

# Authenticity, Emotional Intelligence and AI in Family Mediation

Day 1, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026

➤ [ 09:30 - 10:00 ] **Registration with tea/coffee and a place to re-connect**

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➤ [ 10:00 - 10:05 ] **Welcome to Day 1**

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➤ [ 10:05 - 11:10 ] **An Introduction to AI Tools**  
Susie Masterson, Women's Therapist, Couples Coach and Advice Columnist

**Tea/Coffee Break - 11:10 - 11:30**

➤ [ 11:30 - 12:50 ] **Artificial Intelligence Tools for Children and Families**  
Helen Bradley and Erik Castenskiold, Your Direction

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➤ [ 12:50 - 13:00 ] **A Legal Aid Update**  
Leah Caldwell and Anna Vollans, FMA

**Buffet Lunch and Exhibition - 13:00-14:00**

➤ [ 14:00 - 16:00 ] **Introduction and Welcome to the FMA's new President, Mrs Justice Lucy Theis**

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➤ [ 14:00 - 16:00 ] **John Cornwall Lecture on Authenticity and AI in Mediation**  
Prof. Bryan Clark, the FMA's new Vice President

**Tea/Coffee Break - 16:00 - 16:20**

➤ [ 16:20 - 17:20 ] **The regulation and Management of AI use in Mediation**  
Philippa Johnson, FMA AI Sub-Group

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➤ [ 17:20 - 17:30 ] **Closing Remarks**  
FMA President, Mrs Justice Lucy Theis

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➤ [ 18:30 - 23:00 ] **Evening Social**

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# Evening Social

**18:30**

**Young FMA** Informal Social and Networking

**19:00**

**Networking** for all groups

**19:30**

**Celebration Dinner**

Followed by a Costumed Cabaret and  
The Return of the Silent Disco



(dress code: smart casual)

# Authenticity, Emotional Intelligence and AI in Family Mediation

Day 2, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026

➤ [ 09:30 - 10:00 ] **Registration with tea/coffee and a place to re-connect**

➤ [ 10:00 - 10:05 ] **Welcome to Day 2**  
Dr Mohamed Keshavjee, the FMA's new Vice President

➤ [ 10:05 - 11:00 ] **Authenticity in Mediation – Based on what we have learned on Day One, what does it mean to be an Authentic and Effective Mediator?**  
Group work and Panel Discussion with Prof Bryan Clark, Dr Mohamed Keshavjee, Neil Robinson, Carlie Norris and others

**Tea/Coffee Break – 11:00 – 11:20**

➤ [ 11:20 - 12:00 ] **Funny Money – How AI can help with Finances in Mediation**  
Games and Group Work led by Carlie Norris

➤ [ 12:00 - 13:30 ] **Workshops – choice of two:**

- 1. AI is Changing the Conversation: What Family Mediators Should Know**  
James Evans, Nova Law
- 2. Courtney: Online Legal Information for Families Going Through Divorce and Separation**  
Samantha Singer, QEB

**Buffet Lunch and Exhibition – 13:30 – 14:30**

➤ [ 14:30 - 16:00 ] **Workshops – choice of two:**

- 1. Family Solutions Group Report and Perspectives**  
Charlotte Bradley, Beverley Sayers and Carlie Norris
- 2. Cultural Authenticity in Family Mediation in a Changing Landscape from Different Cultural Perspectives**  
Dr Mohamed Keshavjee and Rukhsana Abdullah, Ismaili Community

**Tea/Coffee Break – 16:00 – 16:20**

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Day 2 Continued...

➤ [ 16:20 - 17:20 ] **What have we learned about Authenticity and AI?**  
Conclusions/Panel

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➤ [ 17:20 - 17:30 ] **Closing Remarks**  
Conference Committee

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➤ [ 17:30 ] **Close of Conference**

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