

**INTERNATIONAL LAW YEAR IN REVIEW
SPEAKERS PROFILES (In alphabetical order of surnames.)**

Anghie

Professor Antony ANGHIE, NUS Faculty of Law



Professor Antony Anghie qualified as a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria and practised law in Melbourne, Australia, before commencing his graduate studies at Harvard Law School, where he earned his SJD degree and was appointed as a Senior Fellow in the Graduate Program. He then taught at the SJ Quinney School of Law, University of Utah, where he served as the Samuel D Thurman Professor of Law. He has been a visiting professor at numerous schools including the American University Cairo, Cornell Law School, the London School of Economics, Harvard Law School and the University of Brasilia. He has served in different capacities on the governing bodies of the Asian Society of International Law since its founding and was a principal organiser of the Society's biennial conference in Beijing in 2011. He delivered the Grotius Lecture at the annual meeting of the American Society of International Law in 2010.

Chesterman

Professor Simon CHESTERMAN, Dean, NUS Faculty of Law



Professor Chesterman is Dean of the National University of Singapore Faculty of Law. He is also Editor of the *Asian Journal of International Law*. Educated in Melbourne, Beijing, Amsterdam and Oxford, Professor Chesterman has teaching experience that includes periods at the Universities of Melbourne, Oxford, Southampton, Columbia and Sciences Po. From 2006 to 2011, he was Global Professor and Director of the New York University (NYU) School of Law Singapore Programme.

Prior to joining NYU, he was Senior Associate at the International Peace Academy and Director of UN Relations at the International Crisis Group in New York. He has previously worked for the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in Yugoslavia and interned at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

Professor Chesterman is the author or editor of 17 books, including *Law and Practice of the United Nations* (with Ian Johnstone and David M Malone, Oxford University Press 2016); *One Nation Under Surveillance* (Oxford University Press 2011); *You, The People* (Oxford University Press 2004); and *Just War or Just Peace?* (Oxford University Press 2001). He is a recognised authority on international law, and his work has opened up new areas of research on conceptions of public authority – including the rules and institutions of global governance, state-building and post-conflict reconstruction, and the changing role of intelligence agencies.

Ambassador Burhan GAFOOR, Singapore's Permanent Representative to the United Nations



Gafoor

Ambassador Burhan Gafoor was appointed Singapore's Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York in August 2016. He joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in August 1988 and last served as Singapore's High Commissioner to Australia (September 2014 to July 2016). Ambassador Gafoor was Ambassador and Chief Negotiator for UN Climate Change (May 2010 to July 2014) and Ambassador to France with concurrent accreditation to Portugal (October 2007 to December 2010). He also served concurrently as Permanent Representative to the World Trade Organization, Permanent Representative to the United Nations in Geneva (September 2004 to August 2007) and as Ambassador to Turkey (October 2004 to January 2006). Ambassador Gafoor was Press Secretary to then-Prime Minister Mr Goh Chok Tong, from August 2002 to August 2004.

Ambassador Gafoor graduated with a Bachelor of Social Science (Honours) degree in political science from the National University of Singapore in 1988. He obtained a Master in Public Administration from the John F Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University in 1997 and an International Diploma in Public Administration from the Ecole Nationale d'Administration in Paris in 2002. Ambassador Gafoor was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Silver) in 2001 and the Public Administration Medal (Gold) in 2013 by the Singapore Government. He was also awarded the Grand Officier de l'Ordre National du Mérite medal by the Government of France in 2011.

Ms Daphne HONG, Director-General, International Affairs Division, Attorney-General's Chambers, Singapore





Hong

Ms Daphne Hong is the Director-General of the International Affairs Division (IAD) of the Attorney-General's Chambers. She started her legal career as a judicial officer in the Singapore Judiciary, first in the State Courts, before joining the Supreme Court as Senior Assistant Registrar.

She moved to IAD in 2006, where she undertook international law advisory and negotiation work covering the entire range of international law issues. She was attached to Singapore's Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York as its legal advisor from September to December 2009. From 2010 to 2015, her focus was on international economic law, encompassing trade and investment law and international intellectual property law. She was the lead counsel for the government in the negotiation of the EU-Singapore Free Trade Agreement. She also led the legal team in Singapore's intervention as a third party in the Tobacco Plain Packing dispute before the WTO.

