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**Western Sydney**  
**IEU Women's Forum**  
**"Women in a Changing World – Work, Family and Society"**

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**Date:** Thursday, 19 October 2017

**Venue:** Catherine McAuley Westmead  
2 Darcy Road  
WESTMEAD NSW 2145

**Time:** 4.45pm-6.30pm

**Cost:** FREE for members  
Refreshments will be served

**RSVP:** Franca Castellano on toll free 1800 467 943  
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Justice Julia Lonergan

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## FORUM AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions: **Tina Ruello, IEU Executive Member** and **Christine Wilkinson, IEU President**.
2. The IEU Women and Equity agenda 2017:
  - setting the context – **Pam Smith, Convenor IEU Women and Equity Committee**
3. Guest Speaker, **NSW Supreme Court Justice Julia Lonergan**  
Julia Lonergan was sworn in as a Supreme Court Justice on 21 March this year. She was a barrister for 20 years before taking up her appointment. During her time at the Bar she practised widely in professional disciplinary work, medical negligence, inquests and inquiries. She was appointed Senior Counsel in 2012 and was shortly after engaged to act as Senior Counsel assisting the Commissioner in the Special Commission of Inquiry into particular allegations of sexual abuse in the Maitland Newcastle Diocese.  
As Senior Counsel she specialised in inquiries, the alternative dispute resolution of sexual abuse cases and medical and government law.  
Prior to becoming a barrister, Julia practised as a solicitor for 13 years, first in general practice and then specialising in insurance law. She completed her law degree at Sydney University in 1982 and then completed a part time Bachelor of Arts at Macquarie University majoring in English Literature and Linguistics.  
She is the mother of two teenage daughters and is still looking for the elusive work-life balance.
4. Q & A Panel with **Justice Julia Lonergan, IEU member Amanda Farrugia (PDHPE Teacher and Captain of the GWS Giants AFLW Team) and Pam Smith**.
5. Thank you and close