

Regional Arbitral Institutes Forum CONFERENCE 2014.

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581 Orchard Rd



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RAIF 2014

Since the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb) hosted the inaugural RAIF Forum in July 2007, RAIF partners have taken turns to host this key feature in the annual arbitration event calendar. SI Arb is pleased to be hosting this 8th RAIF Forum.

The programme features a host of speakers from the participating jurisdictions providing an update on key arbitration developments in their countries, as well on current topics relating to arbitration.

Issues to be discussed include:

- 1) Country Reports – Significant developments in International Arbitration in RAIF Member Countries
- 2) Ethical Concerns – Searching beyond the IBA Guidelines on Conflicts of Interest – A common playing field: fair trade for parties and party representatives
- 3) Going beyond the ICC Guidelines on Time and Costs – What can we really do to address the time and costs of arbitration?
- 4) Looking beyond current developments – The future of the theory and practice of commercial arbitration in the Asia Pacific Region

RAIF 2014 promises to be an important meeting point for arbitration practitioners in the region, as well as anyone interested in the vibrant dispute resolution industry in the region.

We are indeed honoured to have The Honourable Justice Quentin Loh grace the occasion as our Guest-of-Honour.

We very much look forward to seeing you at this year's RAIF Forum.

Mr. Chan Leng Sun SC
President, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators

Mr. Chia Ho Choon
Chairman, Organising Committee

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Arbitrators
- In-house counsel
- Law academics
- Consultants
- Lawyers
- Other users and professionals involved in arbitrations

GUEST OF HONOUR

The Honourable Justice Quentin Loh
Judge, Supreme Court of Singapore



Quentin Loh was appointed a Judicial Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Singapore on 1 September 2009 and a Supreme Court Judge on 1 June 2010. Prior to his joining the Bench, he was the Deputy Managing Partner of Rajah & Tann LLP from December 2003 to 12 August 2009. He was a key member of its international arbitration group as well as head of the Construction & Projects and Insurance and Reinsurance practice groups. Prior to joining Rajah & Tann in 2001 as a member of its Executive Committee, he was Managing Partner of Cooma, Lau & Loh, a firm he co-founded in 1978. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 1999. Until his appointment as a Judicial Commissioner, he was also a director of Maxwell Chambers, a dedicated building for holding arbitrations.

ABOUT RAIF

The RAIF is a regional arbitral organisation founded in 2007 by the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, the Malaysian Institutes of Arbitrators, the Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia, the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators, the BANI Arbitration Centre and the Arbitration Association of Brunei Darussalam.

The RAIF was established to allow its members to collaborate on certain common objectives, including serving the educational and social needs of members of the arbitral institutes, facilitating the exchange and dissemination of information on arbitration and promoting understanding and co-operation between their respective institutes.

Currently the members of RAIF are the national arbitration bodies of the following countries:

1. Australia - Institute of Arbitrators & Mediators Australia (IAMA)
2. Brunei - Arbitration Association of Brunei Darussalam (AABD)
3. Hong Kong - Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators (HKI Arb)
4. Indonesia - Indonesian Arbitrators Institute (IArbi)
5. Malaysia - Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators (MI Arb)
6. Philippines - Philippine Institute of Arbitrators (PI Arb)
7. Singapore - Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb)



Practice Area:
Alternative Dispute Resolution
Training Level: General
CPD Points: 6 public CPD points (TBC)

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0830am - 0900am

**Registration (of Local & Foreign Delegates)
& Refreshments**

0900am - 0910am

Welcome Address

Mr. Chan Leng Sun SC
President, SI Arb

0910am - 0930am

Conference Opening Address by Guest of Honour

The Honourable Justice Quentin Loh
Judge Supreme Court of Singapore

0930am - 0945am

Conference Opening Ceremony

Signing of MOA, photo-taking with and Presentation of Tokens to Guest-of-Honour and Representatives of RAIF Partners

0945am - 1115am

SESSION 1: COUNTRY REPORTS

Significant developments in International Arbitration in RAIF Member Countries

- Opening Remarks by Session Chair
- Presentations by Representatives of RAIF Partners
- Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session moderated by the Session Chair

Session Chair:

Mr. Chan Leng Sun SC - President, SI Arb

Speakers:

