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Innovation shaping tomorrow: navigating the legal landscape

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Wednesday 11 November

1800 – 2000 **Host Committee welcome reception**
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Thursday 12 November

0800 – 1700 **Registration**

0830 – 0915 **Welcome buffet breakfast**

0915 – 0930 **Welcome remarks by Conference Co-Chairs**
Yoshifumi Onodera *Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, Tokyo; Co-Chair, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*
Doil Son *Yulchon, Seoul; Member, IBA LPD Council*

0930 – 0945 **Keynote speech**

Beyond the Brussels effect: mapping the sovereign AI landscape across Washington, Beijing, and broader Asia

When the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) first took effect in the EU, global legal and regulatory discourse heavily focused on the so-called 'Brussels effect'. Recently, however, as AI takes the centre stage, the imperative for sovereign AI has emerged as a new defining catalyst. In response, the US is actively asserting control over cross-border data flows on national security grounds – such as through bulk data transfer rules – while tightening oversight on advanced AI models following events like the Mythos Preview incident. Concurrently, China seeks to extend its strategic influence through initiatives like the World AI Cooperation Organization, while Asian nations, including Japan, Singapore and South Korea, are pioneering diverse frameworks to accelerate domestic AI innovation. As the prospects for a harmonised global AI governance framework remain uncertain, legal professionals must step up to serve as essential navigators through this increasingly complex policy and regulatory landscape.

Haksoo Ko *Former Chairman, Personal Information Protection Commission; Professor, Seoul National University School of Law, Seoul*

0945 – 1000 **Keynote speech**

Innovation at the frontline: legal leadership in AI, defence and global technology

As AI, defence, space and digital technologies increasingly converge, companies face unprecedented legal, regulatory and geopolitical challenges. This keynote explores how general counsel can enable innovation while navigating economic security, export controls, cybersecurity, cross-border collaboration and responsible AI governance. Drawing on the experience of a global technology and defence company, the session examines how legal leadership can build trust, resilience and sustainable growth in an increasingly complex world.

Yeon Hak Kim *Deputy General Counsel and Senior Executive Vice President, Hanwha, Seoul*

1000 – 1115 **AI sovereignty and national competitiveness: regulation, infrastructure and investment**

As countries race to secure AI leadership, governments are increasingly pursuing sovereign AI strategies through regulation, investment in computing infrastructure, data governance frameworks and public-private partnerships.

This session will explore how jurisdictions in Asia, Europe and North America are balancing innovation, national security and economic competitiveness, and what these developments mean for businesses operating across borders.

Moderators
Sae Youn Kim *Kim & Chang, Seoul*
Doil Son *Yulchon, Seoul; Member, IBA LPD Council*

Speakers
Kyle J Choi *Shin & Kim, Seoul*
Kijoong Kang *Bae, Kim & Lee, Seoul*
John Kim *Lee & Ko, Seoul*
Sejung Lee *Yoon & Yang, Seoul*

1115 – 1145 **Coffee/tea break**

1145 – 1315 **Hot topic roundtables**

A dynamic and interactive session enabling delegates to choose from a curated menu of hot topics at the intersection of intellectual property, technology and communication. The roundtable discussions will explore how innovation is reshaping legal, commercial and regulatory landscapes across sectors including media, entertainment, art, digital platforms, emerging technologies and beyond.

Each table will focus on a forward-looking issue designed to spark lively debate. Moderators will briefly introduce the topic, set the scene and guide the discussion, with participants bringing in their perspectives, questions and practical experience.

Roundtable Co-Chairs
Francesca Ferrero *Trevisan & Cuonzo, Milan; Senior Vice Chair, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*
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Thursday continued

1. AI-driven innovation: legal and IP challenges

As artificial intelligence continues to transform industries and drive innovation, it raises a wide range of legal and intellectual property (IP) challenges. This roundtable will explore the evolving legal landscape for AI-driven innovation, covering IP protection, ownership, infringement risks and legal liability. We will discuss new regulatory developments, cross-jurisdictional perspectives and practical approaches to address the challenges and opportunities brought by AI technologies.

Moderator
Ping Gu *Zhong Lun Law Firm, Beijing; Vice Chair, Patent Law Subcommittee, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*

2. Agentic AI in action: who's liable for agentic AI?

As agentic artificial intelligence moves from experimentation to real-world deployment, questions of legal responsibility are becoming increasingly complex. Who should be liable when autonomous AI agents make decisions, take action or cause harm? Join this roundtable to explore emerging legal challenges, share practical experiences and discuss possible approaches to allocating liability among the stakeholders across the AI value chain. This is a unique opportunity to exchange international insights and learn how different legal systems are addressing the risks and responsibilities of agentic AI.

Moderators
Yusufjon Khujanazorov *YUBISI Law Office, Tashkent*
Jia Yi Toh *Allen & Gledhill, Singapore*

3. Sovereign AI, borderless data? Data sovereignty and cross-border data

How do Asia and Europe approach sovereign artificial intelligence? And where do their priorities meet or differ? This roundtable begins by exploring Asian and European perspectives on AI development, data sovereignty and cross-border data flows. The Asian discussion will examine domestic AI capabilities, locally relevant models and regional data mobility, followed by a European perspective on AI and data sovereignty. Participants will then compare experiences and discuss what effective control requires, whether local hosting is enough and how national priorities can coexist with international data flows and access to global technology.

Moderators
Koraphot Jirachocksubsin *Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, Bangkok*
Ruben Roex *Timelex, Brussels*

4. Trusted AI in the real world: governance beyond compliance

As AI moves from controlled pilots into mission-critical legal and business operations, baseline regulatory compliance is no longer enough to earn stakeholder confidence. This roundtable invites participants to examine proactive governance strategies for real-world AI deployment, drawing on experience advising clients across sectors and jurisdictions. Discussion may cover, for example, managing algorithmic bias, preserving accountability and human oversight, allocating liability through contracts and translating high-level ethical frameworks into resilient internal controls. Attendees will gain practical legal insights into bridging the gap between statutory obligations and genuine trust from regulators, customers and the public and into sustaining that trust over time.

