

Cancellations received after Friday 28th March 2014 will be fully non-refundable.



McLaren Hotel North Sydney - ***

25 McLaren Street, North Sydney – approximately a 3 minute walk to the conference venue

The McLaren Hotel is the ideal centrally located North Sydney Hotel, close to Sydney harbour, northern beaches, boutique shops & a park. McLaren is the perfect choice of luxury hotels Sydney. The McLaren North Sydney Hotel has a range of guest facilities including undercover parking, to make your stay easy and enjoyable.

Room Type	Bedding	Conference Rate
Standard Queen	1 Queen	\$153
Deluxe King Room	1 King	\$157

^{*} Twin Rooms available on request.

Cancellations or amendments received after Monday 7th April 2014 will incur a cancellation fee of one night's accommodation.

Early and Late Check-in

Check-in is from 2pm at both Hotels. Whilst the hotels will do everything possible to accommodate early arrivals, if you wish to be guaranteed immediate access to your room, you will need to pay an extra day's tariff for the night before.

Please indicate if you will be arriving at your hotel after 6.00pm. Failure to do so may mean your room will be released.

Change or cancellation of Booking

Due to the nature of group bookings any booking changes or cancellations must be made in writing to arinex, the conference managers, at aaibs2014@arinex.com.au and NOT directly to the hotel.

Alternative accommodation booking

Alternatively, you can also book at the following nearby hotels via online booking engine (www.wotif.com) at the best available rate:

Vibe Hotel, Milsons Point North Shore Hotel, North Sydney

General Information

For more information, visit the following websites:-

- What's On In Sydney www.whats-on-in-sydney.com.au
- Sydney Convention & Visitors Bureau www.scvb.com.au
- Destination New South Wales www.visitnsw.com



Weather

Autumn is a great time to be in Sydney, with mild weather and temperature range from an average of 14 to 22 degrees Celsius.

Credit Cards/Banks

Diners Club, MasterCard and Visa are the most commonly accepted credit cards.

American Express is less common. Banks and ATMs (automated teller machines) are numerous in Sydney.

Tipping

Tipping is not widespread in Australia, but if you receive great service in a restaurant the recommended tip is 10 per cent of the bill.

Electricity

The electric current is 220-240V 50Hz. Travellers with electric shavers, hair dryers and other appliances should carry a plug adapter kit.

Shopping in North Sydney

Greenwood Plaza, North Sydney. <u>www.greenwoodplaza.com.au</u> A short walk from the College, located on Miller St (south).

Local Food

Crows Nest – the area around Willoughby Road and the Pacific Highway has a wide range of cafés and restaurants. Many of the establishments on Willoughby Road offer outdoor tables.

Neutral Bay – Military Road features many restaurants, including a good range of modern Australian eateries. The Oaks Hotel at Neutral Bay is a Sydney icon.

McMahons Point – Blues Point Rd (which joins Miller St – south) offers a wide choice of restaurant cuisines.

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