



Letter from the President  
Natalia Quiñones

## IFA 2026 Melbourne Congress: Welcoming the Global Tax Community to Australia

Dear IFA Members and Branch Officers,

It is my great pleasure to invite you and your members to the **78th IFA Congress**, which will take place in **Melbourne, Australia, from 18 to 22 October 2026**.

The Congress will once again bring together government officials, judges, academics and business leaders from more than 60 countries, reaffirming IFA's role as the leading global forum for international tax dialogue and professional exchange.

As preparations for the Congress continue, we would like to remind you that regular registration closes on **September 15, 2026, at 24:00 (midnight) CEST (Central European Summer Time)**. Members planning to attend may wish to register before this date.

### Scientific Programme

At the heart of every IFA Congress is its Scientific Programme, developed by IFA's Permanent Scientific Committee. In addition to the two Main Subjects, the programme includes **ten seminars and three luncheon dialogues**, offering a broad range of perspectives on some of the most significant developments in international taxation.

### The 2026 Main Subjects are:

**Main Subject 1.** *Taxation of Royalties for the Use of, and Gains from the Sale of, Intellectual Property/Intangibles*

**Main Subject 2.** *Tax and Energy Transition*

The full programme, including speaker information and session overviews, is available on the Congress website. These short outlines introduce each session and will help members quickly identify the topics most relevant to their interests and practice.

The website also features a full speaker line-up, enabling participants to learn more about the distinguished experts contributing to the programme, identify sessions of particular interest, and make the most of the networking opportunities available throughout the Congress.



## Professional Exchange

Beyond the scientific sessions, the Congress offers valuable opportunities to strengthen professional relationships and engage with colleagues from across the global IFA community.

Participants will have access to the Congress app, including networking features, as well as a programme of social events, including:

- Evening at the Melbourne Museum
- Exclusive concert at the Melbourne Recital Centre
- YIN Party at Ms Collins
- Tennis and Golf Days

The Congress dinner will take the form of an exclusive dinner and is open to both participants and accompanying persons, offering an additional exceptional opportunity for networking in a unique setting. Separate registration is required, and places are limited – we kindly invite you not to miss this opportunity and secure your seat in advance.

## General Assembly and Branch Officers Meeting

As is customary, the Congress will also host the **IFA General Assembly** and the **Branch Officers Meeting**.

Details and agendas for the General Assembly and Branch Officers Meeting will be distributed separately in due course.

These meetings provide an important opportunity to discuss the current activities and future direction of our Association, while strengthening the collaboration that remains central to IFA's mission. We would be grateful to receive the names of the officers who will be attending on behalf of your branch.

We look forward to welcoming you to Melbourne and to gathering once again with the global IFA community.

**Further information is available here:** [www.ifa2026melbourne.com](http://www.ifa2026melbourne.com)

*With kind regards,*

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