A conference presented by the IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum, supported by the IBA Litigation Committee

Litigating in the Asia Pacific Region

1–2 September 2022
Swissotel The Stamford, and Supreme Court of Singapore Auditorium, Singapore

Topics include:

- Tracing the Influence of Western Jurisprudence in Asian jurisdictions
- Technological advances – the Asian experience
- Evidence – obligations and implications
- Global disputes: managing fraud, corruption and white-collar crime claims
- International commercial courts: the response to globalisation
- Mock case management conference and hearing before the Singapore International Commercial Court: Appellate Advocacy in Asia

No. of Public CPD Points: 6.0 (Day 1); 3.0 (Day 2)
Practice Area: Civil Procedure
Training Level: General

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Participants who wish to claim CPD Points must comply strictly with the Attendance Policy set out in the CPD Guidelines. For this activity, participants are reminded to sign in on arrival and sign out at the conclusion of each day of the event in the manner required by the organiser. Participants must not be absent from each day of the event for more than 15 minutes. Participants who attend Day 1 and comply strictly with the Attendance Policy on that day may obtain 6 Public CPD Points. Participants who attend Day 2 and comply strictly with the Attendance Policy on that day may obtain 3 Public CPD Points. Participants who do not comply with the Attendance Policy on any particular day of the event will not be able to obtain CPD Points for that day. Please refer to http://www.sileCPDcentre.sg for more information.

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Programme

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Preetha Pillai  Skrine, Kuala Lumpur; Vice Chair, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum
Winnie Tam SC  Des Voeux Chambers, Hong Kong SAR, Litigation Liaison Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum

Thursday  1 September

0800 − 1700  Registration

0845 − 0900  Welcome remarks
Peter Bartlett  MinterEllison, Melbourne, Victoria; Chair, IBA Legal Practice Division

0900 − 0920  Keynote speech
Edwin Tong SC  Minister for Culture, Community and Youth and Second Minister for Law

0920 – 0945  Q&A with Edwin Tong SC

0945– 1115  Tracing the Influence of Western Jurisprudence in Asian jurisdicons
How has the jurisprudence of Asian jurisdictions shaped up since they broke free of their former colonial masters? This session explores the changes in influence of western jurisprudence in major jurisdictions in the Asia Pacific region, and the trends of development as former colonies found their own respective paths, including the treatment by courts of western precedents and its implications on litigation practice.

Moderator
Winnie Tam SC  Des Voeux Chambers, Hong Kong SAR; Litigation Liaison Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum

Panellists
Tony Budidjaja  Budidjaja International Lawyers, Jakarta
Stuart Isaacs QC  Stuart Isaacs Chambers, Singapore
Justice Datuk Nallini Pathmanathan FCJ  Federal Court of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur
The Hon Mr Justice Robert Tang NPJ  Court of Final Appeal, Hong Kong SAR

1115 – 1130  Coffee/tea break

1130 – 1230  Technological advances – the Asian experience
This session will discuss various technological advances with reference to:
• developments in information technology pertaining to the conduct of trials and hearing before national courts;
• the use of artificial intelligence; and
• the introduction of pilot schemes within national courts and law firms across numerous jurisdictions in Asia aimed at expediting the dispute resolution process.

This session will also focus on the use of technology in day-to-day court proceedings in specialist courts and specific industry related disputes.

Moderator
Nish Shetty  Clifford Chance, Singapore

Panellists
Aditya Mehta  Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas, Mumbai, Maharashtra
Tania Sourdin  University of Newcastle Law School, Newcastle, New South Wales
Gregory Vijayendran SC  Rajah & Tann, Singapore
Nik Yeo  Fountain Court Chambers, London

1230 – 1400  Lunch

1400 – 1500  Evidence: obligations and implications
The panel members will discuss the differences in approach to the discovery and inclusion of evidence at trial considering the differing civil and common law systems operating across several jurisdictions in Asia and the obligations arising thereunder. The panel members will also discuss the implications of these different obligations in a cross border, multi-jurisdictional litigation. This session will also cover the considerations relating to securing the necessary witnesses to admit documents and the preparation of witness statements in general, particularly in this age of virtual hearings.

