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Wednesday 22 February

1800 – 2030 **Registration**

This event is open to all delegates and registered guests, please indicate attendance during registration.

1830 – 2030 **Welcome reception**

Art di Daniele Sperindio

National Gallery

1 St Andrews Road

Singapore 178957

Thursday 23 February

0800 – 1700 **Registration**

international commercial courts

Keynote speaker

The Honourable Chief Justice Sundaresh Menon *Supreme Court of Singapore, Singapore*

0900 – 0920 **Opening remark**

Dinesh Dhillon *Allen & Gledhill, Singapore; Vice Chair, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Welcome video from the IBA President

Almudena Arpón de Mendivil *Gomez Acebo & Pombo, Madrid; President, International Bar Association*

Welcome remark

Ramesh Vaidyanathan *Advaya Legal, Mumbai, Maharashtra; Co-Chair, IBA Asia-Pacific Regional Forum*

1000 – 1030 **Coffee/tea break**

1030 – 1215 **Plenary session**

ESG, SDGs and sustainability for law firms in Asia Pacific

Economic, social and governance (ESG) issues are expanding beyond measure and triggering impact across various industries and interests, from consumption patterns to investment decisions, as awareness and participation in ESG and UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) increase at the corporate and country level and, in particular, as financial institutions strengthen evaluation of ESG-friendly practices as a core value in investment

0920 – 1000 **Keynote address**

Dispute resolution at the intersection of domestic and transnational justice systems: the case for

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Law firms, as advisors to companies on issues such as compliance and ethical behaviour, are also required to actively participate in ESG and SDGs, not only as a practice area, but also as active participants themselves in expanding various ESG-related efforts. This includes increased transparency in governance, as well as environmental sustainability, diversity and inclusion, respect for human rights, eco-friendly practices and resource conservation.

In this plenary session, a roundtable discussion will be held with senior partners of law firms in various jurisdictions, including the Asia Pacific region, on what activities or efforts are being made by law firms in relation to ESG/SDGs and the challenges and difficulties they face in the process.

Session Co-Chairs

Clare Corke *Corrs Chambers Westgarth, Brisbane, Queensland; IBA Legal Practice Division (LPD) Council Member*

Sky Yang *Bae Kim & Lee, Seoul; IBA Legal Practice Division (LPD) Council Member*

Panellists

Herry Cho *Managing Director, Head of Sustainability and Sustainable Finance, Singapore Exchange, Singapore*

Peter Godwin *Herbert Smith Freehills, Kuala Lumpur*

Sarah Leonard *Lynas Rare Earths, Perth, Western Australia*

Wai King Ng *WongPartnership, Singapore*

Patricia Tan Openshaw *Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, Hong Kong SAR*

1215 – 1345 **Lunch**

1220 – 1250 **Asia Pacific Regional Forum open business meeting**

An open meeting of the Asia Pacific Regional Forum held to discuss matters of interest and future activities.

1345 – 1515 **Concurrent session 1A**

Welcome to the regulatory club – digital assets to get a warm welcome

As digital assets in all their various forms move toward adolescence and experience another winter of adjustment, we can expect to see the regulators waiting as they emerge from the frost. The Financial Stability Board (FSB) acting on behalf of the G20 have moved digital assets to the top of their reform agenda and we are likely to see a more concerted effort to align their proposals locally. The effect of this will be greater harmonisation and consistency across regulatory and supervisory approaches for both crypto-assets and stablecoins with a careful watch of other instruments and platforms which need to fall within the regulatory

net. Join us for a discussion across a diverse panel of experts as we hear from practitioners and players on the impact of these changes and how this is likely to shape the next phase of the digital asset evolution and how we are likely to see these assets being adopted institutionally.