She was appointed as Director-General of IAD in August 2016. In this role, she is the Legal Adviser of Singapore and heads the legal department that advises the government on all international law matters and represents Singapore in international negotiations and dispute resolution.

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Jayakumar</p>	<p>Professor S JAYAKUMAR, Chairman, International Advisory Panel, NUS Centre for International Law</p>  <p>Professor S Jayakumar was Singapore's former Deputy Prime Minister and Senior Minister. He also served as Minister for Home Affairs, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Minister for Labour and Minister for Law. He was Singapore's Permanent Representative to the United Nations, Singapore's High Commissioner to Canada from 1971 to 1974, and a member of Singapore's delegation to UNCLOS. He has written several books, the most recent being <i>Be at the Table or be On the Menu – A Singapore Memoir</i>, <i>Pedra Branca – The Road to the World Court</i> (together with Professor Tommy Koh) and <i>Diplomacy – A Singapore Experience</i>. Before his political career, he was Dean of the National University of Singapore's Faculty of Law. He now is Chairman of the Law Faculty's Advisory Council and Chairman of the International Advisory Panel of the Centre for International Law.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Koh</p>	<p>Professor Tommy KOH, Ambassador-at-Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore, Chairman, CIL Governing Board, NUS Centre for International Law</p>  <p>Professor Tommy Koh is Ambassador-at-Large at the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chairman of the Centre for International Law, Rector of Tembusu College at the National University of Singapore and Special Adviser of the Institute of Policy Studies. He is the Co-Chairman of the China-Singapore Forum, the India-Singapore Strategic Dialogue and the Japan-Singapore Symposium. Professor Koh was the President of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea and chaired the Preparatory Committee for and the Main Committee at the Earth Summit. He was Singapore's Permanent Representative to the United Nations for 13 years, Ambassador to the United States for 6 years, and the United Nations Secretary General's Special Envoy to Russia, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. He was also Singapore's Chief Negotiator for the US-Singapore Free Trade Agreement and has chaired two dispute panels for the WTO. Professor Koh acted as Singapore's Agent in the case concerning <i>Pedra Branca</i> before the ICJ and in the <i>Land Reclamation</i> case before ITLOS. He is a student of international law and, in particular, on law of the sea. Professor Koh was recently named the recipient of the 2014 Great Negotiator Award (an award given out by an inter-university consortium comprising Harvard University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Tufts University and the Future of Diplomacy Project at Harvard Kennedy School).</p>

<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Kwok</p>	<p>Ambassador KWOK Fook Seng, Singapore’s High Commissioner to Australia</p>  <p>Ambassador Kwok Fook Seng is currently Singapore’s High Commissioner to Australia.</p> <p>Since joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1995, Ambassador Kwok has served in portfolios related to South Asia and Latin America, the United Nations and Southeast Asia, including the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). He was Special Assistant to then-Foreign Minister Professor S Jayakumar in 2001 and was Director-General of Singapore’s ASEAN National Secretariat from 2009 to 2010.</p> <p>From 2011 to 2014, he was Singapore’s Permanent Representative to the WTO and WIPO in Geneva. As Ambassador for Climate Change from 2014 to 2016, he led the team that negotiated and concluded the Paris Agreement at the 21st Conference of Parties of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Paris in December 2015.</p> <p>Ambassador Kwok has a Bachelor of Arts in Communications Studies (Honours) from Murdoch University, Western Australia and a Master of Public Management from the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Loh</p>	<p>Justice Quentin LOH, Supreme Court of Singapore</p>  <p>Justice 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.</p>
<p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">Macdonald</p>	<p>Ms Alison MACDONALD QC, Matrix Chambers</p>  <p>Ms Alison Macdonald QC is a barrister at Matrix Chambers, specialising in public international law, investment arbitration and criminal law. She regularly appears as advocate before international courts and tribunals, acting for States, private entities and individuals, as well as in the English courts on related legal issues. Her criminal practice complements her work in international law, involving international criminal law, financial crime, and extradition. Current and recent litigation includes acting for Mauritius in the pending ICJ Advisory Opinion on the Chagos Archipelago, for Ghana in its maritime boundary claim against Côte d’Ivoire, and for Kazakhstan in an investment claim arising in the mining sector. Current and recent advisory work covers the full range of international law, from treaty succession and diplomatic protection to enforcement of arbitral awards and state immunity. She was previously a fellow of All Souls College, Oxford.</p>