Moderators
Yuval Horn *Gornitzky & Co, Tel Aviv; Member, IBA Technology Law Committee Advisory Board*
Eddie Hsiung *Lee and Li, Taipei; Vice Chair, Platforms, E-commerce & Social Media Subcommittee, IBA Technology Law Committee*

5. Deepfakes, disinformation, digital authenticity and the limits of regulating truth

'On the internet, nobody knows you're a dog'
– Peter Steiner for The New Yorker (5 July 1993).

Digitalisation has made it harder to tell what is real. Deepfakes obscure identity, disinformation confuses facts and digital authenticity is necessary to verify source and integrity. The ubiquity of digital life and the rising availability and use of AI systems have accelerated these inherent facets of the internet. Join this roundtable to learn and engage with other legal experts experienced or interested in this topic. We reserve the right to implement random CAPTCHA tests to confirm your humanity.

Moderators
Dominic Hui *Ribeiro Hui, Hong Kong SAR; Vice Chair, China Working Group, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*
Gurjot Singh *Anand And Anand, New Delhi*
Alex Toh *Magellan Law, Singapore*

6. From sustaining tool to disruptive service – how the innovator's dilemma will split the global legal market in three

As artificial intelligence turns legal services into software-like products sold by outcome, we apply Clayton Christensen's Innovator's Dilemma to map a three-act disruption of the global legal market. Act one (2023–2026): artificial intelligence copilots like Harvey and Legora sustain law firms, boosting leverage and protecting hourly rates. Act two (2026–2028): general counsel deploy the same models in-house, squeezing mid-tier firms between premium firms and in-house AI. Act three (from 2028): AI-native autopilots such as Crosby, Lawhive and emerging Asian equivalents sell completed work directly to clients and move upmarket. We discuss which professional moats will hold and the business impact for law firms.

Moderators
Lukas Bühlmann *MLL Legal, Zürich; Member, IBA Technology Law Committee Advisory Board*
Sheng Rong Tng *Rajah & Tann, Singapore*
Axel Von Walter *GvW Graf von Westphalen, Munich*

7. Data centres: growth, regulation and community backlash

The global expansion of data centres, accelerated by artificial intelligence and cloud computing, is reshaping infrastructure investment across jurisdictions. Governments are courting data centre developers with incentives, while also tightening rules on data sovereignty, energy consumption, water use and environmental disclosure. At the same time, local communities are increasingly resisting new projects over land use, noise, heat and limited local benefits, often leading to moratoria, litigation and stricter permitting. We will discuss the evolving regulatory landscape, emerging approaches to managing community opposition and the legal, transactional and financing risks that now shape data centre development worldwide.

Moderators
Angela Flannery *Quay Law Partners, Sydney; Co-Chair, IBA Communications Law Committee*
Vivek Sriram *Khaitan & Co, Chennai*
Panupan Udomsuvannakul *Chandler Mori Hamada, Bangkok; Vice Chair, Fintech Subcommittee, IBA Technology Law Committee*

8. AI cybersecurity: do we need guardrails before models are released?

Artificial intelligence models offer powerful tools for cyber defense but may also facilitate cyberattacks. What safeguards should precede release? And who should determine whether the risks are acceptable? This roundtable will explore dual-use capabilities, security by design, pre-release testing and red-teaming, developer accountability and regulatory versus voluntary safeguards. Should different standards apply to controlled services and downloadable model weights? When should release be restricted or postponed? Using a practical hypothetical, participants will exchange cross-jurisdictional perspectives on balancing cybersecurity, innovation and access to defensive tools.

Moderators
Christophe Fichet *FICHET Avocats, Paris; European Regional Forum Liaison Officer, IBA Communications Law Committee*
Kensuke Inoue *Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Tokyo; Treasurer, IBA Communications Law Committee*

9. Quantum-safe encryption – the next big thing or Y2K reloaded?

Quantum computing's massive computational power is considered as a key risk to traditional encryption algorithms which may be broken within seconds rather than decades. This development has triggered a call for quantum safe encryption going forward. Is it a requirement for tech vendors to provide quantum safe encryption? How can quantum safe encryption be properly described as a contractual requirement? Or is it simply 'state of the art' and 'best practice'? Will we soon see another wave of quantum encryption clauses built in contracts along the supply chain as we had experienced ahead of the year 2000 (Y2K) issue?

Moderators
Benjamin Gaw *Drew & Napier, Singapore; Chair, Development, Innovation and Commercial Transactions Subcommittee, IBA Healthcare and Life Sciences Law Committee*
Roland Mathys *Schellenberg Wittmer, Zürich; Co-Chair, IBA Technology Law Committee*

10. Defence technology

This roundtable will talk about the latest trends in defence technology from a legal perspective. We will look at some recent developments in export controls and other related laws, including regulation of battlefield data for artificial intelligence training and the thin line when common items may become dual-use. We will discuss investment and M&A issues such as foreign investment screening, sanctions compliance, due diligence and ESG considerations. We will also cover funding opportunities through NATO and EU programmes, defence procurement and intellectual property and technology transfer. Finally, we will address how AI and autonomous systems are regulated, liability and anti-corruption risks in the defence sector.

Moderators
Nazar Chernyavsky *Sayenko Kharenko, Kyiv; Member, IBA Technology Law Committee Advisory Board*
Clara-Ann Gordon *Baer & Karrer, Zürich; Co-Chair, IBA Women Lawyers' Committee*

11. Back to the moon – sustainable activity

The session will include a discussion on legal aspects of long-term habitation and scientific activity associated with proposed long-term lunar scientific and commercial activities. Subjects include:

- Habitat design, construction and location
- Sustainable activities by sovereign nations and corporate actors
- Property rights and jurisdiction issues
- Power sources for lunar habitation, mining and research
- Examples of the health industry in space, pharmaceutical industry research and development

Moderators
John Caruso *Caruso & Co Legal, Adelaide; Membership Officer, IBA Space Law Committee*
Soyoung Chung *Korea Aerospace Research Institute (KARI), Seoul*
Paul Monaghan *The Law Society of New South Wales, Sydney; Member, IBA Space Law Advisory Board*

12. Intellectual property strategies in emerging markets and high-tech industries

From computer-implemented inventions and artificial intelligence to quantum computing, digital technologies are redrawing the map of innovation – and of intellectual property. Hosted in Seoul, a dynamic hub of high-tech innovation, this round table brings together international practitioners to examine how patent offices and courts in Europe, the US and emerging markets in Asia are responding, from patent eligibility and AI inventorship to post-quantum security. The discussion will explore integrated protection strategies combining patents, trade secrets, design and copyright, as well as enforcement and licensing in emerging markets. Join us for practical, cross-border insights essential for business lawyers and in-house counsel shaping tomorrow's technology portfolios.

