



Corruption Prevention **Network**

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### **Conference to focus on identity fraud**

The fight against identity fraud and corruption will be under the spotlight at the annual Corruption Prevention Network Conference in Sydney this week.

The conference, titled "True Lies Genuine Fakes - Identity Crisis" will examine the impact of identity theft in Australia and provide practical advice to people who work in fraud control and corruption prevention.

Corruption Prevention Network Chairperson, Ken Robertson, said that the record number of people booked to attend the conference reflected increasing concern by both business and government about a rising trend of identity fraud and identity theft in Australia and overseas.

"It's becoming harder to know who you are really dealing with as both government and business continue to roll out new computer technologies that reduce face-to-face contact with the public." Mr Robertson said.

"Identity crime is increasing worldwide at a rapid rate. It's a price we pay for more convenience and greater efficiency in a faster moving and time obsessed world."

Eight expert speakers including journalist Wendy Bacon will address the conference.

Speakers will detail increasing risks of fraud and corruption in both business and government as more criminals seek to harvest information about law abiding people in order to impersonate them for financial gain.

The Corruption Prevention Network annual conference will begin at 9.00 am on Thursday 11 September, at Dockside, Balcony Level, Cockle Bay Wharf Darling Harbour.

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