Session Chair

Matt O'Callaghan *Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Hong Kong SAR*

Panellists

Irfan Ahmad *State Street Digital, Singapore*

Alipak Banerjee *Nishith Desai Associates, New Delhi, Delhi*

Reina Chan *Drift Trade, Melbourne, Victoria*

Karen Tiah *Allen & Gledhill, Singapore*

1345 – 1515 **Concurrent session 1B**

Asset recovery on a global scale – judgments, awards and everything in between

The recoverability of assets is undoubtedly an important step following the release of a monetary judgment or award. In this session, the panellists will explore issues pertinent to the recovery of assets globally and in particular:

- the management of inter-jurisdictional issues in a global asset recovery strategy;
- a comparative analysis of the enforcement of arbitral awards, mediated settlements and court judgments (including the judgments of international courts such as the UK Commercial Courts, the China International Commercial Court, the Dubai International Financial Centre and the Singapore International Commercial Court);
- the enforceability of decisions against sovereign states (including the immunity of sovereign wealth funds and their underlying assets); and
- everything 'in between', including asset tracing and investigations and the possibility of third-party funding.

Session Co-Chair

Dinesh Dhillon *Allen & Gledhill, Singapore; Vice Chair, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Vivek Kathpalia *Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas, Singapore*

Panellists

Lucas Bastin KC *Essex Court Chambers, London*

John Han *Kobre & Kim, Hong Kong SAR*

Hangil Lee *Bae Kim & Lee, Seoul*

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1515 – 1545 **Coffee/tea break**

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1545 – 1715 Concurrent session 2A

Genetic information, biometric data and facial recognition – what does the future of privacy look like?

We're generating biological data like never before. Your phone probably unlocks with Face ID, can tell your body fat percentage, and tracks the number of steps you walk, your blood pressure and your REM sleep cycles. If you step out for a morning jog in any dense city, odds are someone can retrace your steps through vast public surveillance projects, and profile your gait and fitness. The increasing sophistication of technology challenges our privacy. This session intends to examine the impact of emerging trends in genetic information, biometric data, facial recognition and similar human biology-based technologies on the individual right to privacy.

Session Chair

Sun Hee Kim *Yulchon, Seoul; Treasurer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Panellists

Harpreet Kaur Dhillon *APAC Litigation Counsel, Paypal, Singapore*

Ti-Ting Lee *Assistant Commissioner, Personal Data Protection Commission, Singapore*

Vikram Jeet Singh *BTG Legal Services, Mumbai, Maharashtra*

Michael Swinson *King & Wood Mallesons, Melbourne, Victoria*

1545 – 1715 Concurrent session 2B

Role of corporate counsel in managing cross-border litigation and arbitration disputes

This session will explore the dynamic relationship between in-house counsel and external counsel when managing high stakes disputes. What makes for a successful relationship and seamless teamwork? What are the pain points? What does one need from the other the most for optimum synergy? In this robust session we will hear honest, no holds barred views from the panellists on what works and what doesn't.

Session Co-Chairs

Satyajit Gupta *EXL Service, New Delhi, Delhi; Secretary, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Preetha Pillai *Skrine, Kuala Lumpur; Co-Chair, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Panellists

James Berger *DLA Piper, New York City, New York*

Gerald Kuppusamy *Senior Legal Counsel, Standard Chartered Bank, Singapore*

Jayne Kuriakose *Head of Disputes & Litigation (Asia), DXC Technology, Singapore*

Saqeb Mahbub *Mahbub & Co, Bangladesh*

Koh Swee Yen SC *WongPartnership, Singapore*

1900 – 2200 Conference dinner

CHIJMES Hall

30 Victoria Street

Singapore 187996

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Exhibitors



0730 – 1730 **Registration**

0800 – 0915 **Women lawyers' networking breakfast**
Jovina Ang *Director, Communicato, Singapore*

0930 – 1100 **Concurrent session 3A**

Legal and policy issues in the use of economic sanctions

In reaction to dramatic changes in the geopolitical landscape around the world, we have been seeing dynamic changes in the legal regime of economic sanctions and export/import controls. International trades have become much more complicated, and companies need to closely follow those rapidly and dynamically changing restrictions imposed by various jurisdictions concurrently. This session will discuss impact and implication for the Asia Pacific region and beyond, focusing on recent changes of economic sanctions and export/import controls.

The topics will include:

- recent dynamic changes of economic sanctions and export/import controls for various jurisdictions;
- background reasons for those drastic changes, including current situation of international trade agreements;
- impact and implication of those economic sanctions and export/import controls in Asia Pacific region and beyond;
- counter measures taken by the sanctioned countries (such as blocking rules) and the impact;
- countries caught in the middle – dilemma to comply with conflicting laws at the same time; and
- what to expect in the near future on economic sanctions and export/import controls in the Asia Pacific Region.

