



ACCC Staff Gifts and Hospitality Register

In the course of their duties, ACCC staff have accepted the following gifts, hospitality and benefits from **1 July – 31 December 2023**.

Date	Organisation	Description	Estimated Total Value
21 July 2023	International Bar Association (IBA)	An ACCC staff member spoke at the 17th Annual IBA Competition Mid-Year Conference in Singapore and received a partial reimbursement of their travel costs.	\$3,773.58
25 - 26 July 2023	FST Media & Tesserent	An ACCC staff member was a panel speaker at, and received complimentary entry into, the 8th Annual FST Government Victoria Summit 2023 hosted by FST Media. As part of the event, refreshments and lunch were provided. The ACCC staff member attended a speakers' dinner hosted by Tesserent, a sponsor of the event.	\$300
25 July 2023	Australian Computer Society (ACS)	An ACCC staff member attended an event hosted by the ACS Foundation. As part of the event, refreshments were provided. The staff member declined a gift of a commemorative pen which was provided to all invitees.	\$50
26 July 2023	Gilbert and Tobin	An ACCC staff member attended an alumni function hosted by Gilbert and Tobin in Sydney. The staff member was invited because they were a previous employee of the firm. As part of the event, canapes and drinks were provided.	\$50
26 July 2023	Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC)	Four ACCC staff members attended ASIC's Communications and Corporate Affairs Conference in Sydney hosted by ASIC to speak on the ACCC's Strategic Communication operations. As part of the event refreshments and an informal dinner were provided.	\$100
27 July 2023	Bendelta	An ACCC staff member attended a Heads of HR Networking Event hosted by Bendelta where breakfast was provided.	\$50
27 July 2023	Banco Chambers	Two ACCC staff members attended the annual Banco Chambers networking event. As part of the event, canapes and drinks were provided.	\$100
28 July 2023	Transport for NSW	An ACCC staff member attended the Land Transport Market Reform Steering Committee Workshop at the offices of Transport for NSW and received a catered lunch.	\$30

31 July 2023 – 26 August 2023	Cambodian Consumer Protection Competition and Fraud Repression Directorate-General (CCF)	An ACCC staff member was provided with several lunches and beverages while working at the offices of the Cambodian CCF as part of the ACCC's Consumer Affairs Program. They also received several meals at local restaurants and a traditional Cambodian Krama Scarf, silk handbag and wallet upon departure. These gifts were retained by the staff member.	\$250 (hospitality) \$80 (gifts)
8 August 2023	Queensland University of Technology	An ACCC staff member spoke at an event hosted by Queensland University of Technology and was given a box of chocolates and replica piece of art. The chocolates were provided to the ACCC Social Club, and the art was displayed in an ACCC Office.	\$30
10 – 11 August 2023	Hong Kong Competition Commission Hong Kong University (HKU)	Two ACCC staff members attended the Competition Enforcers and Academics Summit hosted by the Hong Kong Competition Commission and the HKU Business School. The staff members attended to speak on the regulation of digital platforms. As part of the event, lunch, dinner and refreshments were provided at the venue. A short tour of the M+ Museum and the West Kowloon Cultural District took place at the conclusion of the formal conference sessions. Both participants were also gifted a small medallion and had part of their flights, accommodation and transfers reimbursed by the Hong Kong Competition Commission. The gifts are on display in an ACCC office.	\$5,484 (flights, accommodation and transfers) \$200 (hospitality) \$40 (gifts)
17 August 2023	People Measures	Three ACCC staff members attended an event hosted by People Measures at which breakfast was provided. One of the staff members attended as a speaker and the remaining staff members received complementary tickets to the event.	\$120
21 August 2023	Malaysian Government	The ACCC's CEO and four other ACCC staff members attended a meeting with representatives from the Malaysian Competition Commission, Ministry of Domestic Trade and Cost of Living, and Attorney General Chambers, to discuss the ACCC's merger regime and operational processes. The delegation gifted some of the attendees, and two ACCC receptionists, notebooks and rolls of dyed and patterned material. The gifts were retained by the ACCC staff members.	\$210
25 August 2023	Informed Sources	After announcing their retirement, an ACCC staff member received an A4 framed chart from Informed Sources showing average retail petrol prices from January 2000 to August 2023. The gift was retained by the staff member.	\$25
25 August 2023	e61 Institute	Four ACCC staff members, including the ACCC's CEO, at the invitation of the e61 Institute, attended the launch of a report on <i>The State of Competition in Australia</i> at the National Press Club. As part of the event, refreshments were provided.	\$80
29 - 30 August 2023	The Hatchery	Two ACCC staff members attended the Public Sector Women of Colour Leadership & Allyship Summit hosted by The Hatchery. One staff member attended as a speaker and the other staff member was provided with a complimentary ticket. Catering was provided as part of the summit.	\$4,000