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Thursday continued

Moderator
Preetha Pillai  Skrine, Kuala Lumpur; Vice Chair, IBA Asia Pacific
Regional Forum

Panellists
Christina Yi Kang  Hughes Hubbard & Reed, New York City,
New York
Reshmi Khurana  Kroll, Singapore
Ji Woong Lim  Lee & Ko, Seoul
Ben Upton  Simpson Grieson, Auckland

1500 – 1520  Coffee/tea break

1520 – 1730  Global disputes: managing fraud, corruption and
white-collar crime claims
In this session, panel members will share their experiences of
managing and litigating cross-border disputes, and will discuss
fraud, corruption and white-collar crime. The panel members will
explore:
• how to identify appropriate counsel in different jurisdictions;
• how to ensure a harmonious litigation strategy; and
• how to combat a minefield of different related disputes,
including addressing jurisdictional issues, securing worldwide
Mareva injunctions, tracing orders, seeking or opposing
extradition requests, expropriation of assets or investments, as
well as commencing related or secondary litigation claims or
investment treaty claims.

Moderators
Alexandra Rose  Clayton Utz, Sydney, New South Wales
Siraj Omar SC  Drew & Napier, Singapore

Panellists
Tan Sri Dato’ Cecil Abraham  Cecil Abraham & Partners, Kuala
Lumpur
Anuj Berry  Trilegal, New Delhi, Delhi
Jason Chan SC  Allen & Gledhill, Singapore
Neerav Merchant  Majmudar & Partners, Mumbai, Maharashtra;
Regional Representative Asia General, IBA Litigation Committee
Clare Montgomery QC  Matrix Chambers, London
Rohan Sankey  Malaysian Resources Corporation Berhad, Kuala
Lumpur

1900 – 2200  Conference dinner
Raffles Hotel Singapore

Guest of honour and dinner keynote speaker
Indranee Rajah SC  Minister in the Prime Minister's Office,
Second Minister for Finance and Second Minister for National
Development, Singapore

Continuing Professional Development / Continuing Legal Education
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0830 – 1230  Registration

0900 – 1000  International Commercial Courts: The response to globalisation

This session will explore the need, and potential requirements, for an international commercial court in Asia. The panel members will discuss the work of the Singapore International Commercial Court, the China International Commercial Court, the Dubai International Commercial Court, and the Qatar International Court to assess their development since inception and analyse their importance in the global marketplace. In addition, the panel members will discuss recent developments of other commercial courts across Europe and the Middle East with the aim to ascertain how effective these commercial courts have been in managing and resolving global disputes.

Moderator
Peter Bartlett  MinterEllison, Melbourne, Victoria; Chair, IBA Legal Practice Division
Wendy Lin  WongPartnership, Singapore

Panelists
Eunice Chua  Singapore Management University, Singapore
Justice Robert French  Judge of the Singapore International Commercial Court, Singapore
Justice Quentin Loh  Judge of the Supreme Court of Singapore, Singapore
Justice Ali Malek QC  Judge of the Qatar International Court, Doha
Justice Xi Xiangyang  Judge of the China International Commercial Court of the Supreme People’s Court of PRC, Beijing

1030 – 1230  Mock Case Management Conference and Hearing before the Singapore International Commercial Court: Advocacy in Asia

A showcase session where a moot problem will be presented before a panel of eminent judges from the Singapore International Commercial Court. Counsel will address the court in a case management conference and a hearing. This session will highlight the unique features of the newly launched Singapore International Commercial Court Rules 2021. Special skills, relating to the art of persuasion and the ability to identify key legal and factual issues will be demonstrated.

Panel of Judges of the SICC
Counsel for the Appellant
Marina Chin SC  Tan Kok Quan Partnership, Singapore
Gerald Tay  Drew & Napier, Singapore
Counsels for the Respondent
Chan Leng Sun SC  Duxton Hill Chambers, Singapore
Rachel Low  Rachel Low LLC, Singapore

1230 – 1245  Closing remarks
Dinesh Dhillon  Allen & Gledhill, Singapore; Treasurer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum

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Information

Date
1–2 September 2022

Venue
Thursday programme
Swissotel The Stamford, Singapore
2 Stamford Rd
Singapore 178882
Tel: +65 6338 8585
Website: https://www.swissotel.com/hotels/singapore-stamford/

Friday programme
Supreme Court of Singapore Auditorium
1 Supreme Ct Ln, Singapore 178879

Language
All working sessions and conference materials will be in English.