- (Yang Amat Mulia) Pengiran Indera Negara Pengiran Anak Dato Haji Puteh - Arbitration Association of Brunei Darussalam (AABD)
- Ms Sylvia Siu - President, Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators (HKI Arb)
- Mr. Anangga W. Roosdiono - Chairman, Indonesian Arbitrators Institute (I ArbI)
- Ms Rowena McNally - National President, Institute of Arbitrators & Mediators Australia (IAMA)
- Mr. Lam Ko Luen - President, Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators (MI Arb)
- Mr. Teodoro Kalaw IV - President, Philippine Institute of Arbitrators (PI Arb)
- Mr. Chan Leng Sun SC - President, SI Arb

1115am - 1130am

Morning Break

1130am - 0100pm

SESSION 2: ETHICAL CONCERNS

Searching beyond the IBA Guidelines on Conflicts of Interest - A common playing field: fair trade for parties and party representatives

- Opening Remarks by Session Chair
- Issues to be Addressed:
 - Independence and impartiality - putting meat on these sacred bones - is party selection inherently incompatible with true independence and impartiality?
 - Repeat appointments - how much is too often?
 - Disclosure - beyond theory to practical reality
 - Whither the call for regulation?
 - Widening the arbitrator pool - what can institutes do beyond training and certification to get its members out into the field?
 - Common ground - ethical standards for parties and party representatives in international arbitration - what arbitration practitioners should or should not do.
- Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session moderated by the Session Chair

Session Chair:

The Honourable Justice Vinodh Coomaraswamy - Judge, Supreme Court of Singapore

Speakers:

- Mr. Peter Chow - Vice President, HK Arb; Partner & Head of IDR/Arbitration (Asia-Pacific) - Squire Sanders, Hong Kong/Singapore
- Prof. Huala Adolf - Board Member, I ArbI
- Speaker from MI Arb
- Mr. Lok Vi Ming SC - President, The Law Society of Singapore; Partner, Rodyk & Davidson LLP

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

0100pm - 0200pm

Lunch

0200pm - 0330pm

SESSION 3: GOING BEYOND THE ICC GUIDELINES ON TIME AND COSTS

What can we really do to address the time and costs of arbitration? (Round Table Panel)

- Opening Remarks by Session Chair
- Issues to be Addressed:
 - Is arbitration too long and too expensive? Should it be quick and cheap? What do parties want? Is there a happy medium?
 - The arbitrator's armory - getting tough - what can arbitrators really do to control time and costs - saving parties from themselves or their counsel: is this the arbitrator's duty?
 - Tailor made - designing processes to save time and cost - an empirical examination reporting from the trenches - what works best - memorial system vs traditional pleadings: too much, too little, too early, too late - cross examination vs witness conferencing - innovating beyond this

Session Chair:

Mr. Michael Hwang SC - Senior Counsel & Arbitrator

Speakers:

- Dr. Colin Ong - President, AABD; Managing Partner, Dr. Colin Ong Legal Services
- Ms Ruth Stackpool-Moore - Managing Counsel, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC)
- Speaker from IAMA
- Ms Sylvia Tee - Director, Arbitration & ADR - International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
- Prof. Datuk Sundra Rajoo - Director, Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRC)
- Mr. Ricardo Ma. P.G. Ongkiko - Executive Vice-President, PI Arb
- Ms Tan Ai Leen - Registrar, Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC)

0330pm - 0345pm

Afternoon Break

0345pm - 0515pm

SESSION 4: LOOKING BEYOND CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS

The future of the theory and practice of commercial arbitration in the Asia Pacific Region

- Opening Remarks by Session Chair
- Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session moderated by the Session Chair

Session Chair:

Prof. Anselmo Reyes - Professor of Legal Practice, Hong Kong University

Speakers:

- Mr. Kanaga Dharmananda SC - Member, Fountain Court
 - Through a Glass Darkly: Future Challenges from inside and out to International Arbitration in the Asia-Pacific Region
- Mr. Leslie Chew SC - Consultant, Litigation Department, Khattar Wong LLP
 - Two is company, three is a crowd? Is there scope for third parties in arbitrations?
- Mr. Andre Yeap SC - Senior Partner, Rajah & Tann LLP

0515pm - 0530pm

Closing Remarks

0530pm - 0630pm

RAIF Council Meeting

0700pm - 1000pm

**Handover to Host of RAIF Conference 2015
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