18 September – 29 September 2023	Cambodian CCF	Two ACCC staff members were provided with several lunches and beverages while working at the offices of the Cambodian CCF, as part of the ACCC's Consumer Affairs Program. The staff members were also provided with several meals at local restaurants. The staff members were each gifted a traditional Cambodian Krama Scarf upon departure. These gifts were retained by the staff members.	\$200 (hospitality) \$60 (gifts)
21 September 2023	Australian Government Solicitor	An ACCC staff member attended a book launch for <i>The Law of Civil Penalties</i> hosted by the Australian Government Solicitor. As part of the event, refreshments were provided.	\$35
4 – 6 October 2023	International Consumer Protection and Enforcement Network (ICPEN) & Office of Competition and Consumer Protection (UOKiK)	Two ACCC staff members attended the ICPEN Conference in Warsaw, Poland. As part of the event they were each gifted with a Polish ceramic cup from UOKiK. These items will be on display in the ACCC office.	\$8 (gift)
11 October 2023	ANZ Bank	Two ACCC staff members met with ANZ's Customer Protection Team to present on the topic of progress on anti-scam initiatives, as relevant to the ACCC National Anti-Scam Centre. As part of the meeting, refreshments were provided at the venue.	\$30
16 October 2023	Blockchain Australia	An ACCC staff member was provided with four books titled 'Tracers in the Dark' authored by Andy Greenberg at the National Anti-Scam Centre Advisory Board meeting in the ACCC's Melbourne office. The gifts were included in the ACCC library for staff use.	\$191.75
16 - 20 October 2023	International Competition Network (ICN)– <i>Spanish National Markets and Competition Commission (CNMC) hosted the 2023 ICN Conference</i> International Bar Association/International Chamber of Commerce Competition Policy International	Three ACCC staff members attended the <i>22nd ICN Annual Conference</i> at Llotja de Mar Barcelona, Spain. As part of the conference, daily refreshments were provided. ACCC staff participated in the ICN Welcome Reception at ICN headquarters and the CPI Competition Law and Economics Roundtables, where refreshments were provided. The staff members, along with other convention participants, were provided with a tour of the Catedral del Mar.	\$1050 (hospitality) \$72 (Cathedral Tour)
18-19 October 2023	Global Anti-Scam Alliance	An ACCC staff member attended and presented at the 4th Global Anti-Scam Summit hosted by the Global Anti-Scam Alliance in Lisbon, Portugal. As part of the event, the staff member received a breakfast, dinner and refreshments.	\$105
24 October 2023	Vietnam Competition Commission	An ACCC staff member attended an informal lunch and dinner with members of the Vietnamese Competition Commission, following a workshop with the ACCC. The staff	\$15 (hospitality) \$5 (gift)

