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Brydget has a unique blend of skills and experience in Australia and overseas, encompassing science, law, government and community service which brings a depth of understanding to her current practice as a Mediator, Adjudicator and Arbitrator with Tribunals, Panels, Boards, commercial and consultancy work.

**Mediation & Arbitration Chambers** – Sydney / Melbourne commercial ADR practice – Brydget joined in 2007, specialising in dispute resolution through Med-Arb processes and use of e-conferencing.

**Medius** – Queensland-based mediation / consulting and targeted ADR / training practice, established 2001– undertakes full range ADR with determinative practice with Tribunals and Boards.

Brydget's appointment in 2010 as IFC International Expert in ADR, attest to the breadth and depth of her knowledge and practice in all forms of ADR (Appropriate Dispute Resolution). She is responsible for the PNG National and Supreme Courts ADR program management with development of processes, staff management / mentoring and training of judicial, senior court, ADR Committee, practitioners and the Legal Training Institute for law graduates.

**Science** - Medical and public health research experience; environmental and heritage management and assessment; agriculture and fisheries, provide Brydget with a wide understanding of scientific issues. Brydget developed an international reputation speaking and publishing internationally and obtained international project financing.

**Law** - Brydget worked for 10 years as a government Policy and Legal Officer before full-time ADR practice in 2001.

MedArb - Brydget arbitrated 600+ NSW Worker's Compensation Commission (WCC) matters using MedArb processes and conducted 9 hearings for NSW Mining Minister's Panel.

Mediation – Brydget has mediated over 1250 matters as a Australian National Standards, Qld Courts, PNG National Court and major ADR organisations, Accredited Mediator. Brydget regularly mediates commercial, industrial, workplace and family / family business issues.

Arbitration / Adjudication - The CIArb Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration (2010) provides expertise in International and domestic arbitration. Brydget has undertaken approx 50 arbitrations, and was tasked to review the PNG *Arbitration Act 1951* in her IFC consultancy role. She regularly decides construction-related matters as a BCIPA Adjudicator.

Tribunal / Boards – Brydget sits regularly on 5 Tribunals / Panels in civil, commercial and human rights issues, and served for 5 years on both medical ethics and human rights Boards.

## Appointments and Affiliations

INTERNATIONAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>International Expert in ADR to Supreme and National Courts of Papua New Guinea</b> International Finance Corporation (IFC) World Bank Group,</li> </ul>
TRIBUNALS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Queensland Mental Health Review Tribunal</b> 2011 -</li> <li>• <b>Queensland Commercial and Administrative Tribunal</b>, 2009 –</li> <li>• <b>Queensland Regional Conduct Review Tribunal</b> 2010 -</li> <li>• <b>Guardianship + Administration Tribunal, Qld</b> 2006 – 2009</li> <li>• <b>NT Lands, Planning + Mining Tribunal</b> , 2000 –</li> </ul>
ARBITRATOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NSW Minister of Mines Arbitration Panel</b> – 9 matters 2008, renewed 2011</li> <li>• <b>NSW Worker’s Comp. Commission</b> (2002-2005), 600+ matters</li> </ul>
ADJUDICATOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Qld Building Industry Construction Payments Act</b> - 20 decisions</li> </ul>
MEDIATOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>PNG Accredited Mediator</b> 1 of 3 inaugural mediators National Court PNG</li> <li>• <b>Industry + Government Panels</b> – Franchising, Horticulture, Grocery, Grains</li> <li>• <b>Courts</b> – Qld. Supreme + District Courts</li> <li>• <b>Family Law</b> - Qld. Legal Aid, Resolve NT and private practice</li> <li>• <b>NT Land and Mining Tribunal</b> 2001 -</li> </ul>
BOARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Qld Electrical Safety Board Licensing Committee</b> – 2008 -</li> <li>• <b>NQ Regional Electricity Council</b> – 2008 - 09</li> <li>• <b>NT Human Research Ethics Committee</b> 1997–2003 Legal Member</li> <li>• <b>NT Red Cross Humanitarian Law</b> 1995 - 2001</li> </ul>
AFFILIATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>IAMA</b> - Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia, <b>LEADR</b> Leaders in Alternative Dispute Resolution, <b>AW</b> Arbitral Women, <b>CIA</b> - Chartered Institute Arbitrators, <b>DRB</b> - Dispute Resolution Boards Assoc.,</li> <li>• <b>COAT</b> Council of Administrative Tribunals, <b>QLS</b> - Queensland Law Society</li> </ul>
PREVIOUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>NT Member</b>, Commonwealth Standing Committee Agricultural Law</li> <li>• <b>Member</b>, Upper Ross Community Centre Board</li> <li>• <b>Regional Adviser</b>, Commonwealth Public Service Commissioner</li> </ul>