How to register
Register online by 26 August at www.ibanet.org/conference-details/CONF2148 and make payment by credit card, to avail of the online registration discount or complete the attached registration form and return it to Maria Chew at the IBA together with your bank transfer / cheque payment. You should receive emailed confirmation of your registration within five days; if you do not then please contact Maria Chew at maria.chew@int-bar.org.

For the protection of all delegates, to attend the conference, you will need to provide evidence acceptable to the IBA and if required, to the relevant host country authorities that shows:

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By registering for the conference you agree to the following delegate code of conduct, the host country’s local and/or national requirements and venues restrictions and precautions:

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• Should you develop any Covid symptoms during your attendance at the conference you inform a member of IBA staff by email (confs@int-bar.org) and you agree not to attend any further conference sessions or related events
• comply with all local and national restrictions
• You travel at your own risk and you agree that the IBA cannot be held responsible if you contract Covid during the conference or after returning from the conference
• You agree to the extent permitted by law that you shall not hold IBA responsible for: any travel costs incurred for travelling to and from the conference; any travel costs that may be irrecoverable due to the cancellation or postponement of the conference; any losses or liabilities associated with contracting Covid whether on the way to, during or after the conference.

Fees

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* 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:
1) Password access to certain parts of the IBA website.
2) Receipt of IBA E-news and access to online versions of IBA Global Insight.
3) Pay the member rate for any subsequent conference registrations for this calendar year.
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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.

Full payment must be received in order to process your registration.

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 26 August.
• Access to live delegate search
• Lunch on Thursday
• Conference dinner on Thursday
• Tea and coffee during breaks

Please note that registrations are not transferable.

List of participants
In order for your name to appear in the list of participants, which will be distributed at the conference, your registration form must be received by 26 August at the latest.

Live delegate search
Delegates are able to use the live delegate search via the IBA website,
in order to use this function delegates will need to be logged into their MyIBA. This will allow search access to up-to-date attendance lists.

Registration 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 registration via your My IBA profile on the IBA website.

Book with confidence

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Payment of registration fees by bank transfer or BACS payment Registration forms received without proof of payment will NOT be processed until proof of payment has been received.

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SWIFT address NWBKGGB1, IBAN GB55NWBG0730101286498

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If we obtain the benefit of any tax credit or other relief by reference to any such deductions or withholdings, then we shall repay to you such amount as, after such repayment has been made, will leave us in no worse position than we would have been had no such deductions or withholdings been required.

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If cancellation is received in writing at the IBA office by 29 July, fees will be refunded less a 25 per cent administration charge. Refunds will be made minus any monies owed to the IBA.

We regret that no refunds can be made after this date. Registrations or social function bookings received after 29 July will not be eligible for any refund of fees. Please note that the IBA will however offer a full refund if you are required to cancel your registration due to Covid related reasons; we will require written confirmation of your cancellation by the end of business on the first day of the conference.

Should you have difficulties in obtaining your visa and are not able to attend the Conference this cancellation policy will still apply.

Upon submission of your completed Conference registration form to the IBA you are considered ‘registered’ pending payment. Please note that the cancellation terms and conditions as indicated will apply as soon as your registration is received.

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Travel arrangements and visas

Participants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements.
It is recommended that you check your visa requirements with your local embassy or consulate. We are unable to dispatch visa invitation letters to support your visa application prior to receipt of your registration form and full payment of registration fees.

Please apply for your visa in good time.
Hotel accommodation
A limited number of rooms have been reserved at the Swissotel The Stamford, Singapore for the nights of 28 August - 5 September 2022.

Swissotel The Stamford, Singapore
2 Stamford Road, 178882 Singapore
Tel: +65 6338 8585
Email: singapore-stamford@swissotel.com

The following rates are per room, per night and inclusive of breakfast and internet.

- Single Premier Room: SG$310++
- Double Premier Room: SG$340++

Please use the following hotel website link to make your reservation: https://www.idem.events/r/international-bar-association-conference-ae7fa6ea. The hotel requires a credit card number to secure your reservation.

Please note that any reservation made after 1 August 2022 will be subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed at the special IBA rate.

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

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Swissotel The Stamford
Conference hotel

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Social functions
Thursday conference dinner
☐ I will attend ☐ I will not attend NIL
One place per registered delegate is permitted.

TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE US$
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