



Conference details:
0900 to 1730, 29 August 2024, Singapore

CIARB-IPOS IP & Tech Dispute Resolution Conference

by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Singapore)
and the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore

Date: Thursday, 29 August 2024
Time: 9:00 am to 5:30 pm (Registration starts at 8:30 am)
Venue: One Marina Blvd, NTUC Training room, Level 8

ABOUT THE EVENT

Join us for an insightful conference on cutting-edge topics in IP & Technology Dispute Resolution. The conference will be held during Singapore Convention Week 2024 and is an Associated Event of IP Week @ SG 2024. Following the keynote addresses to be given by Justice Aedit Abdullah and Lord Justice Colin Birss, our distinguished panellists will explore key issues, including:

1. The advent of IP Arbitration – A discussion amongst Jean Ho, Stanley Lai, Kevin Nash, and Michael Hwang on the why and how IP Arbitration has gained a foothold in the domestic and the international landscape, and a look at past and upcoming trends moderated by Yi-Jun Kang;
2. A discussion about the issues regarding the valuation of IP in the context of disputes amongst Jonathan Ellis, Kathleen Paisley, Richard Goh and Srividya Gopal, moderated by Michael Peer, including the challenges, the legal context and the emerging trends;
3. A discussion amongst Sandy Widjaja, Chuan Wee Meng, Ignacio de Castro and Shaun Lee of the benefits of IP & Tech Mediation in preserving and enhancing parties' relationships while providing speedy settlements compared to other forms of dispute resolution, moderated by Jonathan Choo;
4. A discussion amongst Lam Chung Nian, Charlie Xie, Ignacio de Castro and Colin Birss about understanding the challenges at the intersection of antitrust, IP, and contract law in FRAND (Fair, Reasonable, and Non-Discriminatory) licensing and Standard Essential Patents (SEPs), moderated by Mark Lim; and
5. A discussion amongst Daryl Lim, David Llewelyn, Simon Chesterman, Amita Haylock and Jonathan Lim on how the law should respond to the many issues which arise from the bottleneck developments in the field of artificial intelligence and related technology, moderated by Gabriel Ong.

The discussions will be followed by a networking reception.



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Practice Area: Others/Multi-disciplinary
Training Level: General

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Conference program

08:30	Registration starts
09:00	Welcome address by Rena Lee, Chief Executive of IPOS
09:10	Keynote 1: Justice Aedit Abdullah
09:30	Keynote 2: Lord Justice Colin Birss
09:50	Q&A with Keynote Speakers
10:00	Topic 1: The Advent of IP Arbitration
11:00	Networking break
11:30	Topic 2: Challenges to the Valuation of IP
12:30	Lunch
13:45	Topic 3: Mediating IP & Tech Disputes: Recent Trends and Initiatives
14:45	Topic 4: Disputes involving Standard Essential Patents: Many Problems. Any Solutions?
15:45	Networking break
16:15	Topic 5: AI: Responding to the Rise of the Machines
17:15	Closing remarks
17:30	Networking drinks

Registration

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Justice
Aedit
Abdullah

Justice Aedit Abdullah was appointed Judicial Commissioner in 2014 and High Court Judge in 2017. Justice Abdullah holds degrees in law and public management from the National University of Singapore (NUS), and obtained the BCL from Oxford University.

He began his working life as a Justices' Law Clerk in 1997. He then taught at the Faculty of Law, NUS, before re-joining the Singapore Legal Service, where he has held various appointments, including as Chief Prosecutor at the Attorney-General's Chambers. He has also been seconded to the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) twice. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 2012.

Currently, he is the Judge in charge of Transformation and Innovation in the Judiciary, and is also Chair of the Promotion of Legal Technology Innovation Committee of the Singapore Academy of Law.



Lord
Justice
Colin
Birss

Colin Birss is a judge of the Court of Appeal of England and Wales and Deputy Head of Civil Justice. He was called to the English Bar in 1990 and practiced in intellectual property law, taking silk in 2008. In 2010 Colin Birss went on the bench, first as judge of the Patents County Court (now IPEC)) and then, in 2013, to the High Court. In 2019 became Judge in Charge of the Patents Court and in 2021 he was appointed to his current roles.

PANELLISTS AND MODERATORS

Questions and Answers with Keynote Speakers



Joo Lin Teh
Moderator

Joo Lin is Senior Legal Counsel in the Legal Department of IPOS, where he advises on various IP-related matters. He was a Justices' Law Clerk, and also served in the Ministry of Law and Singapore International Mediation Centre. He is an accredited mediator and holds a specialist certificate in intangible asset management. Before his legal career, he was a correspondent at The Straits Times.

Topic 1: The Advent of IP Arbitration



Yi-Jun Kang
Moderator

Yi-Jun is a senior associate at Morrison and Foerster. Her practice focuses on complex, cross-border commercial litigation and arbitration. She has a broad range of experience, across a variety of industry sectors, including shareholder, mergers and acquisitions, private equity, joint venture, technology and intellectual property disputes.

In relation to her work on international arbitration, she has represented numerous conglomerates and multi-national corporations in commercial arbitrations under various rules, including Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC), International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), and United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL).

Yi-Jun is qualified in Singapore and England and Wales, and she is bilingual in English and Mandarin Chinese. Yi-Jun is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, a member of the YSIAC Council, a member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee of the Law Society of Singapore, and Assistant Editor for Southeast Asia of the Kluwer Arbitration Blog.



