



INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION ASIA PACIFIC REGIONAL FORUM SCHOLARSHIP

9th IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum Biennial Conference

3–5 March 2027, Seoul, South Korea

Scholarship

The IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum is delighted to announce that two scholarships will be awarded to two young lawyers who wish to participate in this IBA conference, but who are unable to do so owing to financial constraint.

This conference has become the ideal opportunity for all lawyers, professionals and investors to keep up-to-date with significant developments in the region. As Asia Pacific continues to develop as one of the world's most important emerging markets, conference delegates will examine current developments and discuss how the region will tackle challenges facing both Asia Pacific and elsewhere.

The IBA therefore invites interested persons to apply for a scholarship, which will cover registration, provide a contribution towards travel and accommodation costs to attend the conference and social events.

All applications received by **16 OCTOBER 2026** will be submitted to the Scholarship Committee and each candidate must meet the requirements set out in the criteria overleaf.

The completed application form must be returned by **16 OCTOBER 2026** to:

Joey Feng
International Bar Association
Trade Tower, Suite 4306, 511
Yeongdong-daero (Samseong-dong),
Gangnam-gu, Seoul,
South Korea 06164
Tel: +82 2 6279 8100
Fax: +82 2 6279 8101
Email: joey.feng@int-bar.org

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS **16 OCTOBER 2026**. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

The application must be accompanied by a 2,500 word paper in English on the following topic:

AI and the practice of law: professional responsibility, confidentiality, and access to justice in the Asia Pacific.



Criteria

- (1) The Asia Pacific Regional Forum Scholarship to attend the **9th IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum Biennial Conference** from 3–5 March 2027 is free to enter. It is open to all lawyers up to and including the age of 35, practicing in an Asia Pacific country, whether or not they are members of the IBA. Previous recipients of the APF scholarships are excluded from the competition.
- (2) Applications should be sent by email or fax to Joey Feng at the IBA office: **joey.feng@int-bar.org** / +82 2 6279 8101.
- (3) Applications should be written in English and be accompanied by a 2,500 word paper on the following topic:

AI and the practice of law: professional responsibility, confidentiality, and access to justice in the Asia Pacific.

Papers must be original, unpublished works. They will not be under consideration for any Commercial Contract by any publishing house. The author is warranting his/her restricted copyright to the paper submitted.

- (4) Applications must be submitted and received by **16 OCTOBER 2026**. Applications received after this time will not be considered.
- (5) All applications will be submitted to the Scholarship Committee which will consist of IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum Officers. They will judge the papers primarily on the basis of legal argumentation, research, style, logic, originality and overall quality of the content.
- (6) It is planned that the IBA Office will communicate the conference selection panel decision to the successful applicant by **20 NOVEMBER 2026**.
- (7) The decision of the judging committee is final and no correspondence will be entered into. The decision will be published on the IBA website. The successful applicants will be contacted at the email address given on the application form.
- (8) The Scholarship Award includes:
 - Free registration for the **9th IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum Biennial Conference**, 3–5 March 2027, Seoul, South Korea, including social events; and
 - A contribution towards travel and accommodation costs to the conference.
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- (10) Each participant may submit only one application. Employees of the IBA or officers of any IBA committee are excluded from entering.
- (11) The IBA or the Scholarship Committee and the organisers of the scholarship are not responsible for the loss, damage or non-arrival, nor for any costs or expenses incurred in the preparation or the submission of your application.
- (12) Please note if you are awarded a scholarship, you will be required to confirm your attendance by providing a copy of your travel documents for your flight to be booked and visa letter issued (should you need to apply for one). These documents must be sent to Joey Feng (**joey.feng@int-bar.org**) by **18 DECEMBER 2026**.
- (13) The IBA has the right to publish a selection of the papers submitted, including but not limited to the winning paper (either the full text or extracts thereof) up to 18 months after the competition has ended; this includes but is not limited to the publication in the conference documentation and/or on the IBA website and/or other IBA publications. In any event, the name of the author will be indicated appropriately. Authors shall include a biographical note giving details of their legal career, studies and professional appointments. Papers received that are not in this form may not be considered.
- (14) If you are awarded a scholarship, please note that proficiency in English is mandatory and you will be required to provide evidence that you are able to practise law.
- (15) Participants will be expected to have read and accepted all the above rules.



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Please type or complete in BLOCK CAPITALS

Each question must be answered in detail *continuing on a separate sheet if necessary*

Personal

Family name _____

First name _____

Date of birth _____ Age _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Other

Nationality _____

Firm

Name of firm _____

Position within firm _____ Date of joining the firm _____

Address of firm

Street _____

City _____

Country _____ Postal / Zip code _____

Tel _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Address for correspondence (if different from above)

Street _____

City _____

Country _____ Postal / Zip code _____

Tel _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Education

Particulars of university education, including dates _____

Practice

Years of practice _____

Areas of practice _____

Countries admitted to practice _____

Other previous legal experience _____

Offices held with any national / local professional law association _____



Language

Level of fluency in English (ie fluent/good/working knowledge) _____

Do you speak any other foreign languages? _____

Other *(continue on separate sheet if necessary)*

Are you a member of the IBA? _____

Have you attended any other IBA conferences? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, where and when? _____

Where did you hear about the IBA's Scholarship Programme? _____

Please specify details of any previous scholarships and/or prizes awarded and details of time spent studying/working abroad.

We may seek a reference *(ie from the senior member of your firm, professor or other equivalent)*.

Please supply name and address details

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Country _____ Postal/Zip code _____

Tel _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Signed _____ Date _____

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