

# International Law Year in Review 2025

The United Nations at 80: Reflections and Projections

22 January 2025, Wednesday, Orchard Hotel Singapore

Time	Sessions
9:00 – 9:10	<p><u><a href="#">OPENING REMARK</a></u></p> <p>Mr. Lionel Yee, Deputy Attorney-General, Attorney General’s Chambers, Singapore, Chairman of CIL’s Governing Board</p> <p>Dr. Nilufer Oral, Director of the Centre for International Law, NUS</p>
9:10 - 9:30	<p><u><a href="#">KEYNOTE ADDRESS</a></u></p> <p><a href="#">Ms Rena Lee</a>, Singapore’s Ambassador for International Law</p> <p>Topic: <b>80 Years of the United Nations and International Law</b></p>
09:30 - 10:30	<p><u><a href="#">PANEL 1   REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION BEFORE COURTS AND TRIBUNALS</a></u></p> <p><b>MODERATOR</b> Professor S Jayakumar, Special Adviser, NUS Centre for International Law</p> <p><b>PANEL</b> (15 mins each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Judge XUE Hanqin, International Court of Justice</li> <li>• Judge Dire Tladi, International Court of Justice</li> <li>• Professor PAIK Jin-Hyun (former ITLOS President), Senior Adviser, Centre for International Law, Korea National Diplomatic Academy</li> </ul> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b> (15 mins)</p>
10:30 - 10:45	COFFEE BREAK

10:45 – 11:45

**PANEL 2 | WAR AND PEACE: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AT INTERNATIONAL COURTS**

**MODERATOR**

Dr. Nilufer Oral, Director of the Centre for International Law, NUS

**PANEL** (15 mins each)

- **Topic: Ukraine – Russia**  
Professor M. Jean-Marc Thouvenin, Professor of International Law at Université Paris Nanterre
- **Topic: Palestine – Israel**  
Professor Phoebe Okowa, ILC Member, Professor of International Law at Queen Mary University of London
- **Topic: Myanmar**  
Dr. Hsien-Li Tan, Associate Professor, NUS

**Q&A** (15 mins)

11:45 - 12:45

**PANEL 3 | INTERNATIONAL LAW RESPONSES TO PLANETARY THREATS**

**MODERATOR**

Dr. Tara Davenport, Assistant Professor, NUS Law

**PANEL** (15 mins each)

- **Topic: ITLOS advisory opinion on climate change and comments on the proceeding before the ICJ**  
Mr. Lionel Yee, Deputy Attorney-General, Attorney General's Chambers, Singapore
- **Topic: Update on pandemic treaty**  
Professor Gian Luca Burci, Adjunct Professor of International Law at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies
- **Topic: AI Law and Sustainability**

	<p>Dr. John Truby, Associate Research Professor in AI and Technology Law, CIL – NUS</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b> (15 mins)</p>
12:45 – 13:30	<p><b>LUNCH</b></p> <p><i>One-course meal individually plated and served at conference seat.</i></p>
13:30 - 14:30	<p><b><u>PANEL 4   INTERNATIONAL LAW AND ASIA</u></b></p> <p><b>MODERATOR</b></p> <p>Ms. Daphne Hong, Solicitor-General, Director-General, International Affairs Division, Attorney-General’s Chamber</p> <p><b>PANEL</b> (15 mins each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ambassador Damos Agusman, Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to Austria and Slovenia</li> <li>• Ambassador Vilawan Manglatanakul, ILC Member, former Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand</li> <li>• Professor Lee Keun-Gwan, Seoul University Law School, Seoul National University</li> </ul> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b> (15 mins)</p>
14:30 PM - 15:45 PM	<p><b><u>PANEL 5   RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW ISSUES</u></b></p> <p><b>MODERATOR</b></p> <p>Professor Makane Moïse Mbengue, University of Geneva Law School</p> <p><b>PANEL</b> (15 mins each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Topic: An update on the reform of investment arbitration</b> Dr Charalampos Giannakopoulos, Senior Research Fellow, CIL-NUS</li> <li>• <b>Topic: Major jurisprudence coming out of the investor-state disputes</b> Ms. Celine Lange, Lead International Dispute Resolution, CIL-NUS</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Topic: Disputes before the ICAO Council</b> Ms. Siew Huay Tan, Director, Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore</li><li>• <b>Topic: OECD global minimum tax regime</b> Professor Lauge Poulsen, University College London</li></ul> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b> (15 mins)</p>
15:45 – 16:00	COFFEE BREAK
16:00 – 17:00	<p><b><u>SESSION 6   TOWN HALL</u></b></p> <p><b>MODERATOR</b> Dr. Nilufer Oral, Director of the Centre for International Law, NUS (10 mins)</p> <p><b>OPENING DISCUSSION</b> (50 mins)</p>