Malintoppi

Ms Loretta MALINTOPPI, 39 Essex Chambers



Ms Loretta Malintoppi recently joined 39 Essex Chambers from the Dispute Resolution Group at Eversheds and is based in Singapore, though she is qualified as a member of both the Paris and Rome Bars. She specialises in international investment arbitration, public international law and commercial arbitration. Ms Malintoppi has acted for 25 years as counsel and advocate in international arbitration and adjudication, including a number of inter-State cases before the ICJ and ad hoc arbitral tribunals. She is currently focusing on her practice as arbitrator and sits in proceedings under a variety of arbitration rules, including ICSID, ICC, UNCITRAL, SIAC, LCIA and DIAC. Ms Malintoppi also continues to advise States and companies in the field of public international law.

McLachlin

The Right Honourable Beverley MCLACHLIN, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada



The Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin spent her formative years in Pincher Creek, Alberta and was educated at the University of Alberta, where she received a BA (Honours) in Philosophy in 1965. She pursued her studies at the University of Alberta and in 1968 received both an MA in Philosophy and an LLB.

She was called to the Alberta Bar in 1969 and to the British Columbia Bar in 1971 and practised law in Alberta and British Columbia. Commencing in 1974, she taught for seven years in the Faculty of Law at the University of British Columbia as a tenured Associate Professor.

Her judicial career began in April 1981 when she was appointed to the Vancouver County Court. In September 1981, she was appointed to the Supreme Court of British Columbia. She was elevated to the British Columbia Court of Appeal in December 1985 and was appointed Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia in September 1988. Seven months later, in April 1989, she was sworn in as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada. On 7 January 2000, she was appointed Chief Justice of Canada. She is the first woman in Canada to hold this position.

In addition to her judicial duties at the Supreme Court, the Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin has chaired the Canadian Judicial Council, the Advisory Council of the Order of Canada and the Board of Governors of the National Judicial Institute. She is the author of numerous articles and publications. She retired on 15 December 2017.

Mohan

Dr Mahdev MOHAN, Singapore Management University



Dr Mahdev Mohan is an Assistant Professor of Law at the Singapore Management University, where he teaches public international law. A former Fulbright Scholar and Bellagio Center Academic Fellow, he is a council member of the Singapore Branch of the International Law Association. Dr Mohan's research has been awarded Stanford University's Carl Mason Franklin Jr Prize for International Law, and Richard S Goldsmith research grant for international dispute resolution. He is on the editorial boards of the *Journal of East Asia and International Law*, *China and WTO Review*, and *Business and Human Rights Journal*. Dr Mohan writes and advises on international law, arbitration and human rights. He is also a Nominated Member of the Parliament of Singapore, a Consultant with Providence Law Asia in Singapore, and an Associate Tenant with Temple Garden Chambers in London.

Judicial Commissioner PANG Khang Chau, Supreme Court of Singapore



Pang

Judicial Commissioner Pang Khang Chau joined the Supreme Court on 1 August 2016.

He joined the Legal Service in 1995 as a State Counsel in the Civil Division of the Attorney-General's Chambers (AGC), where he acted as counsel for the government in various legal proceedings, including in cases before the High Court and the Court of Appeal. In 1998, he was posted to the Ministry of Law as Deputy Director, Legal Policy Division before returning to the AGC in 2002.

Mr Pang was the Director-General of the International Affairs Division of AGC, overseeing a department of lawyers responsible for advising government departments on international law matters and representing the government in international negotiations and international disputes. Mr Pang had been involved in the *Land Reclamation* dispute before the International Tribunal on the Law of the Sea and the *Pedra Branca* dispute before the International Court of Justice. He was also the Deputy Agent for the Government of Singapore in the *Railway Land* arbitration before the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague.

Mr Pang is also the President of the International Law Association (Singapore)

Dr Kate PARLETT, 20 Essex Street



Parlett

Dr Kate Parlett specialises in public international law and international arbitration. She acts for States and private entities on issues including land and maritime boundaries, investment treaty and contract disputes, human rights, law of the sea, State responsibility, treaty obligations, immunities, environmental law, sanctions and international crimes. She also acts for States and private entities in international commercial arbitrations. Dr Parlett regularly appears as advocate before the International Court of Justice. She is currently instructed in four pending cases before the International Court of Justice, concerning land and maritime boundaries, transboundary environmental harm and an impugned obligation to negotiate. Dr Parlett

was appointed to the UK Attorney General's Specialist Public International Law B Panel of Junior Counsel in 2017. In addition, in view of her particular expertise in the law of the sea, she was appointed to the consultant panel for the Commonwealth Secretariat on Oceans and Natural Resources, covering matters including maritime boundary delimitations and joint development zones for natural resources.

