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Emerging Legal Markets: Understanding and reaching the latent market for legal services

Part 2: New markets need new offerings

In part two, 'New markets need new offerings', we think about how your new offering might look. Liz Harris will look at the new business structures and pricing that firms need. Tania Sourdin will take us through the apps, technology and tools to help us practice more efficiently, effectively and economically. Finally, Carly Stebbing and Tomoyuki Hachigo will share with us what this journey looks like in real life.

About Professor Tania Sourdin

Professor Tania Sourdin is the Dean of the University of Newcastle Law School and was previously the Foundation Chair and Director of the Australian Centre for Justice Innovation (ACJI) at Monash University in Australia.

In the past two decades, she has conducted qualitative and quantitative research projects into aspects of the dispute resolution and justice system systems in 12 Courts and Tribunals and six external dispute resolution schemes within Australia. Other research has focussed on therapeutic justices, restorative justice, justice innovation, technology, delay and systemic reforms. She has more recently completed work on evaluating justice apps (that builds on her two past Australian Research Council grants on Technology and Artificial Intelligence).

Professor Sourdin is the author of more than 140 books, articles and papers, focused on justice reform issues and has published and presented widely on a range of topics including ADR, justice innovation, justice issues, mediation, conflict resolution, collaborative law, artificial intelligence, technology and organisational change.

She has retained a part-time practice focus and has worked for more than 30 years as a lawyer, 25 years in various senior part-time tribunal positions and as a mediator and since 2014, has been the National Broadband Network Industry Dispute Resolution Advisor within Australia. In 2020 she completed the 6th edition of her book 'Alternative Dispute Resolution' and a book on 'Justice Apps'. In May 2021, her book on 'Judges, Technology and Artificial Intelligence' was published.