

# ears study finds New Zealand's justice system ranks higher than Australia's

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AUCKLAND, July 28, 2014 – The World Justice Project Rule of Law Index 2014 ranks the New Zealand justice system ahead of Australia, Carolina Caliaba Crespo writes in the latest edition of *Advancing Together: Rule of Law Updates and Perspectives from the Asia Pacific* newsletter published by LexisNexis<sup>®</sup> today.

This Rule of Law Index ranks the New Zealand justice system at sixth in the world, ahead of Australia ranking at eighth. The index grades countries according to indicators such as constraints on government powers, security, regulatory enforcement, fundamental rights and the absence of corruption.

In this thought provoking article, Crespo explores the internal variations of the rule of law in the Pacific region and delves into a side by side comparison of the New Zealand and Australian justice systems.

Featuring hard-hitting issues that revolve around the rule of law and highlighting forums and events that serve the same in the region, this newsletter aims to unite the legal community in their support towards advancing the rule of law.

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