SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION ACADEMY 2026

SATURDAY 14 NOVEMBER – FRIDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2026



The Singapore International Arbitration Academy (SIAA) is one of CIL's flagship programmes. Every year since 2012, the Centre for International Law (CIL) has brought together some of the world's leading experts in international arbitration for a weeklong programme on investor-state dispute settlement designed specifically for government officials and private practitioners.

SIAA is an unparalleled opportunity for government officials, private practitioners and legal academics in the Asia-Pacific region and from around the world to come to Singapore to meet and interact with luminaries of international arbitration, gain hands-on experience with international investment law issues and develop new professional relationships.

The SIAA Programme includes sessions on the substantive law of investment treaties, the developing landscape of Investor-State Dispute Settlement as well as practical workshops on drafting requests for arbitration and the production of documents. As a culmination of the SIAA, participants who choose will be given the opportunity to argue in investor-state arbitration proceedings before a distinguished tribunal of some of the world's leading arbitrators.

Day 1 – Saturday 14 November (NUS Bukit Timah Campus)

Time	Venue	Session
12.00–13.00	**Registration:** Multi-Purpose Hall (L1) **Welcome Refreshments:** Canteen (Beside Multi-Purpose Hall, L1)	**Registration & Welcome Refreshments**
13.00–13.45	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Opening of SIAA & Welcome address** - Prof N. Jansen Calamita and Ms Celine Lange **Video** of the Singapore Cooperation Programme **Introduction to the programme** for the week Ms Celine Lange and Prof N. Jansen Calamita
13.45–14.30	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Introduction to the Moot Problem** Prof N. Jansen Calamita
14.30–15.15	**Canteen (Beside Multi-Purpose Hall, L1)**	Group photo + break
15.15–16.30	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Introduction to International Environmental Law** Prof Makane Moïse Mbengue
16.30–17.45	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Sources of International Law; relationship with international investment law** Prof Vincent-Joël Proulx
17.45–19.00	**Q&A:** Multi-Purpose Hall (L1) **Networking Reception:** Canteen (Beside Multi-Purpose Hall, L1)	**Q & A Session** on the SIAA Moot Court, followed by **Networking Reception**

Sunday 15 November is a rest day.

Day 2 – Monday 16 November (NUS Bukit Timah Campus)

Time	Venue	Session
09.00–09.05	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Introduction** Ms Celine Lange
09.05–10.15	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Rules of interpretation of investment treaties** Dr Romesh Weeramantry
10.15–10.30	**Block B, L2**	Morning break
10.30–11.40	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Scope of investment treaties - definitions of investment and investor** Dr Stefanie Schacherer
11.40–12.40	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**ICSID 101, Part 1** Ms Frauke Nitschke, Dr Jon Chevry & Mr Yuchiro Omori
12.40–13.30	**Block B, L2**	Lunch
13.30–14.30	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**ICSID 101, Part 2** Ms Frauke Nitschke, Dr Jon Chevry & Mr Yuchiro Omori
14.30–15.45	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Comparing ICSID Arbitration with Non-ICSID Arbitration** Mr Aditya Singh
15.45–16.00	**Block B, L2**	Afternoon break
16.00–17.15	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1) **Breakout Room 1:** Classroom3-4 (L3) **Breakout Room 2:** Classroom3-5 (L3)	**Workshop:** drafting a Request for Arbitration Ms Sapna Jhangiani KC
17.15–18.00	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Moot Briefing** Dr Charalampos Giannakopoulos

Day 3 – Tuesday 17 November (NUS Bukit Timah Campus)

Time	Venue	Session
09.00–09.05	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Introduction** Dr Charalampos Giannakopoulos
09.05–10.20	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Fair and Equitable Treatment** Prof Mark Feldman
10.20–10.40	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Reading of document production workshop materials**
10.40–11.30	**Block B, L2**	Morning break
11.30–12.45	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Expropriation** Prof Tomoko Ishikawa
12.45–14.00	**Block B, L2**	Lunch
14.00–15.15	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Local communities in investment arbitration** Ms Celine Lange
15.15–16.30	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**The Permanent Court of Arbitration** Mr Bryce Williams
16.30–16.45	**Block B, L2**	**Afternoon break**
16.45–18.00	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1) **Breakout Rooms**	**Workshop:** Issues relating to document production in international arbitration Ms Gitta Satryani
18.00–19.00	**Breakout Room 1:** Classroom3-4 (L3) **Breakout Room 2:** Classroom3-5 (L3)	18.00 to 18.20: **Consultations** with Advocacy Teams Dr Charalampos Giannakopoulos 18.20 to 19.00: **Coaching session** for mooters -Mr Joshua Hiew -Ms Reshma Nair -Ms Ritika Bharti -Mr Sidney Tambasi Netya