Moderators
Jeffrey Costellia *Nixon Peabody, Washington DC; Co-Chair, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*
Sebastian Heim *GvW Graf von Westphalen, Munich; Chair, IP Transactions and Technology Transfer Subcommittee, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*
Daiki Ishikawa *Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, Tokyo*

13. Who funds culture and who owns the intellectual property? How streaming regulation and tax credit rules shape local content commissioning deals

As global streaming platforms increasingly finance and commission local productions, who funds culture – and who ends up owning the intellectual property? This roundtable explores how streaming regulation and audiovisual tax incentives are reshaping commissioning and licensing deals between platforms and independent producers. Drawing on EU and Italian frameworks, with comparative perspectives from Korea and beyond, participants will discuss investment obligations and content quotas, independent producer protections, tax credit eligibility and AI-related safeguards. Expect a practical, lively exchange on ownership of underlying and derivative rights, windows, exclusivity and holdbacks and allocating rights, risks and revenues to sustain local audiovisual productions.

Moderators
Vishal Gandhi *Gandhi & Associates, Mumbai*
Olga Sihtar *Orsingher Ortu - Avvocati Associati, Milano*

14. Children's online privacy and safety: APAC's regulatory moment

Across APAC, regulators are moving decisively to protect children online. Australia has introduced a social media minimum age and digital duty of care legislation and is finalising a Children's Online Privacy Code. (India's Digital Personal Data Protection Act and Rules require verifiable parental consent and restrict tracking and targeted advertising directed at children.) Similar initiatives are emerging in Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and beyond. This roundtable will touch on these developments, practical challenges with age assurance and parental consent, privacy–safety tensions and how global businesses can build compliant, child-centric products across divergent regional regimes.

Moderator
Jarrod Bayliss-McCulloch *Baker McKenzie, Melbourne*

1315 – 1415 **Lunch**

1415 – 1515 Navigating the digital ecosystem: intermediary liability, responsibility and cross-border IP enforcement

The explosive growth of digital platforms, from e-commerce marketplaces and social media networks to app stores and AI-powered content aggregators, has fundamentally disrupted traditional IP enforcement frameworks. Rights holders increasingly find themselves chasing infringement across borderless online ecosystems where the identity of the infringer may be obscured, the platform's legal obligations are unclear, and the applicable law is contested. This panel will discuss these issues across jurisdictions represented on the panel.

Moderators
Hayoun Chun *Lee & Ko, Seoul*
Statira Ranina *ALMT Legal, Mumbai; Vice Chair, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*

Speakers
Masato Kumeuchi *Nagashima Ohno & Tsunematsu, Tokyo*
Eesun Kwon *Shin & Kim, Seoul*
Kelley Loo *Deacons, Hong Kong SAR*
Mizi Park *Alibaba International, Seoul*
Marko Zoretic *Knobbe Martens, Irvine*

1515 – 1615 Beyond human control: liability, autonomy and accountability in the age of AI agents and robotics

The session will examine how AI systems are moving beyond traditional chatbots and software environments into physical and autonomous decision-making roles, including service robots, autonomous vehicles, drones, surgical robotics, and AI agents capable of negotiating contracts, filing regulatory submissions, or conducting transactions online.

The panel will explore how these developments challenge established legal doctrines in areas such as liability, agency, product safety, intellectual property, confidentiality and professional responsibility, and will provide practical guidance on contracts, governance policies, compliance structures and insurance solutions for increasingly autonomous AI systems.

Moderators
Sharon Klein *Blank Rome, Los Angeles*
Yong Min Lee *Yulchon, Seoul*
Takashi Nakazaki *Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Tokyo*
Jiyoung Sohn *Bae, Kim & Lee, Seoul*

Speakers
Jonathan Goff *Business Vice President, Information and Electronic Business Group, Mitsubishi Chemical Group, Tokyo*
San Kang *Kim & Chang, Seoul*
Rotimi Ogunyemi *BOC Legal, Lagos*

1615 – 1645 **Coffee/tea break**

1645 – 1800 Key art law disputes in a changing landscape: what do we see, and can arbitration help?

Art-related disputes increasingly involve cross-border transactions, cultural heritage claims, restitution demands, authenticity disputes and competing ownership interests. In this context, arbitration is often presented as a secure, confidential and internationally enforceable mechanism for resolving complex art disputes.

This session will examine whether arbitration can genuinely serve as a safeguard in the art world, exploring its advantages, limitations and practical challenges through recent cases and developments across different jurisdictions.

Moderators
Tetiana Bersheda *Bersheda Law, Zurich; Scholarship Officer, IBA Art, Cultural Institutions and Heritage Law Committee*
Dong-Won Kim *Kim & Chang, Seoul*

Speakers
Chunghwan Choi *Yulchon, Seoul; Member, IBA SPPI Council*
Joongi Kim *Professor, Yonsei Law School, Seoul; Co-Chair, Asia Pacific Arbitration Group, IBA Arbitration Committee*
Michael Mroczek *Nozomi Sogo Attorneys at Law, Tokyo*
Kamlla Nagganand *Aarna Law, Bengaluru; Senior Vice Chair, IBA Art, Cultural Institutions and Heritage Law Committee*
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1830 – 2100 **Conference dinner**
The Grand Lotte Seoul
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Friday 13 November

0815 – 1700 **Registration**

0830 – 0930 **Welcome buffet breakfast**

0930 – 1045 Securing the stack: legal frontiers in cybersecurity, critical infrastructure and autonomous systems

As societies become dependent on interconnected autonomous systems – from satellite networks to AI-driven communications platforms to smart infrastructure – the legal frameworks governing their security have become a genuinely cross-disciplinary challenge. This panel asks: who is legally responsible when the stack fails, is attacked, or is weaponised?

