



ACCC staff Gifts, Hospitality and Benefits register

In the course of their duties ACCC staff have accepted the following gifts, hospitality, and benefits from 1 January to 30 June 2023.¹

Date	Organisation	Description	Estimated Total Value
10 Nov 2022	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) – Australian Embassy to Thailand	As part of the Competition Law Implementation Program (CLIP) funded by DFAT, two staff members attended a dinner with Thai Competition Authority representatives and DFAT staff at the embassy while in Thailand. The travel to Thailand was for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation’s Competition Policy and Law Group workshops and CLIP training work.	\$100 each
30 Nov 2022	Australian Government Solicitor	A staff member received a ticket to the Administrative Law Conference as an ACCC participant.	\$595
06 Dec 2022	Law Council Competition and Consumer Committee (LCCCC)	A staff member attended an end of year event for the LCCCC at which light catering and drinks were provided.	\$50
07 Dec 2022	ICPEN member of the Consumer Rights Protection Centre, Latvia	A staff member received a number of Latvian souvenirs for attending the 2022 ICPEN Best Practices Workshop which were dealt with according to the agency’s policy on gifts.	\$50

¹ This register includes items from 1 July to 31 December 2022 not previously included in the register.

09 Feb 2023	AGCM – the Italian Competition Authority	A staff member was presented with a commemorative tie to celebrate the AGCM's 30 th anniversary.	\$50
14 Feb 2023	Gilbert and Tobin	A staff member was provided with lunch as part of attending a panel discussion on competitive markets in which the ACCC Chair was participating.	\$50
18 Feb 2023	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)	A staff member participated as an expert on a panel for APEC's Effective Regulatory Advocacy Workshop and was partially reimbursed for their airfares and accommodation.	\$4070
20 Feb 2023	The International Consumer Product Health and Safety Organisation	A staff member who was a speaker at a consumer product conference was provided with a ticket to the conference as well as catering.	\$2700
09 Mar 2023	Relativity	A staff member presented a seminar on e-discovery at an event hosted by the New Zealand Financial Markets Authority, which included light catering.	\$50
09 Mar 2023	Clare Excell, Barrister	A staff member was provided with a ticket to the Dame Roma Mitchell Memorial Lunch.	\$120
20 Mar 2023	Ashurst Law Firm, Competition Team	A staff member received a bottle of wine as a thank you for assisting in the Ashurst Year Ahead webinar "Hear it from the Regulator" at which the ACCC Chair delivered the keynote speech. The gift was dealt with according to the agency's policy on gifts.	\$20
28 Mar 2023	Australian Financial Review	A staff member attended the AFR Banking Summit 2023 at which the ACCC Chair delivered the keynote speech.	\$1500
28 Mar 2023	RBB Economics	Several staff members attended the RBB Economics conference as participants of the ACCC on the topics of policies, progress and future competition law enforcement, which included light refreshments.	\$100 each

05 Apr 2023	Vietnam Competition and Consumer Commission	Several staff members received dinner while presenting a seminar on Vietnam's reforms to its consumer law.	\$43 each
18 Apr 2023	Airservices Australia	Several staff members received a small luncheon after accompanying Commissioner Brakey as she toured Airservices Australia's facilities at Melbourne Airport.	\$50 each
03 May 2023	Law Council of Australia, Business Law Section	A staff member attended a speakers' dinner following the Bannerman Lecture which was jointly hosted by the ACCC and the Law Council.	\$100
04 May 2023	Aviation Law Association of Australia and New Zealand	Two staff members received tickets to attend the Aviation Law Association of Australia and New Zealand's 2-day conference at which one of the staff members was a speaker.	\$3,180
09 May 2023	Cambodian Competition Commission	A staff member was provided with several lunches and beverages at the offices of the Cambodian Competition Commission while working in Cambodia as part of the ACCC's Competition Law Implementation Program.	\$100
09 May 2023	Independent Consumer and Competition Commission of Papua New Guinea	A staff member received a cultural gift of a small woven bag as a token of appreciation for assistance in developing a session for ICPEN. The gift is displayed in the Sydney office of the ACCC.	\$30
10 May 2023	Officers of Thailand Office of Consumer Protection Board	A staff member received several small items of clothing and a lady's scarf for attending ICPEN events. These gifts were handled in accordance with agency policy.	\$100
11 May 2023	Chief Executive, Competition and Consumer Commission of Singapore	A staff member received a small ceramic decorative plate as a thank you for attending a meeting to discuss digital platforms. The plate was dealt with according to the agency's policy on gifts.	\$50
11 May 2023	Delegation of Indonesia Peoples Republic	A staff member was provided with commemorative plaques for meeting with the delegation to discuss improving Indonesia's regulations on consumer protection. The plaques are displayed in ACCC offices.	\$50

11 May 2023	Independent Consumer and Competition Commission of Papua New Guinea	A staff member received a hand-woven reed basket as a token of appreciation for the agency's work in organising an Asia-Pacific Regional Networking Event. The gift was dealt with according to the agency's policy on gifts.	\$50
12 May 2023	International Consumer Protection and Enforcement Network (ICPEN) Delegates	Several staff members received gifts from various ICPEN delegates as a gesture of appreciation for the agency's work.	\$25 each
30 May 2023	Australian Institute of Petroleum and Argus Media	A staff member attended a roundtable discussion forum regarding biofuels at which light refreshments were provided.	\$50
07 June 2023	Forefront Events	Three staff members received tickets to attend the Digi Gov Summit ACT as participants of the ACCC, at which the ACCC Chief Information Officer was a panel member. Light catering was included.	\$2990
07 Jun 2023	DXC Technology	Two staff members attended a luncheon hosted by the Committee for Economic Development Australia at which, the Assistant Treasurer, Stephen Jones MP, spoke about the Consumer Data Right	\$100
09 Jun 2023	Norton Rose Fulbright	Several staff members attended a seminar on legal professional privilege which included light catering and refreshments	\$53 each
13 Jun 2023	Cambodian Competition Commission	A staff member who had been working on the ACCC's Competition Law Implementation Program in Cambodia received cashews and key chains as a farewell gift.	\$20
21 Jun 2023	Filipino Australian Lawyers Association Inc	A staff member attended an event to meet the Supreme Court Justices of the Philippines at which light catering was provided.	\$50

21 Jun 2023	International Business Review Conferences	Two staff members received tickets to attend the 6 th Annual Digi Gov 2023 event in Canberra at which another staff member was a speaker.	\$5390
22 Jun 2023	Asialink	A staff member attended a luncheon as an alumna of the AsiaLink Leaders Program.	\$50
1 Jan – 30 Jun 2023	Qantas Airways Ltd	The ACCC's CEO was provided with access to the Qantas Chairman's lounge.	Unknown
1 Jan – 30 Jun 2023	Qantas Airways Ltd and Virgin Australia	ACCC staff members were provided complimentary lounge memberships and/or lounge access because of frequency of ACCC work-related travel.	N/A