



HERBERT
SMITH
FREEHILLS

NATIVE TITLE AND INDIGENOUS HERITAGE

TRUE EXPERTISE, DELIVERED COMMERCIALY

We help businesses manage issues relating to native title and Aboriginal cultural heritage in the development and operation of mining, energy and infrastructure projects in Australia.

We advise on compliance with the *Native Title Act* and Aboriginal cultural heritage protection laws, and assist clients with native title agreements, indigenous land use agreements, heritage agreements and cultural heritage management plans.

We understand the jurisdictional differences, landscape and stakeholders you face, and the need for simplicity, curiosity and adaptability in your advisers. Our lawyers will work closely with you to manage native title and Aboriginal cultural heritage in the context of your project timelines and commercial objectives.

RECENT EXPERIENCE

BHP BILLITON

Advising on the negotiation of an indigenous land use agreement for the expansion of the Hay Point Coal Terminal

ORIGIN ENERGY

Acting for Origin Energy in native title and heritage negotiations in its Australian operations

VICTORIAN STATE GOVERNMENT

Acting for the Victorian State Government in relation to the A\$12 billion Melbourne Metro Rail Project on all aspects of land assembly, including native title, environment and planning approval processes, procurement and delivery

SOUTH32

Acting for South32 in negotiation of Northern Territory Aboriginal land rights agreements for Groote Eylandt

CENTENNIAL COAL

Providing native title and land access advice across the Centennial Coal operations in NSW, Australia

ADANI MINING - CARMICHAEL PROJECT

Acting for Adani Mining in relation to the indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) for the Carmichael Project in Queensland, Australia

OUR PEOPLE



**MELANIE
DEBENHAM**

PARTNER, PERTH

+61 8 9211 7560

Melanie.Debenham@hsf.com