



Australasian Forum for
International Arbitration

**17th AFIA SYMPOSIUM
MELBOURNE 2009**

Dear Members and fellow arbitration enthusiasts

We are pleased to invite you to the 17th Symposium of the Australasian Forum for International Arbitration (AFIA), to be held in Melbourne on **Friday 29 May 2009**.

The Symposium will be hosted by **Freehills**, Level 42, 101 Collins Street, Melbourne. If you would like to attend, please register before Wednesday 21 May 2009 by returning the attached registration form. Attendance is free of charge.

AFIA Symposia are not focused on a particular topic, but instead rely on contributions made by participants. As in the past, the Symposium will be conducted in an informal atmosphere intended to encourage contributions or questions related to international arbitration from all participants, irrespective of their level of practical experience in international arbitration.

The Symposium will commence at 9:00am and conclude at 12:00pm. A preliminary programme for the Symposium will be forwarded in due course.

We do hope that you will join us at this event. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Simon Davis and Christopher Kee
AFIA Co-Chairs



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REGISTRATION FORM

I wish to register for the 17th AFIA Symposium, to be held on **Friday 29 May 2009** at Freehills, Melbourne.

Name:

Organisation:

Telephone:

Fax:

Please return this registration form by **21 May 2009** to:

Nicholas Lazarou (nlazarou@claytonutz.com)

Participants are encouraged to submit any questions or topics for discussion, to Nicholas Lazarou (nlazarou@claytonutz.com) by Friday 15 May 2009.

The questions or topics chosen for discussion will be notified to all participants prior to the Symposium. Participants who have submitted questions or topics may be asked to introduce these at the event. If you wish to submit a question or topic for discussion but do not want your name to appear on the topic list, please let us know and one of the conference chairs will introduce the topic on your behalf.

For examples of discussion points, please refer to past editions of *AFIA News* located on our website: <http://www.afia.net.au>.



About AFIA

The Australasian Forum for International Arbitration (AFIA) is a forum for practitioners to discuss issues and developments in international arbitration, with particular focus on the Asia-Pacific region.

AFIA makes its activities as inclusive as possible for practitioners through informal roundtable discussions, where attendees are able to ask questions and share knowledge based on their international arbitration experience. Discussions are led by a more experienced three-member panel and are based on topics that are suggested by members and circulated to attendees prior to each symposium.

AFIA provides a great opportunity for the forging of relationships for young practitioners spanning the Australasian region and globally, through both individual membership and through relationships which AFIA continues to develop with similar organisations around the world.

Since its inauguration in 2004, AFIA has held regular symposia in Melbourne, Sydney, Singapore, Hong Kong and Kuala Lumpur. For more information, visit our new website: www.afia.net.au.

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- Bahrain
- China
- England
- France
- Germany
- Hong Kong (SAR)
- India
- Indonesia
- London
- Malaysia
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- Singapore
- United Arab Emirates
- United States of America

Becoming an AFIA Member

AFIA members receive newsletters and notices of upcoming international arbitration events and are the first to be informed of AFIA Symposia.

Membership is free. Membership forms are available at all AFIA Symposia or upon request. If you are interested in joining AFIA, please contact the AFIA Secretary, Nicholas Lazarou (nlazarou@claytonutz.com) for more information.