Day 4 – Wednesday 18 November (NUS Bukit Timah Campus)

Time	Venue	Session
09.00–09.30	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Introduction and Recap** Dr Charalampos Giannakopoulos
09.30–10.45	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**ISDS reform at UNCITRAL Working Group III** Dr Charalampos Giannakopoulos
10.45–11.00	**Block B, L2**	Morning break
11.00–12.15	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Defences** Prof Manjiao (Cliff) Chi
12.15–13.15	**Block B, L2**	Lunch
13.15–14.30	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Alternative Dispute Resolution and Mediation** Ms Celine Lange, Dr Cameron Ford
14.30–15.30	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Dissection of a case** (Claimant) Ms Samantha Tan
15.30–15.45	**Block B, L2**	Afternoon break
15.45–17.00	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Analysing a case: Strategies for States in Investor–State Arbitration** Mr David A. Pawlak
18.00-20.00	WongPartnership LLP	**Evening Talk:** ***The Evolution of ethics rules in arbitration from 1872 forward*** by Mr J. Christopher Thomas KC (hosted by WongPartnership LLP)

Day 5– Thursday 19 November (NUS Bukit Timah Campus + Maxwell Chambers)

	Time	Venue	Session
Bukit Timah Campus	**09.00–09.30**	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Introduction and Recap** Dr Charalampos Giannakopoulos
	09.30–10.30	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**Keynote: The Importance of Investment Law Literacy for Government Officers** Justice Indu Malhotra
	10.30–11.00	**Block B, L2**	Morning break
	11.00–13.00	Multi-Purpose Hall (L1)	**State Management of Investment Treaty Obligations** ▪ Dr Kraijakr Thiratayakinant (negotiation) ▪ Prof N. Jansen Calamita (governance) ▪ Mr David A. Pawlak (disputes) ▪ Solicitor-General Ms Daphne Hong (Moderator)
	13.00–14.00	**Block B, L2**	Lunch
Maxwell Chambers	**15.00–16.00**	Elgin Room (L2)	**Debate – The Third-Party Funding Debate** ▪ Dr Matthew Secomb ▪ Dr Aloysius Llamzon ▪ Ms Celine Lange (Moderator)
	16.00 – 17.00	Elgin Room (L2)	**Damages in Investor–State Arbitration: Principles, Valuation and Strategy** ▪ Mr Emmanuel Jacomy ▪ Mr James Nicholson ▪ Prof N. Jansen Calamita (Moderator)
	17.00–18.15	Elgin Room (L2)	**The Tribunal's Point of View** ▪ Ms Amanda Lees ▪ Ms Koh Swee Yen SC ▪ Dr Cameron Ford ▪ Ms Celine Lange (Moderator)
	18.15–19.00	**Breakout Room 1:** Room 214 (L2) **Breakout Room 2:** Room 206 (L2)	**Coachingsession** for mooters -Ms Ritika Bharti -Mr Joshua Hiew -Mr Sidney Tambasi Netya -Ms Reshma Nair
	19:30-21:30	*Speakers' dinner*	

Day 6 – Friday 20 November - Mock Arbitration (Maxwell Chambers)

Tribunal:

- Mr J. Christopher Thomas KC (Presiding)
- Prof Chester Brown SC
- Ms Chiann Bao

Tribunal Secretary: Mr Sidney Tembasi Netya

Time	Venue	Session
09.00–10.45	Elgin Room (L2)	**First round of oral submissions**
10.45–11.00	**Foyer, L2**	Morning break
11.00–12.15	Elgin Room (L2)	**Second round of oral submissions**
12.15–13.00	Elgin Room (L2)	**Tribunal deliberation** (12.15-12.30) **Tribunal feedback to Mooters** (12.30-13.00)
13.00–14.15	**Foyer, L2**	Lunch
14.15–15.15	Maxwell Chambers Gallery	**SIAA Certificates Ceremony & Academy Awards**
15.15–16.45	Maxwell Chambers Gallery	**Drinks reception** and closing of SIAA 2026

**Discussion Rooms (for Mooters) are available: Room 214 & Room 209 (7.00am-9.00am)*

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End of SIAA 2026

TRANSPORTATION (COACH TIMINGS)