Session Co-Chairs

Kala Anandarajah *Rajah & Tann, Singapore*

Hideaki Roy Umetsu *Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, Tokyo;*
Commissioner, IBA Future of Legal Services Commission

Panellists

Jeonghye Sophie Ahn *Yulchon, Seoul*

Kapil Kirpalani *Chief Compliance Officer, KKR, Hong Kong SAR*

Meredith Rathbone *Steptoe & Johnson, Washington, DC*

0930 – 1100 **Concurrent session 3B**

Navigating dispute resolution clauses

Is arbitration still the first choice or is the trend changing with tiered dispute resolution clauses replacing arbitration clauses? What is the judicial view taken on enforceability of tiered dispute resolution clauses and how to draft such clause? What about the latest developments in mediation? Any interesting judicial decisions regarding dispute resolution clauses rendered by courts of various Asia Pacific countries?

In this session, panellists from jurisdictions of Australia, India, Hong Kong, Korea and Singapore will explore recent practices and share their experiences and observations on this topic with the attendees.

Session Chair

Ila Kapoor *Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co, New Delhi, Delhi*

Panellists

Darius Chan *Singapore Management University, Singapore*

Arush Khanna *Numen Law Offices, New Delhi, Delhi; Asia Pacific Regional Forum Liaison Officer, IBA Young Lawyers' Committee*

Amanda Lees *King & Wood Mallesons, Singapore*

Harold Noh *Kim & Chang, Seoul*

1100 – 1115 **Coffee/tea break**

1115 – 1245 **Concurrent session 4A**

Distressed debt opportunities in the Asia Pacific

As the M&A market regularises from last year's lofty heights, the availability of credit in Asia Pacific markets is becoming constrained leading to opportunities in the non-performing loans (NPL) sector. In this session we explore how the NPL market is likely to play out in 2023 and discuss the following key issues:

- impact of the slow-down in the Chinese property market;
- developments in creditors' schemes of arrangement in Singapore and Australia;
- key sectors and markets for NPLs;
- the role of private debt funds for this sector; and
- opportunities in emerging markets.

Session Chair

Ben Smith *MinterEllison, Sydney, New South Wales; Young Lawyers' Committee Liaison Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Panellists

Blossom Hing *Drew & Napier, Singapore*

Dai Katagiri *Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, Tokyo*

Chris Kim *Bae Kim & Lee, Seoul*

Johannes Raschke *Senior Investment Officer, International Finance Corporation, Singapore*

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1115 – 1245 **Concurrent session 4B**

Current developments in M&A and FDI in the Asia Pacific region

M&A activity reached record levels in the Asia Pacific region last year, accompanied by a significant rise in cross border deals. While M&A momentum remains strong, this year has also brought major geopolitical and financial headwinds, which, in addition to post-pandemic changes, have resulted in additional complexity and challenges for M&A and foreign direct investment (FDI). This session will explore recent M&A and FDI trends across several Asia Pacific jurisdictions and discuss how lawyers and their clients can respond and adapt to such trends. The session will present case studies of multi-jurisdictional M&A deals and invite audience input through live polls and other interactive features.

Session Co-Chairs

Patricia T Ngochua *Tayag & Ngochua, Makati City; Membership Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Jong Kwon Ryoo *Yulchon, Seoul*

Panellists

Lee Won Chen *Rahmat Lim & Partners, Kuala Lumpur; Newsletter Editor, IBA Corporate and M&A Law Committee*

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Penny Martin *Three Crowns, Singapore*

Alfa Setiawati *ATD Law, Jakarta*

Takashi Toichi *TMI Associates, Tokyo; Education Officer, IBA Corporate and M&A Law Committee*

1245 – 1400 **Lunch session**

General counsels on ESG

The general counsel has long been seen as the guardian of an organisation's values. In the case of ESG it is both guide and guardian as so many are grappling with how best to implement ESG goals. Join our diverse panel as we explore what it means to make ESG goals a reality and the role of business in helping humanity face this existential challenge.