## Recent Assignments

- International Expert in ADR to National and Supreme Courts of Papua New Guinea
- Lecturing in ADR to PNG Legal Training Institute
- Negotiating 9 mining exploration Agreements and Review
- Highest value BCIPA Adjudication 2008 with \$47M at issue
- Management franchising disputes to successful resolution
- Directed fisheries negotiations - commercial /recreational, environmental + Aboriginal Community
- Managing industry negotiations with Aboriginal and female agricultural workers
- Resolving long-standing workplace disputes: aged care, health, + Commonwealth Department
- Organisational development maintaining accreditation with policy documentation / training
- Presentations: MedArb - to first QCAT Member training; ADR in rural industry dispute resolution, Legalwise Cairns; High value construction adjudications - Qld Law Society
- Consultation Mediation Centre development, Lebanon

**Person Details:** *Citizenship* = Australian, *Born* = Bristol, England, *Marital status* = married

<b>Qualifications</b>	<b>Accreditations</b>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Science</b>, University London</li> <li>• <b>Bachelor of Laws</b>, Charles Darwin University, NT – Prize in Evidence</li> <li>• <b>Graduate Certificate Legal Practice</b>, University South Australia</li> <li>• <b>Mediation</b> – Certificates - ACDC, IAMA, LEADR, Relationships Australia (Family)</li> <li>• <b>Professional Cert. Arbitration</b>, Adelaide Uni, Chartered Inst., Bond Uni (Family)</li> <li>• <b>Professional Certificate in Adjudication</b>, IAMA and Qld Law Society</li> <li>• <b>Diploma International Commercial Arbitration</b> – CIArb / ACICA</li> <li>• <b><u>Certifications:</u></b> <b>Quality Assurance and Auditing Training and Assessment</b> <b>Workplace Disputes</b> – Conciliation, Arbitration / Adjudicator, IAMA</li> </ul>	<p><b>MEDIATOR:</b> Australian Standards Accredited Mediator Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner Qld Supreme / District Court Accredited PNG Accredited Mediator No.2 IAMA Trainer in Mediation</p> <p><b>ADJUDICATOR:</b> Registered Adjudicator J1087549</p> <p><b>ARBITRATOR:</b> Accredited and Graded Arbitrator – Qld Law Soc., IAMA</p> <p><b><u>ADR EXPERIENCE</u></b> <b>MEDIATION</b> – over 1,000 matters <b>ARBITRATION</b> – approx 50 matters <b>ADJUDICATION</b> – approx 20 matters</p> <p><b><u>OVERSEAS EXPERIENCE</u></b> <b>PNG</b> IFC Expert in ADR 2010 - 2011 <b>VANUATU</b> - Consultancy environmental <b>JAPAN</b> – Consultancy environmental <b>EUROPE/ASIA</b> – investigations</p>
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## Previous PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

**DIRECTOR LEGISLATION, LEGAL & POLICY** - NT Dept Primary Industry and Fisheries – **Developed** 5 Acts + Regulations through policy development/public consultation to implementation; **Advised** day-to-day legal issues; contracts, litigation and administrative review **Managed** Community Consultation; **Reviewed** legislation and managed reporting to Commonwealth government; **Managed** AAT Appeal and prosecutions; **Developed** Intellectual Property; **Advised** on Biotech and PBR development; Joint Ventures and contract management. **Developed / presented** Policy Development Workshops, Cert IV - Public Service Commissioner

**ASSESSMENT/ RESEARCH OFFICER** - Environment Protection / Heritage NT – environmental assessment of development proposals including mining and land development. Management Commonwealth / Territory grants program; Review 10 years of Heritage Management Program.

**CAREER DEVELOPMENT, HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, TRAINING** – Medius – personal development and documentation; career & development training.

**SUPERVISING SCIENTIST** -Dept. Environment & Conservation, PNG – Principle scientist of internationally funded conservation, management and public education program for endangered species – the dugong. Development / consultation 50 minute ABC documentary Program funding management 5 national programs.

**HEAD, EDUCATION SECTION** – Wildlife, Department of Lands, PNG - developed and implemented section function; developed schools radio series and national + Pacific-wide young people's magazine.

**PUBLIC HEALTH RESEARCHER** – Institute Medical Research, PNG- community-based medical research / public health program in traditional remote community.