



International Arbitration Symposium Hong Kong

Saturday 20 March 2010

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

Venue: Simmons & Simmons
35/F Cheung Kong Center, Central

jointly presented by

International Chamber of Commerce, Young Arbitrators Forum (ICC-YAF)
and
Australasian Forum for International Arbitration (AFIA)

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Agenda

10:30 – 11:00 am	Registration
11:00 – 12:00 noon	Session 1
12:00 – 12.15 pm	Coffee break
12:15 – 12:45 pm	Lecture by Guest Speaker - The Right Honourable Lord Hoffmann of Chedworth
12:45 – 13:00 pm	Q & A session with Lord Hoffmann
13:15 – 14:00 pm	Session 2
14:00 onwards	Canapés and Drinks

About our Guest Speaker

Lord Hoffmann is a retired Law Lord. He was an advocate of the Supreme Court of South Africa 1958-60, called to English Bar by Gray's Inn in 1964 and appointed Queen's Counsel in 1977. He was appointed a judge of the High Court (Chancery Division) 1985-1992, elevated to the of the Court of Appeal 1992-1995 and appointed a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary 1995-2009. From 1980 to 1985 he was a (part-time) member of the Courts of Appeal of Jersey and Guernsey. Since 1998 he has been a non-permanent judge of the Court of Final Appeal of Hong Kong.

In his career at the Bar he undertook a wide range of commercial and property disputes, including ICC and Swedish Chamber of Commerce arbitrations. His recent leading judgments on arbitration have included *Fiona Trust v Privalov* (2007) (*Premium Nafta Products Ltd v Fili Shipping Company Ltd* [2007] UKHL 40) and *West Tankers Inc v RAS Riunione Adriatica* (2007).

Topics for Discussion at Sessions 1 and 2 of the Symposium

Participants are encouraged to submit by **15 March 2009** any questions or topics for discussion to James Kwan (james.kwan@simmons-simmons.com) or Ow Kim Kit (okk@iccasia.com.sg). The submission should contain a brief explanation of the topic or question and the reason why it is proposed for discussion.

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 them at the event. If you wish to submit a question or topic but do not want your name to appear on the topics list, please let us know and one of the conference chairs will introduce it on your behalf.

For more information on the symposium, please contact James Kwan (james.kwan@simmonssimmons.com) or Ow Kim Kit (okk@iccasia.com.sg). To register, please complete and return the attached registration form. Attendance is free of charge.

ICC International Court of Arbitration and ICC YAF

The ICC International Court of Arbitration has a distinguished and longstanding history of international dispute resolution spanning over 85 years. In 2009 alone, it received a record 817 requests for arbitration from all over the world. Some 22% of new cases filed last year involved one or more parties originating from Asia.

In December 2008, the Secretariat of the ICC International Court of Arbitration established its first branch outside Paris in Hong Kong. Staffed by a case management team with the professional, cultural and linguistic expertise required for handling cases linked to South and East Asia, the office brings a new proximity to the Court's services. Parties are now able to file Requests for Arbitration to the Secretariat's office in Hong Kong, instead of sending them to Paris, and the Secretariat's exchanges with parties and arbitrators are facilitated by real-time communication in a common time zone.

To contact the Secretariat's Asia Office, please email Ms Khong Cheng-Yee, Director and Counsel at chengyee.khong@iccwbo.org or telephone 852 3607 5600.

In line with the ICC's commitment to the Asia Pacific region, in recognition of its growing importance in dispute resolution services, the ICC created the ICC Regional Office, Asia in Singapore in December 2009, as a dedicated liaison office for the promotion and business development aspects of the ICC Dispute Resolution Services. The ICC Regional Office, Asia actively promotes ICC's dispute resolution services in the region and also organises training programmes and regional arbitration forums.

To contact the ICC Regional Office, Asia, please email Ms Ow Kim Kit, Director ICC Arbitration and ADR, Asia at okk@iccasia.com.sg or telephone 65 6225 9081.

ICC YAF objectives:

- Bring together younger lawyers and in-house counsel to strengthen ties among younger members of the international arbitration community.
- Provide a forum for younger professionals to exchange information about career development with their peers and to keep pace with hot topics in the field.
- Present networking opportunities.

How to become a member of ICC YAF?

- Registering for ICC YAF is simple and free:
- Visit www.iccyaf.org and enter your contact details on the "How to get involved" page. Once you are registered, ICC YAF will send you the latest information on the range of events organized in your region.
- Most ICC YAF events have no registration fee. For information on events taking place around the world visit the "Upcoming events" page at www.iccyaf.org

For more information, please visit www.iccyaf.org or send an email to iccyaf@iccwbo.org.

Australasian Forum for International Arbitration (AFIA)

AFIA provides practitioners, especially younger members, with a forum to discuss issues and developments in international arbitration, with a particular focus on the Asia-Pacific region. AFIA currently has 265 members across the Australasian region. AFIA's membership base is constantly growing, with members from the following countries:

Australia
Bahrain
China
France
Germany
Hong Kong (SAR)
India
Indonesia
Ireland
Italy
Japan
Malaysia
Netherlands
New Zealand
Singapore
Sri Lanka
Switzerland
Thailand
United Arab Emirates
United Kingdom
United States of America

Since its inauguration in 2004, AFIA has held regular symposia in the Australasian region, where attendees participate in informal discussions and can ask questions and share knowledge based on their international arbitration experience. Each of the discussions are led by a more experienced panel and are based on topics suggested by members and circulated to attendees prior to the symposium.

The topics range from current legal developments both in the region and further abroad, to practical hints on the conduct of international arbitration. We welcome attendees from all professional backgrounds, irrespective of their level of expertise or experience in the area of international arbitration.

AFIA provides an important opportunity for the forging of professional relationships amongst practitioners spanning the Australasian region and globally. It also offers opportunities for its members to benefit from AFIA's developing associations with similar organisations around the world.

Membership of AFIA is free. Those interested in joining should contact Mr Nicholas Lazarou, nlazarou@claytonutz.com, Secretary and Public Officer of AFIA.

Information about AFIA is available at www.afia.net.au.

ICC YAF Party on Friday 19 March 2010 from 7.30pm till late

ICC YAF will hold a **fabulous party** to celebrate its Asia Chapter at the following venue: -

“FINDS”

Wyndham 2/F LKF Tower, 33 Wyndham Street, Central, Hong Kong
T. 2522 9318

Attendance is free of charge. Please contact Ow Kim Kit (okk@iccasia.com.sg) for more details.



Registration Form

I wish to register for the joint ICC YAF-AFIA Symposium to be held on 20 March 2009 in Hong Kong.

I will / will not (*) attend the ICC YAF Party on Friday 19 March 2010 from 7:30pm till late at FINDS.

Name:

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Please note that there is limited capacity for this event.