Moderators
Nazar Chernyavsky *Sayenko Kharenko, Kyiv; Member, IBA Technology Law Committee Advisory Board*
Takafumi Ochiai *Atsumi & Sakai, Tokyo*

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Albert Agustinoy *Cuatrecasas, Barcelona; Senior Vice Chair, IBA Technology Law Committee*
Jay Choi *SK Shieldus, Seongnam*
Rebecca Dunn *Gilbert + Tobin, Sydney*
Pascal C Dutru *Ministry of Communications and Information Technology of Qatar, Doha; Member, IBA Communications Law Committee Advisory Board*
Ping Gu *Zhong Lun Law Firm, Beijing; Vice Chair, Patent Law Subcommittee, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*

1045 – 1115 **Coffee/tea break**

1115 – 1230 Cross-border AI in practice: legal challenges for global business

Artificial intelligence is increasingly deployed across multiple jurisdictions, yet businesses must navigate an increasingly fragmented legal landscape. This session will explore the practical legal challenges arising from cross-border AI deployment, including intellectual property, copyright, data governance, privacy, contractual allocation of risk, product liability, platform regulation, and compliance with divergent AI regulatory frameworks. Rather than focusing on a single jurisdiction, the discussion will examine how multinational businesses and their advisers can manage conflicting legal requirements and develop practical global strategies.

Moderators
Caroline Berube *HJM Asia Law & Co, Guangzhou; Member, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum Advisory Board*
Yoshifumi Onodera *Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, Tokyo; Co-Chair, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*

Speakers
Jyotsna Jayaram *Trilegal, Bengaluru*
Judge Dae Suk Oh *Changwon District Court, Changwon*
Kok Leong Tham *Allen & Gledhill, Singapore*
Jingyu (Eli) Zhang *JunHe, Beijing; Young Lawyers' Committee Liaison Officer, IBA Law Firm Management Committee*

1230 – 1330 **Lunch**

1330 – 1445 Communications infrastructure, cybersecurity and AI safety: regulatory developments worldwide

In the current environment, with AI innovations creating an unprecedented explosion of demand for communications infrastructure, governments around the globe are considering the need for regulation of that infrastructure to provide protections in two critical areas: cybersecurity and AI safety. This panel will critically analyse the difference between approaches across jurisdictions and propose solutions for a global approach.

Moderators
Angela Flannery *Quay Law Partners, Sydney; Co-Chair, IBA Communications Law Committee*
Hyein Lee *Shin & Kim, Seoul*

Speakers
Hiromu Kitamura *Toyo University, Saitama*
Lucinda Longcroft *Tech Council of Australia, Sydney*
Jiyoung Sang *Bae, Kim & Lee, Seoul*
Gil Zhang *Fangda Partners, Shanghai*

1445 – 1600 Echo chambers: law, technology, and the future of informed discourse

Originally, the term 'echo chamber' referred to a room designed to produce echo and reverberation for recording music, such as using a tiled bathroom to create a hollow sound. Today, echo chamber is being used to refer to a digital environment where a person only encounters information, opinions and beliefs that reflect and reinforce their own. This is done by restricting exposure to opposing viewpoints, often amplifying existing views. The net result is creation of a false sense of consensus. Today, Big Tech and media are doing so, via social media feeds, specialised news outlets and homogeneous online forums. Social media algorithms (like those used by Facebook, X, and YouTube) curate content based on past behaviour, showing users only what they already agree with. We then tend to follow like-minded people on social media or discuss topics only with people who share the same views.

The challenge here is that users within an echo chamber might be more susceptible to misinformation, as they are not exposed to diverse perspectives or counterarguments.

These challenges may be addressed by regulation, which doesn't exist. Socially aware corporates can, of course, combine algorithmic adjustments with user-driven content diversification to combat social polarisation. Some strategies that may be implemented by platforms, to combat the ill effects, include developing balanced recommendation systems, enhancing algorithmic transparency, and actively seeking diverse perspectives to mitigate confirmation bias.

Users (in the absence of regulators) can demand technology companies disclose how recommendation algorithms function. Users may be provided an option to receive content that presents different viewpoints, rather than only reinforcing pre-existing views. This will allow users to intentionally seek out news from a variety of sources that challenge existing views.

There are a few regulatory frameworks that are giving this trend some thought. The EU Digital Services Act focuses on algorithmic accountability, transparency and requiring platforms to manage risks related to the amplification of divisive or sensational content. The UK Online Safety Act aims to hold platforms accountable for harmful content amplification, including mechanisms that create 'rabbit holes' of extremist material. Data protection laws around the globe restrict the use of personal data for micro-targeting and algorithmic filtering, which are foundational to creating echo chambers. The EU AI Act regulates the underlying AI and algorithms responsible for content curation.

The challenge with having a specific regulation addressing echo chamber ills is that it may violate either freedom of expression or user privacy. What if a user has consented to data collection for personalised services? It is this personalisation that fuels echo chambers. Interestingly, the GDPR focuses on protecting data rather than limiting the 'bubble' effect!

Moderators
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1600 – 1630 **Coffee/tea break**

1630 – 1745 **Current issues in space law – back to the Moon and permanent Moon settlement**

This session will review current issues in space law arising from the renewed global focus on returning to the Moon and the prospect of permanent lunar settlement.

It will consider proposed lunar missions and plans by NASA, the European Space Agency, China and Roscosmos, and will examine how existing principles of international space law, including the non-appropriation of outer space and celestial bodies, apply to these developments.

The session will also explore how the need for lunar development can be reconciled with private and common usage, the application of the 'peaceful purposes' principle and restrictions on certain military establishments, and the legal issues surrounding commercial activities on the Moon, including intellectual property and international agreements for commercial operations.

Moderators
Yoon Sun Kim *Yoon & Yang, Seoul*
Paul Monaghan *The Law Society of New South Wales, Sydney; Member, IBA Space Law Committee Advisory Board*

Speakers
John Caruso *Caruso & Co Legal, Adelaide; Membership Officer, IBA Space Law Committee*
Soyoung Chung *Korea Aerospace Research Institute (KARI), Seoul*
Steven Freeland *Chair, United Nations COPUOS Working Group on Legal Aspects of Space Resource Activities, Sydney*
Hankil D Kang *Lee & Ko, Seoul*
Nikhil Narendran *Trilegal, Bengaluru*
Tomoki Yamada *Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Tokyo*
Nayoung Youn *National Research Council of Science & Technology (NST), Sejong*

1745 – 1800 **Closing remarks by Conference Co-Chairs**

Yoshifumi Onodera *Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, Tokyo; Co-Chair, IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee*
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Online by **6 November 2026** at **www.ibanet.org/conference-details/CONF2838** and make payment by credit card to avail of the ten per cent online booking discount or complete the attached booking form and return it to Sohyun Kwon at the IBA together with your proof of bank transfer payment. You should receive an email confirmation of your booking within five days; if you do not, please contact **sohyun.kwon@int-bar.org**.

