

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION ACADEMY

26 November to 14 December 2012

National University of Singapore Bukit Timah Campus, Singapore



Introduction

International arbitration is growing rapidly in the Asia-Pacific region. The National University of Singapore's Centre for International Law (CIL) and the NUS Faculty of Law have launched the ***Singapore International Arbitration Academy*** (Academy) to provide world-class training to regional government officials, in-house corporate counsel and private practitioners. Over fifty leading arbitration practitioners, judges, and public officials from around the globe have committed to teach an innovative, intensive programme. The Academy will combine theory, skills training, and lectures on key issues of arbitral law and practice, including Investor-State and State-to-State arbitration.

The Academy's student body is intended to be drawn from practitioners, government officials and in-house corporate counsel who deal with international disputes and seek to further develop their knowledge and skills. The Academy invites applications from qualified candidates to attend its inaugural programme from 26 November to 14 December 2012 at the NUS Bukit Timah Campus.

Building Professional Relationships through Learning

The Academy will provide an unparalleled opportunity for representatives of law firms, private corporations, and governments alike to forge lasting and mutually advantageous professional relationships. CIL has invited all ASEAN Member States and other countries in the Asia-Pacific region to enrol at least one government official in the Academy. Participation in the programme is not restricted by region. We are looking for accomplished lawyers and officials from Asia and around the world.

Our 2012 Faculty

Sundaresh MENON, S.C. Judge of Appeal of Singapore's Supreme Court

Steven CHONG, S.C. Attorney-General of Singapore

Justice Quentin LOH, S.C. Judge of Singapore's Supreme Court

Professor S. JAYAKUMAR Former Deputy Prime Minister and Senior Minister of Singapore; Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore

The Right Hon the Lord PHILLIPS of Worth Matravers, K.G. President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom

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Peter TURNER Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP

V.V. VEEDER, Q.C. Essex Court Chambers

Ariel YE King & Wood Mallesons

Our approach to developing the Academy's Programme

The Academy has been designed to provide lawyers and government officials an in-depth exposure to the theory and practice of international arbitration.



Our programme has two unique features. The first is its emphasis on meeting the expectations of the client and those of the tribunal in whose hands the resolution of the dispute will rest. This is a central theme and it will be the subject of a number of practice-oriented sessions where experienced counsel and arbitrators will speak candidly about the arbitral process, arbitrators' likes and dislikes, and counsel's experiences. The second is its treatment of the issues arising from a State's participation in the international arbitral process from the perspective of: (1) a private person that is party to a claim involving a State; (2) a State party to a claim with a private person or another State; and (3) law firm retained either to prosecute a claim against a State or to defend the State's interests.



Participants will be given a set of hypothetical facts during the second week of the programme. Participants will be divided into teams and Practising Counsel will consult with and be instructed by the Government

Officials/Instructing Solicitors. This process will culminate in a full day of Oral Argument to be judged by prominent international arbitrators. Advocacy Prizes will be awarded for the top Oral Submissions.

Specialised Tracks

Applications will be received for enrolment in either of two “tracks”:

1. ***The Practicing Counsel Track*** focuses on the skills and issues relevant to counsel representing clients in an arbitral proceeding
2. ***The Government Advisor/Instructing Solicitor Track*** covers issues such as the selection, instruction and management of external legal counsel

In order to provide the maximum value to participants, admission to the Academy will be restricted to only 60 participants in our first year. Of the 60 participants, 24 will be Practicing Counsel and 36 will be Government Advisors / Instructing Solicitors. Academy participants will also receive complimentary admission to the 3rd Singapore International Investment Arbitration Conference which will be held during the third week of the Academy. ***(To view full programme, please visit www.cil.nus.edu.sg/wp/wp-content/uploads/SIAA-Full-Programme.pdf).***

Registration and Rates

You can register online at www.cil.nus.edu.sg/siaa-2012-application.

Application Deadline: 31 August 2012

S\$3800 nett for Government Officials / Instructing Solicitors

S\$6800 nett for Practice Track Lawyers

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