



CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL LAW
National University of Singapore

ROLE OF THE AGENT IN INTERNATIONAL LAW DISPUTES

7 February 2018, Wednesday

12.00 PM – 6:00 PM

Mandarin Orchard Singapore

The Centre for International Law's Workshop on the **Role of the Agent in International Law Disputes** will bring together government lawyers from the region to explore what works - and does not - when taking on this unique role in a dispute before an international court or tribunal. The Workshop will cover issues around intra-government consultation and coordination, selection of and working with external counsel, case management, evidence gathering and historical research. It will not touch on the substance of any disputes. Speakers will include experienced government lawyers and leading external counsel. It is by invitation only, and the event is held under the Chatham House Rule.

WORKING PROGRAMME*	
TIME	SESSION
12.00-12.30pm	Registration at Ballroom 1 (Level 6) Light Lunch at Grange Ballroom (Level 5)
12.30-12.45pm	Welcome
12.45-2.15pm	<p>SESSION 1: THE ROLE OF THE AGENT</p> <p>Speakers: Mr Bill Campbell QC, <i>Australian Attorney-General's Department</i> Mr Makhdoom Ali Khan, <i>former Attorney-General of Pakistan</i> Ambassador Virachai Plasai, <i>Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations</i> Professor Yukiko Takashiba, <i>Asia Pacific University</i></p> <p>Chair: Ambassador-at-Large Professor Tommy Koh <i>Governing Board of the Centre for International Law</i> Dr Hassan Wirajuda, <i>former Foreign Minister of Indonesia</i></p>
2.15-3.30pm	<p>SESSION 2: EXTERNAL COUNSEL PERSPECTIVE</p> <p>Speakers: Professor Shotaro Hamamoto, <i>Kyoto University</i> Ms Alison Macdonald QC, <i>Matrix Chambers</i> Ms Loretta Malintoppi, <i>39 Essex Chambers</i> Dr Kate Parlett, <i>20 Essex Street</i></p> <p>Chair: Mr Lionel Yee SC, <i>Attorney-General's Chambers, Singapore</i></p>
3.30-4.00pm	Break
4.00-5.30pm	<p>SESSION 3: DISCUSSION AND Q&A</p> <p>Chair: Professor Lucy Reed and Mr J Christopher Thomas QC <i>Centre for International Law</i></p>
5.30-5.35pm	Closing
6.00pm	Dinner for Speakers and Workshop Participants