Fees

Online bookings received:	On or before 16 October	Until 6 November
IBA member	US$1,065	US$1,180
IBA Member (discounted countries*)	US$640	US$1,180
IBA Members (Academics/Judges/Not for Profit/ Public Lawyers/ Senior Lawyers/Young Lawyers) Please click **HERE** for the definitions of discounted fee categories	US$640	$1,180
Non member**	US$1,300	US$1,415
Non member (discounted countries)	US$780	US$1,415
Non Members (Academics/Judges/Not for Profit/ Public Lawyers/Young Lawyers) Please click **HERE** for the definitions of discounted fee categories	US$780	US$1,415
Corporate Counsel***	US$960	US$1,415
Guest fee	US$190	US$190

Hard copy registration forms and fees received:	On or before 16 October	After 16 October
IBA member	US$1,185	US$1,315
IBA Member (discounted countries*)	US$ 710	US$1,315
IBA Members (Academics/Judges/Not for Profit/ Public Lawyers/ Senior Lawyers/Young Lawyers) Please click **HERE** for the definitions of discounted fee categories	US$710	US$1,315
Non member**	US$1,445	US$1,575
Non member (discounted countries)	US$865	US$1,575
Non Members (Academics/Judges/Not for Profit/ Public Lawyers/Young Lawyers) Please click **HERE** for the definitions of discounted fee categories	US$865	US$1,575
Corporate Counsel***	US$1,065	US$1,575
Guest fee	US$190	US$190

* Discounts only apply if the delegate registration is completed before the early booking deadline of **16 October 2026**.

The full list of discounted countries can be found **HERE**

** By paying the non-member fee, we welcome you as a delegate member of the IBA for the year in which this conference is held, which entitles you to the following benefits:
- Password access to certain parts of the IBA website.
- Receipt of *IBA E-news* and access to online versions of *IBA Global Insight*.
- Pay the member rate

*** A reduced rate is offered to IBA Corporate Group Members. Please register online to obtain a 25 per cent discount on the IBA Member fee

If you would like to become a full or general member of the IBA, which includes membership of one committee or more – and inclusion in and access to our membership directory – we encourage you to do so now to book for this Conference at the member rate. You can find full details of how to join at **www.ibanet.org**.

A reduced rate is offered to lawyers who are over the age of 65, have been an IBA member for more than 20 years and are no longer practising law.

Full payment must be received to obtain your Conference documentation.

Fees include:
- Attendance at all working sessions
- Access to the Conference materials from the IBA website (**www.ibanet.org**), including any available speakers' papers submitted to the IBA before 6 November.
- Access to live delegate search
- Host Committee welcome reception on Wednesday
- Networking buffet breakfast on Thursday and Friday
- Lunch on Thursday and Friday
- Conference dinner on Thursday
- Tea and coffee during breaks

Delegate / speaker conference bookings allow for individual entry and attendance to the conference. Delegates / speakers are not permitted to invite guests to attend any working sessions, workshops, or conference social functions.

Please note that bookings are not transferable.

Guest fees include:
- Host Committee welcome reception on Wednesday
- Conference dinner on Thursday

Your Guest cannot be a member of the legal profession (which includes any business development professional, junior associate, consultant, or assistant) nor seek to use the Conference as a business networking opportunity.

Guests are not permitted access to working sessions, refreshment breaks or lunches at the Conference. Checks are performed to ensure members

of the legal profession, or business associates are not booked as Guests. If a Guest is found to be a member of the legal profession, the booking will be refused unless the Guest books as a full delegate for the Conference. Should a Guest be seen attending working sessions, refreshment breaks or lunches, an invoice for the full booking fee will be issued to the delegate for the Guest's participation at the Conference.

Only paid Guests (i.e. those paying the guest fee) are eligible to participate in the social programme; and the number of Guests is limited.

List of participants

For your name to appear in the list of participants, your booking form must be received by 6 November at the latest.

Online delegate search

Delegates can use the online delegate search via the IBA website, to use this function delegates will need to be logged into their MyIBA. This will allow search access to up-to-date attendance lists.

Booking confirmation

Upon receipt of your payment for the Conference a confirmation email will be sent to you which contains information regarding your attendance at the Conference. You will also be able to view and download your payment information and manage your booking via your My IBA profile on the IBA website.

Book with confidence

- If the IBA needs to reschedule the event, your booking will be automatically transferred to the new date and no additional fees will be charged. If this date is not convenient for a delegate, a refund of the cost of the conference place will be available on request to the IBA.
- If the IBA is unable to reschedule the conference within 12 months of the original scheduled date, a full refund of the cost of the conference place will automatically be made to all delegates.
- Please note that the IBA will not provide refunds for any costs incurred including any travel costs.

Please note, these terms are subject to any more restrictive or different local requirements and may be altered and amended from time to time to reflect any changes to restrictions or government requirements.

Hotel accommodation

A limited number of rooms have been reserved at The Westin Josun Seoul for the nights of 11–13 November 2026:

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The following rate is per room, per night and exclusive of breakfast*, and exclusive of service charges and local taxes. This rate also applies to three nights pre- and post-conference, subject to availability.

• Deluxe Room: KRW 380,000++

**Breakfast is available upon request at check-in: KRW 50,000++ per guest, per night.*

To reserve a room, please **CLICK HERE**.

Cancellation and no-show policy
Please note that in the event of any cancellations or no-shows, rooms will be charged to the individual guest's credit card given at the time of booking.

As a limited number of rooms have been blocked at the hotel, availability cannot be guaranteed once the room block is full.

Delegates are responsible for making accommodation reservations directly with the hotel and entering into an agreement with the hotel regarding credit card guarantees, cancellation terms and conditions, and room rates (should these differ from the special IBA rate). The IBA cannot accept responsibility for hotel accommodation disputes between a delegate and the hotel.

Unauthorised accommodation agents

It has been brought to our attention that there are multiple companies contacting past attendees, claiming to represent the IBA, offering 'assistance' with conference and hotel bookings.