		member was gifted 3 individual packets of Vietnamese coffee which were distributed to ACCC staff members.	
26 October 2023	Ashurst	An ACCC staff member attended a boardroom lunch hosted by Ashurst to present on the topic of <i>Sustainability</i> . Lunch was provided at the event. The staff member was gifted a bottle of champagne via mail. The gift was provided to the ACCC Social Club.	\$150
26 –27 October 2023	International Consumer Product Health and Safety Organisation (ICPHSO) Inter IKEA Systems B.V (IKEA)	An ACCC staff member attended ICPHSO's International Symposium in Almhut, Sweden hosted by IKEA. As part of the event two meals were provided.	\$100
2 November 2023	University of Melbourne	Two ACCC staff members accompanied the ACCC Chair to day 1 of the 2023 Economic Social Outlook Conference, where the ACCC Chair addressed the conference. The staff members received complimentary tickets. As part of the conference, lunch was provided.	\$2,200
13 – 16 November 2023	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	Two ACCC staff members attended the OECD's Committee on Consumer Policy and Joint meeting Working Party on Consumer Product Safety hosted by the OECD in. As part of the meeting, the staff members attended a networking event where refreshments were provided.	\$50
16 November 2023	Economic Regulatory Authority of Western Australia	An ACCC staff member attended a dinner hosted by the Economic Regulatory Authority of Western Australia as part of the Utility Regulators' Forum.	\$50
22-23 November 2023	Cambodian CCF	Three ACCC staff members attended the ASEAN Committee on Consumer Protection hosted by the Cambodian CCF. As part of the event, two lunches were provided. The staff members were gifted scarves upon departure. These gifts will be on display at ACCC offices.	\$60 (hospitality) \$15 (gifts)
27 November 2023	Corrs Chambers Westgarth	Two ACCC staff members attended a mediation at the Federal Court of Australia in the course of their duties. Corrs Chambers Westgarth as the ACCC's panel firm provided lunch.	\$30
28 November 2023	Airservices Australia	Five ACCC staff members attended site tours of Airservices Australia as part of the ACCC's Price Notification Assessment. As part of the site tours, lunch and refreshments were provided.	\$80
29–30 November 2023	Philippine Competition Commission (PCC) & University of the Philippines (UP)	An ACCC staff member attended an ASEAN Conference in Manila hosted by the PCC. As part of the conference, an airport transfer, two lunches, a dinner and refreshments were provided by the PCC. A separate airport transfer was provided by the UP. The ACCC staff member received a laptop sleeve, charger, notebook and pen gifts for participation in the event from the PCC. These gifts were provided to the ACCC social club.	\$200 (hospitality) \$40 (gift)
1 December 2023	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	An ACCC staff member attended the joint <i>Regulatory Policy Committee– Network of Economic Regulators</i> cocktail reception in Paris hosted by the OECD. Refreshments were provided at the venue, as part of the event.	\$50

5 December 2023	Public Sector Network	Three ACCC staff members attended a Federal Data & AI Showcase hosted by the Public Sector Network in Canberra, with one staff member speaking on a panel. As part of the event, lunch and refreshments were provided.	\$150
4–8 December 2023	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	An ACCC staff member accompanied the ACCC Chair to the <i>OECD Competition Committee, Working Parties 2 and 3 (Best Practices Roundtables)</i> and the <i>OECD Global Forum on Competition</i> , at the OECD's headquarters in Paris. As part of the conference, daily refreshments were provided. The staff member participated in two events hosted by the OECD where lunch and refreshments were provided.	\$370 (hospitality)
	W@CompetitionFR	The staff member also attended an event hosted by W@CompetitionFr within the Musee Nissim de Camondo. As part of the event, refreshments were provided.	\$30(gift)
	Trade Competition Commission of Thailand (TCCT)	The staff member accompanied the ACCC Chair to a meeting with the TCCT and was gifted a TCCT umbrella and small tote bag. The gifts were provided to the ACCC Social Club.	
5 December 2023	Laos Government	Three ACCC staff members met with a delegation from the Laos Ministry of Technology and Communications, who were in Australia for a study tour focused on the cyber sector. The ACCC representatives received a thank-you gift of a small ornament containing representations of sites in Vientiane. The gift is on display in an ACCC office.	\$25
11 December 2023	Vietnam Competition Commission	Five ACCC staff members and the ACCC CEO received rice paintings from the Vietnamese Competition Commission's secondees under the AESAN Consumer Affairs Program. These gifts are on display in ACCC offices.	\$120
1 July 2023 – 15 September 2023	Qantas Airways Ltd	The ACCC's CEO was provided with access to the Qantas Chairman's lounge. By communication on 15 September 2023, the CEO relinquished this membership.	Unknown
1 July 2023 – 31 December 2023	Qantas Airways Ltd Virgin Australia Airlines Pty Ltd	Some ACCC staff members were provided with or retained complimentary lounge memberships and/or lounge access because of the frequency of their ACCC work-related travel.	Unknown