Mr Prakash PILLAI, Clyde & Co Clasis Singapore



Mr Prakash Pillai is a partner at Clyde & Co Clasis Singapore. He focuses on dispute resolution and international commercial arbitration across a multitude of sectors including corporate, commercial, trade and commodities, construction and engineering, and employment sectors.

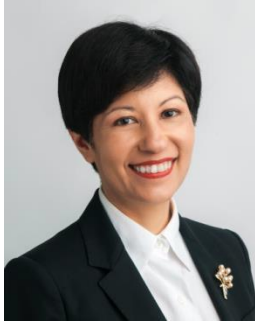
He has appeared before various arbitral tribunals in both ad hoc arbitrations and arbitrations governed by the leading institutional rules. Mr Pillai frequently represents clients in commercial litigation matters before the Singapore Courts, in particular the Singapore High Court and Court of Appeal of Singapore.

Pillai

Mr Pillai is recognised as a leading lawyer for his expertise in international arbitration in leading industry journals such as *Chambers Global*, *Chambers Asia Pacific* and *Global Arbitration Review*. In particular, he is recognised by *Chambers Global* as a foreign expert for India.

Mr Pillai speaks regularly in conferences and seminars focusing on international arbitration. He is the chairman of the Public and International Law Committee of the Law Society and an adjunct Associate Professor at the National University of Singapore's Law faculty, teaching international arbitration law and practice. Mr Pillai is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He is an established legal author and writes and publishes regular articles on arbitration-related issues.

Mr Pillai graduated from Queen Mary College, University of London and further obtained a Master's degree in law from Cambridge University, where he specialised in public international law including investment treaty law. Mr Pillai qualified as a Barrister-at-law at the Middle Temple in London and as an Advocate and Solicitor in Singapore. He has also previously worked in the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs as a Foreign Service Officer. He is also the Honorary Consul of the Republic of Iceland in Singapore.

Ms Indranee RAJAH SC, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law and Finance

Ms Indranee Rajah SC is the Senior Minister of State for Law and Finance.

She was educated at Raffles Institution in Singapore and read law at the National University of Singapore. She was admitted to the Singapore Bar in 1987 and began practice with Freshfields as a legal associate. In 1988, she joined the Litigation Department of Drew & Napier. She was appointed Senior Counsel in 2003 and was the Deputy Head of Drew & Napier's Dispute Resolution Department until October 2012, when she left to join the government. Her practice as a dispute resolution lawyer included cross-border commercial disputes and international arbitration.

Ms Rajah has been the Member of Parliament for the Tanjong Pagar Group Representation Constituency since 2001. She chaired the Government Parliamentary Committee (GPC) for Law and Home Affairs from 2004 to 2006 and the GPC for Defence and Foreign Affairs from 2006 to mid-2009. She was a Deputy Speaker of Parliament from 2006 to 2011.

She was appointed Senior Minister of State for Law and Education on 1 November 2012. Under her law portfolio she co-chaired the Committees on Family Justice and on the formation of the Singapore International Commercial Court with then-Judge of Appeal VK Rajah, the recommendations of which have been accepted and are now in implementation. She is currently co-chairing the committee on Strengthening Singapore as a Restructuring Hub with Judicial Commissioner Mr Kannan Ramesh.

She also chairs the Steering Committee on the strategic direction of Singapore's third law school at UniSIM.

In her education portfolio she led the Committee for Applied Studies in Polytechnics and ITE (ASPIRE). The ASPIRE report resulted in SkillsFuture, a national movement that sets a new direction in aligning education with economic demand, career guidance and lifelong learning.

Following the 2015 General Election, she relinquished her education portfolio and was appointed Senior Minister of State for Finance in conjunction with her Ministry of Law portfolio.

Mr V K RAJAH SC, former Attorney-General of Singapore



Mr V K Rajah SC graduated from the National University of Singapore in 1982 with several prizes for academic merit and subsequently obtained an LLM (First Class) from University of Cambridge in 1986.