They are operating by cold-calling and spamming companies whose names have appeared on previous List of Participants, Programmes and Sponsorship recognition. Please ignore any communication that does not come directly from the IBA.

Disabled access

The Westin Josun Seoul is wheelchair accessible. Please notify us if you require special assistance.

Continuing Professional Development /Continuing Legal Education

For Conference delegates from jurisdictions where CPD/CLE is mandatory, the IBA will provide a Certificate of Attendance for the Conference. Subject to CPD/CLE requirements, Conference delegates can use this to obtain the relevant number of hours' accreditation. The number of CPD/CLE hours available may vary depending on the rules applied by the members' bar association/law society on time recording criteria.

A Certificate of Attendance is available to Conference delegates on request. Please ask at the IBA Conference registration desk for information on how to obtain the certificate.

Terms and Conditions

All conference delegates must provide full and accurate information regarding their identity and contact information. Failure to do so will result in their conference booking being cancelled.

Full payment must be received to obtain your Conference documentation.

Cancellation of conference or social functions

If cancellation is received by email to **Sohyun.kwon@int-bar.org** on or before the early-registration deadline date, fees will be refunded less a 15 per cent administration charge.

Cancellations received after the early-registration deadline date and up to 14 days prior to the first day of the Conference, will be refunded less a 25 per cent administration charge. Refunds will be made minus any monies owed to the IBA. Monies cannot be kept on IBA member accounts or transferred to future IBA conferences.

We regret that no refunds can be made after this time. Conference or social function bookings received after this time will not be eligible for any refund of fees. Should you have difficulties in obtaining your visa and are not able to attend the Conference this cancellation policy will still apply.

Payment

When booking the Conference, full payment of the booking fee is required at the time we accept your booking.

VAT will be added to delegate fees as appropriate. Our prices may change at any time, but any price change will not affect bookings that we have confirmed with you. Booking fees for the Conference can only be paid in the booking fee currency listed above.

Credit card payments: The IBA accepts these payment methods: American Express, Diners, Discover, JCB, Maestro, Mastercard, UnionPay, and Visa. Payments from local or affiliate services linked to these providers can also be made through the IBA website.

It is the responsibility of the cardholder to ensure that the card's security details are ready and to check that there is a sufficient balance on the card for the payment to complete.

All fees payable to us by you in relation to the Conference shall be paid free and clear of all deductions or withholdings whatsoever.

If any deductions or withholdings are required by law to such fees, you shall pay such sum as will, after the deduction or withholding has been made, leave us with the same amount as we would have been entitled to receive in the absence of any such requirement to make a deduction or withholding.

Travel arrangements and visas

Participants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements to attend the Conference. It is recommended that you check any visa requirements with your local embassy or consulate. In particular, participants should inform themselves of the entry requirements (i.e. visa requirements) of the event location and complete the necessary formalities in good time before the event begins. The IBA will not be liable if a visa application is denied, a visa is received too late to attend, or if a delegate is not able to travel to the Conference for any other reason.

We are unable to dispatch visa invitation letters to support your visa application prior to receipt of your booking form and full payment of conference fees.

Please apply for your visa in good time.

Carbon efficient travel

With IBA conferences taking place in major business centres all over the world, travel is an unavoidable reality for our delegates. The IBA encourages its members and delegates to be responsible and conscious of the impact travel has on the environment and to take measures to reduce the carbon impact of their travel.

Some suggested steps that delegates can take include:

- Travel by train instead of flying if possible.
- Book direct flights instead of connecting flights, if available, as limiting the number of stops needed will reduce your carbon footprint.
- Consider the impact of the travel class that you book – business class travel equates to 3 times the carbon footprint of economy class.

Relying on the local public transport is the more carbon friendly option, but this is not always a realistic option. Where reliance on taxis/cars is needed use electric vehicles over petrol or diesel and share vehicle usage with other delegates and colleagues.

Badges

For security reasons, name badges are required to be worn visibly at all times during the Conference and at any IBA organised social function linked to the Conference. Proof of identity is required to collect your badge and for a replacement badge to be issued. Checks will be in place and staff will challenge delegates not wearing a valid conference badge. Anyone not wearing a badge must get a replacement badge from IBA staff or will be required to leave the venue immediately. Anyone found wearing a badge that they are not entitled to wear will have the badge removed and will be required to leave the Conference.

All conference bookings are non-transferable and cannot be resold, transferred or passed on to another person, whether for commercial gain or otherwise.

Name badges can only be used by the booked attendee to access the event or social function; name badges cannot be shared or borrowed by any other person, whether registered for the event or otherwise.

Any breach of these terms will result in the booked attendee being required to leave the event / social function with immediate effect and the cancellation of their booking without reimbursement or refund of any previously paid fees.

Dietary requirements

The IBA endeavours to accommodate all special dietary requests confirmed to us before bookings close. Requests made after this time cannot be guaranteed and all dietary requests are subject to local availability (which is outside the IBA's control).

Photography and filming

Certain sessions and social functions at an IBA Event may be photographed or filmed and some of this content may be used for future IBA marketing materials, member communications, products or services. Should you have any concerns about this, or if you do not wish to be featured in any of these materials, please contact the IBA Marketing Department at **ibamarketing@int-bar.org**.

No participant, attending in any capacity, is authorised to record or film the conference working sessions, workshops or social function without the prior written permission of the Conferences Director.

Illness

You will not attend the Conference if you are displaying symptoms of a communicable disease. Should you develop symptoms during your attendance, you will inform a member of IBA staff by email (**Sohyun.kwon@int-bar.org**) and you agree not to attend any further sessions or related events and to comply with all local and national restrictions.

You agree that, if asked by the relevant local or national authorities, the IBA has permission to pass on your personal information and contact details to those authorities should contact tracing be required.

Promotional literature

No individual or organisation may display or distribute publicity material or other printed matter during an IBA Event, unless by prior arrangement with the IBA. Organisations and companies wishing to discuss promotional opportunities should contact the IBA Sponsorship Department at **sponsorship@int-bar.org**.

