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# A review of emerging themes in ADR (2023 version)



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**1 September 2023**  
**Maxwell Chambers, Singapore**

Topics include:

- Developments in litigation
- Developments in arbitration
- Developments in mediation

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Training Level: **General**

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# Programme

## Symposium Co-Chairs

Sheila Ahuja Allen & Overy, Singapore; Website Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum  
Tat Lim Aequitas Law, Singapore; Member, IBA Mediation Committee Advisory Board

## Friday 1 September

### 0830 – 1300 Registration

### 0900 – 0915 Welcome remarks

Sheila Ahuja Allen & Overy, Singapore; Website Officer, IBA Asia Pacific Regional Forum

Daniel del Rio SMPS Legal, Mexico City; Vice Chair, IBA Legal Practice Division

### 0915 – 0945 Opening keynote speech

A keynote speech on the role of the courts in steering the direction of dispute resolution, including the need to reshape the current framework, conflict prevention, and collaborative and non-adversarial resolution of disputes.

#### Speaker

Justice Andre Maniam Supreme Court of Singapore, Singapore

### 0945 – 1035 Developments in litigation

This session will discuss developments in the practice of litigation, including: (i) the landscape of disputes involving new currencies; (ii) disputes that create a conflict between the creditor and the shareholder; and (iii) the funding of disputes

#### Moderator

Nakul Dewan SA Twenty Essex, Singapore

#### Panellists

Eleanor Hughes General Counsel, Binance, Singapore

Quentin Pak Director, Burford Capital, Singapore

Noppramart Thammateeradaycho Tilleke & Gibbins, Bangkok; Vice Chair, IBA Asia Pacific Arbitration Group

Friven Yeoh Sidley, Singapore

### 1035 – 1050 Coffee/tea break

### 1050 – 1140 Developments in arbitration

This session will discuss key arbitration developments in the region, including: (i) the growing recognition of emergency arbitration relief; (ii) the shifting mindset of the courts towards arbitration; and (iii) enforcement and whether it is a procedural or substantive step.

#### Moderator

Lijun Chui Bird & Bird, Singapore

#### Panellists

Rajendra Barot AZB & Partners, Mumbai, Maharashtra

David MacArthur Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Tokyo

Justice L Nageswara Rao 39 Essex Chambers, London

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

### 1140 – 1230 Developments in mediation

This session will discuss developments in mediation, including: (i) the advancement of hybrid dispute resolution processes; (ii) the application of artificial intelligence (AI) in mediation; and (iii) ethics governing lawyers and mediators in a mediation process.

#### Moderator

Tat Lim Aequitas Law, Singapore; Member, IBA Mediation Committee Advisory Board

#### Panellists

Ximena Bustamante PACTUM Dispute Resolution Consulting, Quito; Vice Chair, IBA Mediation Committee

Eunice Chua CEO, FIDReC, Singapore

Dorcas Quek Professor of Law, Singapore Management University, Singapore

Mary Walker OAM 9 Wentworth Chambers, Sydney, New South Wales; Member, IBA Mediation Committee Advisory Board

### 1230 - 1255 Closing keynote speech

#### Speaker

Madam Rahayu Mahzam Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Health and Ministry of Law of Singapore, Singapore

### 1255 – 1300 Closing remarks

Tat Lim Aequitas Law, Singapore; Member, IBA Mediation Committee Advisory Board

### 1300 – 1430 Networking lunch

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## Date

1 September 2023

## Venue

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Singapore 069115

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Website: <https://www.maxwellchambers.com>

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org), including any available speakers' papers submitted to the IBA before 25 August

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- Tea and coffee during breaks

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