He was admitted as an Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore in 1983, and commenced legal practice with Rajah & Tann that same year. He was the Managing Partner of Rajah & Tann from 1987 to 2003, prior to his elevation to the Bench. He was appointed a Senior Counsel in 1997.

He was appointed a Judicial Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Singapore on 2 January 2004 and thereafter a Judge on 1 November 2004. On 11 April 2007, he was appointed a Judge of Appeal. He assumed office as the Attorney-General of the Republic of Singapore on 25 June 2014 and remained there until his retirement on 13 January 2017.

While he was in practice, VK was acknowledged as a leading practitioner in Singapore/Asia in a number of legal journals; Asia Pacific Legal 500 (1998/1999 , 1999/2000, 2000/2001 , 2001/2002, 2002/2003), Global Counsel (2002/2003), Asian Legal Business Legal Who's Who Singapore (2003), AsiaLaw Profiles (1998 -2003), Asia Law Leading Lawyers (1997 - 2003), Euromoney World's Leading Lawyers on Insolvency (2000 /2001), International Financial Law Review 1000 (2001) and IFLR's Guide to the World's Leading Insolvency and Restructuring Lawyers (2003).

He was appointed an Honorary Bencher of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple on 11 November 2014 and appointed a Distinguished Fellow of the Singapore Management University, commencing 15 November 2017. He is a Director of the Monetary Authority of Singapore until October 2020. He is also a member of the Board of Governors of the Asian Business Law Institute.

While on the Bench, he authored more than 200 reported judgments. Currently, he undertakes arbitration work as well as a limited amount of commercial dispute resolution work and mediation.

Rajah

**Professor Lucy REED, Director, NUS Centre for International Law
Professor, NUS Law Faculty**



Professor Lucy Reed joined the Centre and the NUS Law Faculty in 2016 after retiring from the international firm Freshfields, where she headed the international arbitration and public international law groups. She is active as an arbitrator, and served as a Commissioner on the Eritrea-Ethiopia Claims Commission and Co-Director of the Claims Resolution Tribunal for Dormant Accounts in Switzerland. While with the Legal Adviser's Office of the US State Department from 1985 to 1993, Professor Reed served as the US Agent to the Iran-US Claims Tribunal and represented the US in various ICJ cases. From 1995 to 1998, she was General Counsel of the IO Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization, in which capacity she led negotiations with North Korea. Professor Reed, who has published widely on international dispute resolution topics, delivered Hague Lectures on Private International Law in 2001. She was President of the American Society of International Law from 2008 to 2010 and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Reed

Sharma

Mr Haresh SHARMA, The Necessary Stage



Resident Playwright of The Necessary Stage, Mr Haresh Sharma is a recipient of the Cultural Medallion award and the Southeast Asian Writers award.

He has written more than 100 plays, which have been staged in over 20 cities. He was awarded Best Original Script for *Fundamentally Happy*, *Good People* and *Gemuk Girls* at the 2007, 2008 and 2009 Life! Theatre Awards respectively.

His play *Off Centre* was the first Singapore play selected by the Ministry of Education as a literature text for GCE 'N' and 'O' Levels.

Mr Sharma has ten publications of his plays, including *Trilogy*, *Shorts 1*, *Shorts 2* and *Don't Forget to Remember Me*. His works have been translated into Malay, Mandarin, Greek and Italian.

Mr Sharma has participated in the inaugural Singapore Literature Festival in New York, the New Delhi Book World Fair, the Ubud Writers and Readers Festival, and the Hong Kong International Literary Festival. He is the first non-American to be awarded the Goldberg Master Playwright by New York University's Tisch School of the Arts.

In 2017, the Esplanade invited Singapore artists and theatre companies to respond to Mr Sharma's plays as part of The Studios. It was the first time the series has focused on the work of a single playwright.

Thomas

Mr J Christopher THOMAS QC, Head, International Dispute Resolution (Practice Skills), NUS Centre for International Law



Mr J Christopher Thomas QC has acted as counsel or legal advisor in GATT, Canada-US Free Trade Agreement, WTO, and NAFTA disputes, having acted both for private industry interested in the outcome of a particular dispute, and directly for governments (both as complainants and as respondents). He has acted as a Canada-US Free Trade Agreement panellist and a GATT panellist, and argued the first State-to-State dispute to arise under the Canada-US Free Trade Agreement. He has appeared in proceedings before NAFTA and WTO Panels and the WTO Appellate Body. He heads the International Dispute Resolution (Practice Skills) at the Centre for International Law at the National University of Singapore.