Conference sell-outs

The IBA hosts conferences in venues of a suitable size for each event; however, there are times when a conference may sell out and the IBA cannot guarantee places will be available. Should this happen, prospective delegates will be informed, and a waiting list will operate. The waiting list will function on a 'first come, first served' basis, subject to receiving booked delegate cancellations. The waiting list for the Conference will close once the waiting list has reached ten per cent of the venue capacity, as it is very unlikely a place will become available. IBA will not be liable for any expenses or costs incurred by you (including travel and accommodation costs) in relation to attendance at the Conference, including if you travel to the Conference without a confirmed place).

Harassment

Conferences provide unrivalled professional development and network-building opportunities for international legal practitioners and their professional associates. The IBA values the participation of every delegate and member of the IBA and wants all attendees to have an enjoyable and fulfilling experience. Accordingly, all Conference attendees are expected to show respect and courtesy to other attendees, IBA staff and those involved with hosting the events throughout the Conference and at all events, receptions, and parties, whether officially organised by the IBA or others. All delegates, guests, attendees, speakers, exhibitors, staff and volunteers at the Conference are required to conform to the IBA Harassment Policy. See **www.ibanet.org/iba-harassment-policy**.

Cancellation by the IBA

We may at any time, with or without giving notice, in our absolute discretion and without giving any reason, cancel or postpone the Conference, change its venue or any of the other published particulars, or withdraw any invitation to attend. In any case, we will not be liable for any loss, liability, damage or expense suffered or incurred by any person, nor will we return any money paid to us in connection with the Conference unless we are satisfied not only that the money in question remains under our control but also that the person who paid it has been unfairly prejudiced (as to which, decision shall be in their sole and unfettered discretion and, when announced, final and conclusive).

The IBA shall have no liability to you, for a refund or otherwise, where the IBA is forced to cancel or reschedule part or all of the Conference due to reasons beyond our reasonable control. However, refunds may be paid at IBA's discretion.

IBA will be entitled to change the venue and make minor changes to the timing and content of the Conference.

The IBA, its officers and staff accept no responsibility for any views expressed, presentations or materials produced by delegates or speakers at the Conference.

Full **Conference and Events Terms and Conditions** apply.

Booking form

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Please read the 'Information' section before completing this form and return it together with your proof of bank transfer to Sohyun Kwon at the address below.

BOOK ONLINE AT **WWW.IBANET.ORG/CONFERENCE-DETAILS/CONF2838** TO MAKE IMMEDIATE AND SECURE PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD AND OBTAIN A TEN PER CENT DISCOUNT ON THE FEES BELOW

PERSONAL DETAILS *(Please attach your business card or write in block capitals)*

Title_____ Given name _____ Family name _____

Name and country to be shown on badge *(if different from above)* _____

IBA Membership number *(if applicable)* _____ Date of birth _____

Firm/company/organisation_____

Address _____

_____ Country _____

Tel _____Email _____

Guest _____

Guests are not entitled to attend the working sessions, refreshment breaks or lunches. A guest must not be a member of the legal profession or seek to use the Conference as a business networking opportunity.

SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

If you have special dietary requirements, due to allergen intolerances, medical, religious reasons or a life choice, please specify the requirement below. The IBA is unable to cater for dietary requirements other than for the above reasons.

☐ Please tick box if you have allergen intolerances and specify _____

Please state all other dietary requirements clearly, i.e. I am a vegetarian.

_____

Disclosure of dietary information denotes you have agreed to the IBA sharing this information with relevant third parties who are providing catering on our behalf.

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IBA MEMBERS CAN BOOK ONLINE BY **16 OCTOBER** FOR **US$1,065**.
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IBA Members (Academics/Judges/Not for Profit/ Public Lawyers/Senior Lawyers/Young Lawyers)	US$710	US$1,315	**US$**
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Corporate Counsel**	US$1,065	US$1,575	**US$**
Guest***	US$190	US$190	**US$**

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Wednesday – Host Committee welcome reception	☐ NIL	NIL
Thursday – Conference dinner	☐ NIL	NIL

One social function place per delegate is permitted.

TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE **US$**

*JOIN THE IBA TODAY AND BOOK FOR THIS CONFERENCE AT THE IBA MEMBER RATE.
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THE FULL LIST OF DISCOUNTED COUNTRIES CAN BE FOUND **HERE**.

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A REDUCED RATE IS OFFERED TO LAWYERS WHO ARE OVER THE AGE OF 65, HAVE BEEN AN IBA MEMBER FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS AND ARE NO LONGER PRACTISING LAW. PLEASE CONTACT THE IBA OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

***GUESTS ARE NOT ENTITLED TO ATTEND THE WORKING SESSIONS. NO MEMBER OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION MAY BOOK AS A GUEST. GUEST FEES INCLUDE ATTENDANCE AT HOST COMMITTEE WELCOME RECEPTION ON WEDNESDAY AND CONFERENCE DINNER ON THURSDAY; AND THE NUMBER OF GUESTS IS LIMITED.

FULL PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED IN ORDER TO PROCESS YOUR BOOKING.
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By bank transfer or BACs payment

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US dollars: by bank transfer to the IBA account at the National Westminster Bank, St James's & Piccadilly Branch, 208 Piccadilly, London W1A 2DG, United Kingdom.

SWIFT address NWBKGB2L, IBAN GB55NWBK60730101286498

Please ensure that a copy of the bank transfer details is attached to your booking form.

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About the IBA

The International Bar Association (IBA), established in 1947, is the world's leading organisation of international legal practitioners, bar associations, law firms and law societies.

The IBA influences the development of international law reform and shapes the future of the legal profession throughout the world. It has a membership of more than 80,000 individual lawyers and more than 190 bar associations and law societies spanning over 170 countries.

Inspired by the vision of the United Nations, the IBA was founded in the same spirit, just before the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was proclaimed in 1948.

The IBA covers all practice areas and professional interests, providing members with access to leading experts and up-to date information, enabling them to better represent their clients' interests.

Through its various committees, fora, and task forces, the IBA facilitates the exchange of information and views among its members as to laws, practices and professional responsibilities relating to the practice of law around the globe.

IBA Art, Cultural Institutions and Heritage Law Committee

The Art, Cultural Institutions and Heritage Law Committee focuses on all legal aspects pertaining to art, artists, the art market and cultural heritage. The Committee's interest extends from antiquities all the way to contemporary and ultra-contemporary works of art.

With members from over 50 countries – including experts in museums, galleries, auction houses, and cultural heritage protection – the Committee fosters communication among legal professionals on all matters involving Art and Cultural Property Law. Our goal is to establish a worldwide network of Art and Cultural Property lawyers with information and discussion links to relevant NGOs, institutes of art law, and governmental organisations.