Session Chair

Sophie Mathur *Linklaters, Singapore*

Panellists

Chris Flosi *General Counsel, Northstar, Singapore*

Steven Okun *Founder & CEO APAC Advisors, Singapore*

Sim Ting *General Counsel, GenZero, Singapore*

1400 – 1530 **Concurrent session 5A**

CPTPP, RCEP and IPEF: making sense of the alphabet soup of Asian trade agreements

In view of the increasing difficulties of negotiating trade agreements on a multilateral basis, more countries – especially those in Asia – have instead turned to regional trade agreements in order to negotiate new rules to liberalise trade. The three leading trade agreements in the Asia Pacific region are the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership ('CPTPP'), the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership ('RCEP') and the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework

('IPEF'). These agreements are in different stages of negotiation and implementation, and each offers unique benefits to the countries that are party to them, and to companies operating in those countries. Counsel should be aware of the pros and cons of each, and how these agreements can be used to the best advantage of clients operating in the region.

Session Chair

Eric Emerson *Steptoe, Washington, DC*

Panellists

Ilham Satria Bustami *Regulatory & Government Affairs Specialist, FedEx, Jakarta*

Jeena Kim *Bae, Kim & Lee, Seoul*

Chris Quinlivan *Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs, US Embassy, Singapore*

Charles Zhan *Moulis Legal, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory; Special Projects Officer, IBA International Trade and Customs Law Committee*

1400 – 1530 **Concurrent session 5B**

Working with your General Counsel in cross-border M&A transactions – a guide for practitioners

Post-pandemic economic recovery is initiated by more complex cross-border M&A transactions, especially in the Asia Pacific region. Building trustworthy collaboration and maintaining good relationships among private practitioners and in-house counsel should be a matter of importance for the successful deals. The session will present some of the key elements of such cooperative style of business in multi-jurisdictional M&A transactions, which includes:

- establishing clear scope of work and operational expectations upfront;
- ensuring thorough structuring support – anticipating regulatory and procedural challenges and workarounds ahead of time;
- clear risk-identification and mitigation advice;
- providing insights into the workings of local regulators and other third parties relevant to the transaction;
- commercial and practical approaches to meet client requirements and problem solving;
- effective and proactive project management – rallying other service providers;
- ensuring clear business communication and no mixed messages/ crossed wires at all times; and
- life post-closing – ancillary support and follow-up.

Session Co-Chairs

Ashish Razdan *Khaitan & Co, Mumbai, Maharashtra; Newsletter Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Masako Takahata *General Counsel, Industrial Decisions Inc, Tokyo; Webinar Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Panellists

Sharyn Ch'ang *Director, PwC NewLaw, Hong Kong SAR*

Daniel Choo *Associate General Counsel (APAC), Bruker, Singapore*

Nilanjan Sinha *General Counsel, ICICI Bank, Mumbai, Maharashtra*

1530 – 1600 **Coffee/tea break**

1600 – 1730 Concurrent session 6A

Renewable energy, carbon capture, storage and reuse – the way ahead in Asia

The transition of the energy sector from a carbon-dominated value chain to net zero is accelerating globally and particularly in the Asia Pacific. The combination of new energy technologies, changing attitudes to ESG in the business sector and government regulation is creating a new set of opportunities for lawyers in the Asia Pacific region. The speakers from this region will discuss the industrial development trends, related legal issues and opportunities which will cover the following topics:

- development trends of the industry across the region;
- key policy and legal issues that impact the development of the industry; and
- how can lawyers take up the opportunities that this transition presents?

Session Co-Chairs

Nick Dingemans *Penningtons Manches Cooper, Singapore*

Vincent Qian *Dentons Dacheng, Beijing; China Working Group Liaison Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum*

Panellists

Eric Jiang *Jingtian & Gongcheng, Beijing; Webinar Officer, IBA International Trade and Customs Law Committee*

Maree Myerscough *COO & General Counsel, Asia Pacific, Aquila Capital Renewables Asia, Singapore*

Tim Rockell *Managing Director, Energy Strat Asia, Singapore*

1600 – 1730 Concurrent session 6B

Corruption defences in investor– state arbitrations: a case of odious debt?