Mr Thomas has appeared as counsel in many investor-State disputes and judicial review applications involving investor-State arbitration awards, and has acted as an arbitrator or is currently acting as an arbitrator in many investment treaty claims. He has also acted as an arbitrator, including as presiding arbitrator, in various other arbitral fora, ranging from LCIA commercial arbitration to dispute settlement proceedings under Canada's Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT).

Weeramantry

Dr Romesh WEERAMANTRY, Foreign Legal Consultant, Clifford Chance LLP



Dr Romesh Weeramantry specialises in investment treaty disputes and complex cross-border commercial arbitrations. He has worked at the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal and at the United Nations Compensation Commission, which resolved claims resulting from Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. His publications include *The Hong Kong Arbitration Ordinance: Commentary and Annotations* (2nd edn, Sweet & Maxwell 2015), *Treaty Interpretation in Investment Arbitration* (Oxford University Press 2012) and *International Commercial Arbitration: An Asia-Pacific Perspective* (Cambridge University Press 2011). He is a General Editor of the *Asian Dispute Review*, a General Arbitration Editor of the *Hong Kong White Book* and an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Hong Kong. He also serves on the Editorial Board of the *ICSID Review*, the IBA Subcommittee on Investment Treaty Arbitration, and the Hong Kong Arbitration Charity Ball Committee.

Yeo

Mr Alvin YEO SC, Chairman & Senior Partner, WongPartnership LLP



Mr Alvin YEO, Senior Counsel, is the Chairman & Senior Partner of WongPartnership LLP. He was appointed Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore in 2000 at the age of 37, the youngest ever to be so appointed. His main areas of practice are banking and corporate disputes, restructuring and insolvency, and construction and civil engineering matters. He also has extensive experience in arbitration proceedings both in Singapore and the region.

In 2017, Mr Yeo was honoured with the Outstanding Contribution to the Legal Profession Award from *Chambers Asia-Pacific* in recognition of exceptional work in his field, his continued contribution to the Asian legal arena and for having had a significant and lasting impact on his market, as well as an outstanding lawyer in his own areas of practice.

Chambers Global describes Mr Yeo as 'the most impressive, as an advocate, out of all the Singapore firms'. *Chambers Asia-Pacific* lauded him for providing 'leadership on SIAC and ICC proceedings' and is 'an excellent strategist as well as a first-rate litigator' who is 'deeply impressive and [an] extremely capable individual'. *Who's Who Legal: Arbitration 2017* recognises Mr Yeo as 'a leading light in the market who possesses strong arbitration credentials and experience'.

Mr Yeo graduated from King's College London, University of London and was admitted to the English Bar (Gray's Inn) in 1987 and the Singapore Bar in 1988.

Ms Danielle YEOW, Deputy Director-General, International Affairs Division, Attorney-General's Chambers, Singapore



Yeow

Ms Danielle Yeow provides legal and strategic advice to the Singapore Government including on international trade and investment, law of the sea, environment and human rights issues, and represents Singapore in international negotiations.

Ms Yeow was the lead counsel for Singapore in the TPP negotiations and was formerly the lead negotiator on intellectual property issues in EU-Singapore and TPP negotiations.

Ms Yeow was an advisor to the Singapore Government before the International Tribunal on the Law of the Sea in the *Case Concerning Land Reclamation by Singapore in and around the Straits of Johor (Malaysia v Singapore) Provisional Measures* (2005). She was formerly the Deputy Chief Executive/Deputy Director-General of the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS), where she was responsible for overseeing the administration of the intellectual property systems and legal framework in Singapore, as well as IPOS's domestic and international strategic and policy directions. She was Chair of the General Assembly of Parties of the Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (2009–10) at the WIPO and was also appointed as a WIPO expert on mission. Her previous roles include that of criminal prosecutor, District Judge and law clerk to the Chief Justice of Singapore. She was Singapore's delegate at the 70th UNGA, including the 6th Committee and consultations on the resolution on oceans, law of the sea and sustainable fisheries.

Ms Yeow received her LLB (Honours) from the University of Bristol and obtained her LLM from the University of Cambridge (First Class Distinction). She attended the Stanford-NUS Executive Programme in International Management. She is admitted as an advocate and solicitor to the Supreme Court of Singapore and a Barrister-at-Law (Middle Temple) in England and Wales.