IBA Communications Law Committee

The Communications Law Committee is a leading global forum for legal practitioners with specialist expertise or interest in the communications sector. The Committee offers members access to a worldwide network of leading practitioners, in-house counsel and regulators active in digital, communications and media markets. We encourage the sharing of sectoral expertise through regular publication of articles, periodic issues of our technical journal, the annual committee conference hosted jointly with IBA Antitrust Section, and specialised sessions at the IBA Annual Conference. The scope of the Committee's work covers network, service and content-related developments across all delivery platforms. This provides members with access to practical global perspectives on the array of technological, commercial and policy issues which confront communications lawyers, their companies and clients.

IBA Intellectual Property and Entertainment Law Committee

The main areas are patents, trade marks, copyright, trade secrets and unfair competition. Allied to these are a number of related areas including data protection, database protection, privacy, design rights, domain names and the like.

In the entertainment law area the key focus is on the creation, provision and delivery of content in relation to print, films, broadcasts, cable programmes, musical works and sound recordings. There is also involvement with media law including defamation and privacy and authors' rights in a more general sense.

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IBA Media Law Committee

The Media Law Committee focuses on sharing knowledge among members and stakeholders on legal matters related to the media industry. This includes both content and communication, which has become increasingly international due to global media networks. As media law expands beyond print, radio, and TV to new media such as e-commerce, the committee fosters cooperation with journalists and other media professionals. We regularly address legal developments through programs at the IBA Annual Conference and newsletters, reflecting the evolving nature of media law in a globalised world.

IBA Space Law Committee

The Space Law Committee provides a forum for outer space lawyers to address the increasing number of practical legal issues arising in commercial and regulatory activities in this specialised area of domestic and international law.

IBA Technology Law Committee

The Technology Law Committee brings together lawyers addressing the evolving legal challenges of modern technologies. The Committee's mandate covers a wide range of tech-related areas, supported by eight subcommittees: AI and Robotics, Data Law, Technology Disputes, Fintech, Life Sciences, Outsourcing and Managed Services, Platforms, E-commerce & Social Media and Cybersecurity.

Each subcommittee focuses on specific issues, such as intellectual property, data protection, financial regulation, medical technologies, and cybersecurity, helping professionals navigate the complex legal landscape of emerging technologies.

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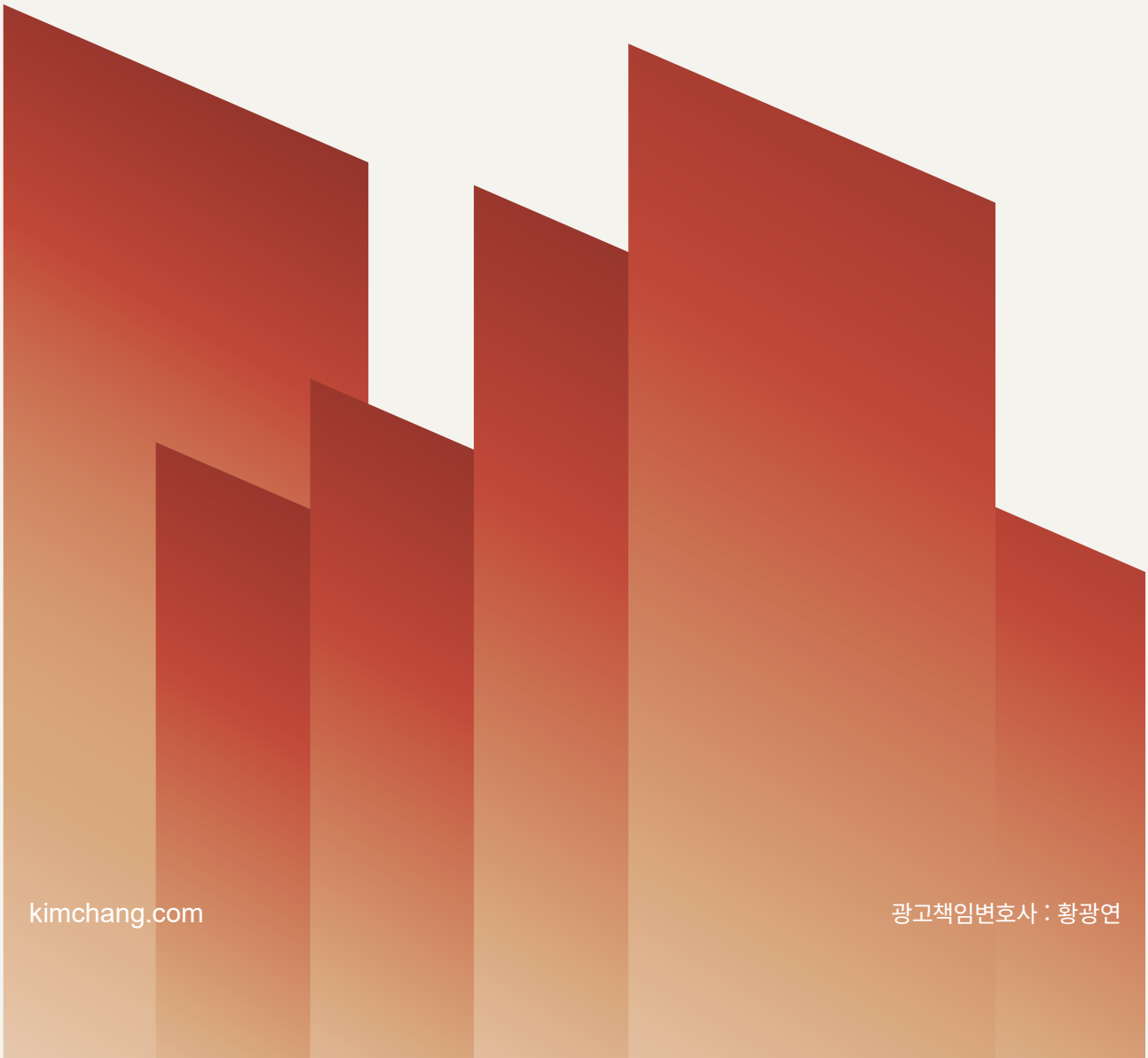
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