

# INAUGURAL REGIONAL ARBITRAL INSTITUTES CONFERENCE

12 - 13 July 2007 (Thursday & Friday)

Taurus Room, Level 1, Marina Mandarin Hotel, Singapore

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## Invitation by the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators

Pursuant to Memoranda of Co-operation, fellowship and joint programmes between the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SIArb) with corresponding arbitral institutes in the region, namely the Malaysian Institute of Arbitrators (MIarb), Badan Arbitrase Nasional Indonesia (BANI), the Institute of Arbitrators & Mediators Australia (IAMA), the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators (HKIarb), the Arbitration Association of Brunei Darussalam (AABD) and the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), SIArb is pleased to be hosting this INAUGURAL REGIONAL ARBITRAL INSTITUTES CONFERENCE.

The programme features a host of speakers from the participating jurisdictions on current topics relating to arbitration, and will 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 Judge of Appeal Justice VK Rajah, of the Supreme Court of Singapore, grace our occasion as our Keynote Speaker. We very much look forward to seeing you at this Conference in July 2007.

**Mr. Raymond Chan**  
President, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators

**Mr. Johnny Tan**  
Chairman, Conference Organising Committee

## Conference Programme

12 JULY 2007 - ARBITRATION UPDATES

### MORNING SESSION

#### Welcome Address

Mr. Raymond Chan - President, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators

#### Conference Opening Address by Guest of Honour

Judge of Appeal Justice VK Rajah - Supreme Court of Singapore

#### Conference Opening Ceremony

### SESSION 1: LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK FOR ARBITRATION

■ Opening Remarks by Session Chair

■ Issues to be Addressed:

- Nature and application of legislative framework for arbitration
- Importance Given to Party Autonomy
- Relevance of UNCITRAL Model Law and NY Convention

■ Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session moderated by the Session Chair

#### Session Chair:

Mr. Mohan Pillay - Singapore

#### Speakers:

- Prof. Lawrence Boo - Singapore
- Dr. H Priyatna - Indonesia
- Mr. Samuel Wong - Hong Kong

### AFTERNOON SESSION

### SESSION 2: NATURE & ROLE OF THE TRIBUNAL

■ Opening Remarks by Session Chair

■ Issues to be Addressed:

- Tribunal's attitude towards expert evidence
- Appointment and challenge of Tribunal
- Jurisdiction challenge
- Importance of seat of Arbitration

■ Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session moderated by the Session Chair

#### Session Chair:

Mr. Michael Hwang SC - Singapore

#### Speakers:

- Mr. Lau Hang Chong - Brunei
- Mr. Lok Vi Ming SC - Singapore
- Mr. Tay Yu-Jin - Singapore

### SESSION 3: ROLE OF THE COURTS

■ Opening Remarks by Session Chair

■ Issues to be Addressed:

- Judicial attitudes, extent and nature of judicial intervention in arbitration
- Court's role & attitude towards interim measures, tribunal challenges and challenges to awards
- Anti-suit and anti-arbitration injunctions
- Trends and directions

■ Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session moderated by the Session Chair

#### Session Chair:

Mr. Richard Tan - Singapore

#### Speakers:

- Dato' Cecil Abraham - Malaysia
- Prof. Ian Bailey SC - Australia
- Mr. Sundaresh Menon - Singapore

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## Who Should Attend:

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

## Conference Speakers & Chairs:

- Dato' Cecil Abraham - Malaysia
- Prof. Ian Bailey SC - Australia
- Prof. Lawrence Boo - Singapore
- Dr. Philip Chan - Singapore
- District Judge Leslie Chew - Singapore
- Christopher Chuah - Singapore
- Mohanadass Kanagasabai - Malaysia
- Michael Hwang SC - Singapore
- Justyn Jagger - Singapore
- Lau Hang Chong - Brunei
- Lok Vi Ming SC - Singapore
- Dr. Colin Ong - Brunei
- Naresh Mahtani - Singapore
- Sundaresh Menon - Singapore
- Dr. Anne Netto - Singapore
- Mohan Pillay - Singapore
- Dr. H Priyatna - Indonesia
- Gary Soo - Hong Kong
- Richard Tan - Singapore
- Tay Yu-Jin - Singapore
- Samuel Wong - Hong Kong
- Andre Yeap SC - Singapore

## 13 JULY 2007 - ENFORCEMENT OF AWARDS

## SESSION 4: LEGISLATIVE &amp; PROCEDURAL FRAMEWORK FOR ENFORCEMENT

- Opening Remarks by Session Chair
- Issues to be Addressed:
  - Requirements for a valid award
  - Enforcement procedures for domestic/foreign awards
  - Grounds for challenge and consequences
- Panel Discussion and Question & Answer Session moderated by the Session Chair

## Session Chair:

Dr. Philip Chan - Singapore

## Speakers:

- Mr. Mohanadass Kanagasabai - Malaysia
- Dr. Anne Netto - Singapore
- Mr. Gary Soo - Hong Kong
- Mr. Andre Yeap SC - Singapore

## SESSION 5: PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS TO ASSIST ENFORCEMENT

- Opening Remarks by Session Chair

## ■ Issues to be Addressed:

- Application of NY Convention
- Importance of seat of Arbitration
- Manner in which arbitration conducted
- Application of Rules of natural justice
- Failure by 1 party to participate
- Common problem areas

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

## Session Chair:

Mr. Naresh Mahtani - Singapore

## Speakers:

- District Judge Leslie Chew - Singapore
- Mr. Christopher Chuah - Singapore
- Mr. Justyn Jagger - Singapore
- Dr. Colin Y. C. Ong - Brunei

## Conference Closing

Mr. Raymond Chan - President, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators  
 Mr. Johnny Tan - Chairman, Conference Organising Committee

## Conference Registration

## IMPORTANT:

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Members of SIArb, BANI, HKIARB, IAMA, MIARB, AABD and SIAC		S\$600.00
Non-members		S\$750.00
Full-time Students*		S\$450.00

\*Discounted fees for full time students apply to full time students studying in any country. Limited places are available for such students and will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis at the discretion of the Conference Organising Committee and subject to production of satisfactory evidence of student status.

## DELEGATE DETAILS – Please complete all details

Name (Prof/Dr/Mr/Mrs/Miss/Mdm): \_\_\_\_\_

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## PAYMENT DETAILS

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Cheque payments should be made payable to "Singapore Institute of Arbitrators" & arrive at our office with your completed registration form before the closing date, Thursday, 28 June 2007.

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Cancellation and refunds may be made upon receipt of written notice, less handling fee and bank service charges as follows: notice received on or before 14 June 2007 – 50% refund; notice received after 14 June 2007 – no refund.

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