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In Conversation with Christopher Thomas QC

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THE IN'S AND OUT'S OF INVESTMENT TREATY ARBITRATION RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD



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INTRODUCTION

This talk will provide an overview of the investment treaty arbitration landscape in 2012. It will identify some of the trends in doctrine and discuss how this area of law and practice, nascent twenty years ago, has matured into a complex and rapidly growing field.

The discussion is open to Singapore Government Officials and invited guests only.

FREE ADMISSION Please register by emailing Ms Geraldine Ng at cilnwfg@nus.edu.sg

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