The occurrence of corruption in foreign investment has pushed corruption to the forefront of investor-state arbitrations and led to the emergence of the state-invoked ‘corruption defence’. This session will first cover what the ‘corruption defence’ is and when is it invoked (such as whether this defence is a jurisdictional issue, admissibility issue or merits issue). Further, the issue of what is, or should be, the standard of proof in cases involving corruption will be discussed. Second, the session will cover under what circumstances, in practice, has the corruption defence been upheld in notable cases. Lastly, the session will discuss from a broader perspective whether (and, if so, how) a host state can be prevented from using its own corruption to its advantage.

Session Co-Chairs

Desmond Ang *Sidley Austin, Hong Kong SAR; Co-Chair, IBA Asia Pacific Arbitration Group*

Gabrielle Kaufmann-Kohler *Geneva University Law School, Geneva*

Panellists

Gabriel Bottini *Uría Menéndez, Madrid*

Kevin Kim *Peter & Kim, Seoul*

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Academics/judges (full-time)	US\$745	US\$1270
Public lawyers	US\$745	US\$1270
Corporate counsel **	US\$890	US\$1270
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Academics/judges (full-time)	US\$825	US\$1415
Public lawyers	US\$825	US\$1415
Corporate counsel **	US\$990	US\$1415
Guest fee***	US\$290	US\$290

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- Conference dinner on Thursday
- Lunch on Thursday and Friday
- Tea and coffee during breaks

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- Conference dinner on Thursday

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Friday Women lawyers' networking breakfast	<input type="checkbox"/> I will attend	<input type="checkbox"/> I will not attend	NIL

One place per registered delegate is permitted.

Guest _____ US\$290 _____ US\$

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Name _____ Country _____

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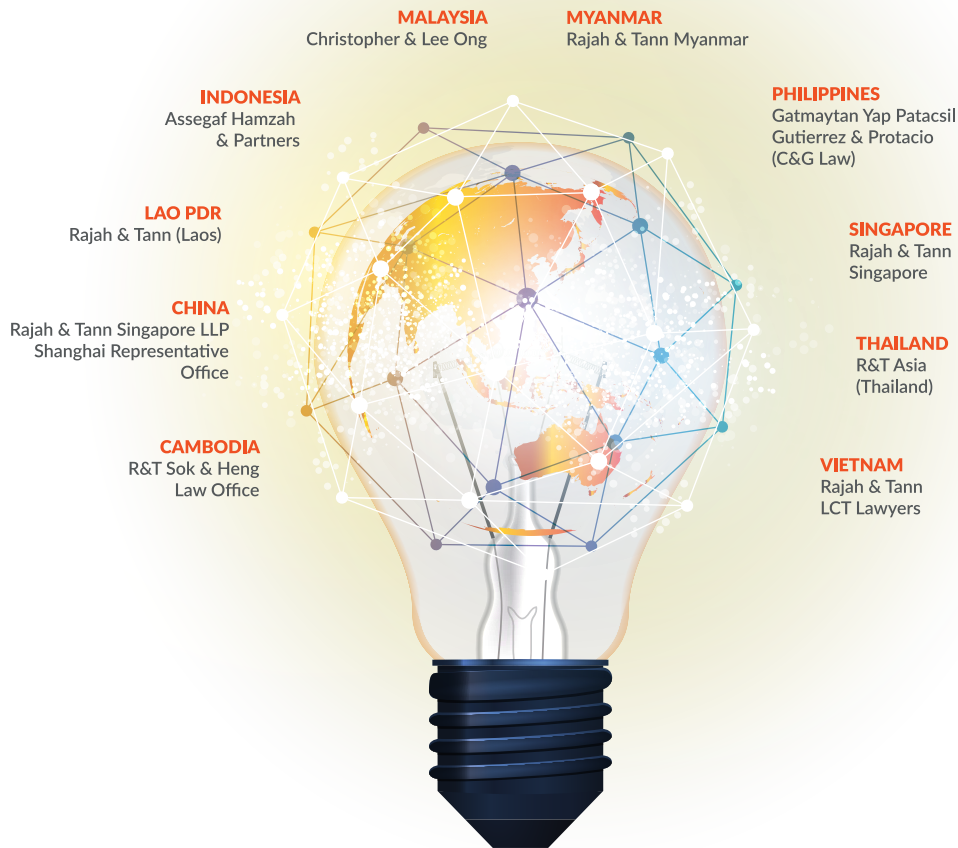
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