Day 1 – Saturday, 14 Nov 2026 (RELC International Hotel | The Initial Sama Serviced Residence – NUS Bukit Timah Campus)		
	PICK UP LOCATION	**DROP OFF LOCATION**
Day 1 14 Nov 2026, Saturday	**11:30AM | RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road, Singapore 258352	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
	The Initial Sama Serviced Residence* 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367 1. **11:30AM** 2. **11:40AM** 3. **11:50AM**	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
	7:15 PM | NUS Bukit Timah Campus 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756	**RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road, Singapore 258352
	NUS Bukit Timah Campus* 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756 1. **7:10PM** 2. **7:20PM** 3. **7:30PM**	**The Initial Sama Serviced Residence** 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367
Notes **Bus back to Initial Sama Service Residence: Please note that the shuttle bus can accommodate up to 13 passengers at any one time. As seating is limited, we encourage participants to board the earlier bus service whenever possible.*		

Day 2 – Monday, 16 Nov 2026 (RELC International Hotel | The Initial Sama Serviced Residence – NUS Bukit Timah Campus)		
Day 2 16 Nov 2026, Monday	**PICK UP LOCATION**	**DROP OFF LOCATION**
	8:20AM | RELC International Hotel 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
	The Initial Sama Serviced Residence* 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367 1. **8:30AM** 2. **8:40AM** 3. **8:50AM**	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
	5:15PM – 8:15PM | **NUS Bukit Timah Campus*** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756	**On Loop** **1st Drop off:** **The Initial Sama Serviced Residence** 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367 **2nd Drop off:** **RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352
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Day 3 – Tuesday, 17 Nov 2026 (RELC International Hotel | The Initial Sama Serviced Residence – NUS Bukit Timah Campus)		
	PICK UP LOCATION	**DROP OFF LOCATION**
Day 3 17 Nov 2026, Tuesday	**8:20AM | RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
	The Initial Sama Serviced Residence* 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367 1. **8:30AM** 2. **8:40AM** 3. **8:50AM**	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
	6:00PM – 9:00PM | **NUS Bukit Timah Campus*** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756	**On Loop** **1st Drop off:** **The Initial Sama Serviced Residence** 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367 **2nd Drop off:** **RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352
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Day 4 – Wednesday, 18 Nov 2026
(RELC International Hotel | The Initial Sama Serviced Residence – NUS Bukit Timah Campus – WongPartnership LLP)

	PICK UP LOCATION	DROP OFF LOCATION
Day 4 18 Nov 2026, Wednesday	**8:20AM | RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
	The Initial Sama Serviced Residence* 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367 1. **8:30AM** 2. **8:40AM** 3. **8:50AM**	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756

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WongPartnership LLP

Day 4 18 Nov 2026, Wednesday	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756 1. **5:15PM** 2. **5:30PM**	**WongPartnership LLP** 12 Marina Blvd, Tower 3 Marina Bay Financial Centre, Singapore 018982
	8:15PM | WongPartnership LLP 12 Marina Blvd, Tower 3 Marina Bay Financial Centre, Singapore 018982	**1st Drop off:** **RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352 **2nd Drop off:** **The Initial Sama Serviced Residence** 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367

Day 5 – Thursday, 19 Nov 2026 (RELC International Hotel | The Initial Sama Serviced Residence – NUS Bukit Timah Campus – Maxwell Chambers)		
	PICK UP LOCATION	**DROP OFF LOCATION**
Day 5 19 Nov 2026, Thursday	**8:20AM | RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
	The Initial Sama Serviced Residence* 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367 1. **8:30AM** 2. **8:40AM** 3. **8:50AM**	**NUS Bukit Timah Campus** 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756
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Maxwell Chambers		
	NUS Bukit Timah Campus 469 Bukit Timah Road, Singapore 259756 1. **2:15PM** 2. **2:30PM**	**Maxwell Chambers** 32 Maxwell Rd, Singapore 069115
Day 5 19 Nov 2026, Thursday	**6:15PM – 9:15PM | Maxwell Chambers** 32 Maxwell Rd, Singapore 069115	**On Loop** **1st Drop off:** **RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352 **2nd Drop off:** **The Initial Sama Serviced Residence** 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367

Day 6 – Friday, 20 Nov 2026 (RELC International Hotel | The Initial Sama Serviced Residence – Maxwell Chambers)		
	PICK UP LOCATION	**DROP OFF LOCATION**
Day 6 20 Nov 2026, Friday	**8:10AM | RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352	**Maxwell Chambers** 32 Maxwell Rd, Singapore 069115
	8:10AM | The Initial Sama Serviced Residence 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367	**Maxwell Chambers** 32 Maxwell Rd, Singapore 069115
	5:00PM | Maxwell Chambers Suites 28 Maxwell Road, Maxwell Chambers Suites, Singapore 069120	**1st Drop off:** **RELC International Hotel** 30 Orange Grove Road Singapore 258352 **2nd Drop off:** **The Initial Sama Serviced Residence** 26 Evans Rd, Singapore 259367