Jean Ho
Panellist

Dr. Ho co-convenes Intellectual Property Arbitration, a pioneering course at NUS Law and worldwide. Prior to academia, she specialised in investor-state disputes at Shearman & Sterling LLP. Dr. Ho is the first academic in the history of the Faculty to graduate with honours from l'Université de Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne, topping her class in several courses including Droit des Contrats, Droit de la Responsabilité Civile, and Droit des Sociétés. She is also the first Singaporean to be awarded a placement with the Conseil d'Etat in Paris, an honour normally reserved for foreign judges. First and foremost an international lawyer, the principal areas of Dr. Ho's research are international investment contracts, the law of state and investor responsibility, international property theory and regulation, and international dispute settlement. Her shorter publications have appeared in the American Journal of International Law and the British Yearbook of International Law, while her books are helmed by Cambridge University Press and Oxford University Press. Dr. Ho is the first person to contribute in English, French, and Mandarin to the United Nations Audiovisual Library on International Law Lecture Series.



Stanley Lai
Panellist

Dr Stanley Lai, SC is the Head of Allen & Gledhill's Intellectual Property Practice and Co-Head of the Cybersecurity & Data Protection Practice.

Stanley is a Senior Counsel who specialises in all forms of IP litigation/arbitration and information technology disputes and is also a commercial litigator and SIAC Arbitrator. He maintains a strong advisory practice for IP/data management and cybersecurity, serving a broad spectrum of clients. In the biomedical and pharmaceutical sectors, Stanley has substantial experience in advising on healthcare and medical IP and regulatory issues concerning medicines, generics, patent linkage, bio-similars, medical devices, clinical trials, product recalls and product liability.

Stanley has been recognised as a leading individual in Chambers Asia-Pacific, The Legal 500 Asia Pacific and other leading legal publications. Asian Legal Business named Stanley as one of Asia's Top 15 Intellectual Property Lawyers in 2022. He was also named Intellectual Property Lawyer of the Year at The Legal 500 Southeast Asia Awards 2023.



Kevin Nash
Panellist

As Registrar of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), Kevin leads the SIAC Secretariat in the provision of case management services. For more than a decade, Kevin has overseen the administration of thousands of international cases under all versions of the SIAC Rules and the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. Under the Singapore International Arbitration Act 1994, Kevin is gazetted as an appointing authority, serves as the statutory taxation authority, and is empowered to authenticate and certify awards and arbitration agreements.

Kevin worked closely on the revisions to the SIAC Rules 2013, SIAC Rules 2016, SIAC Investment Arbitration Rules 2017, and leads the SIAC Secretariat on the drafting of the seventh edition of the SIAC Rules. He is an active participant at UNCITRAL Working Group II (Dispute Settlement) and UNCITRAL Working Group III (ISDS) and frequently speaks, lectures and conducts training on commercial arbitration and investment arbitration.

Kevin is listed by Who's Who Legal as a Global Leader and National Leader for Southeast Asia where he is recognised as 'the most knowledgeable person as to the practice, ecosystem and DNA of international arbitration in Singapore' and that 'nobody knows more about arbitration in Singapore' Described as a 'rock star of arbitration' who is 'without equal in the region' and 'in a league of his own', peers and clients say that he is 'excellent on procedure and substance' and 'a calm presence and a safe pair of hands for the most complex matters'.

Kevin is qualified as a Barrister and Solicitor with the Law Society of Ontario. He speaks English and French.



Michael Hwang
Panellist

Dr Michael Hwang S.C. currently practises as an international arbitrator based in Singapore with a selective practice as Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore. He served as the Chief Justice of the Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) Courts from 2010 – 2018 (having previously served as Deputy Chief Justice from 2005 – 2010). Michael's other past appointments include: Judicial Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Singapore; Singapore's Non-Resident Ambassador to Switzerland and Argentina; President of the Law Society of Singapore; Commissioner of the United Nations Compensation Commission; Vice Chairman of the ICC International Court of Arbitration; Vice President of the International Council of Commercial Arbitration (ICCA); Trustee of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC); Council Member of the Swiss Arbitration Association(ASA); and a Visiting (and later Adjunct) Professor of the National University of Singapore. He was educated at undergraduate and postgraduate levels at Oxford University, where he won a college scholarship by open competitive UK examination (the first Singaporean to do so). He has been conferred an Honorary LLD by the University of Sydney. He currently serves as a non-resident Appellate Judge for commercial cases conducted in English heard by the Bahrain Court of Cassation.

Topic 2: Challenges to the Valuation of IP



Michael Peer
Moderator

Michael is based in Singapore but originally trained as a Chartered Accountant in Canada. Michael has over 30 years of experience as a forensic accountant, assisting clients with sensitive situations involving theft, fraud, bribery, money laundering, corruption, and other regulatory or policy breaches. He is recognized as a global leader in dispute resolution involving commercial, investor state (BIT) or state on state, in various forums including arbitration, litigation and mediation.

Michael works closely with corporate clients and their legal advisors when acting as an expert witness in matters involving accounting, damage quantification and regulatory compliance during administrative, civil and criminal proceedings. He sits as an arbitrator and provides expert determinations to facilitate the resolution of disputes by the parties. Michael has been recognized by his peers for expert witness in Who's Who Legal since its inception as well as more recently as a Thought Leader.



Kathleen Paisley
Panellist

Kathleen Paisley, Arbitrator. Kathleen is a recognized international arbitrator based in Europe and the US, and with significant experience in Asia, Middle East and Africa. She has served as an arbitrator in cases administered by the ICC, SIAC, AAA-ICDR, LCIA and virtually all other major arbitration centres. Kathleen is widely recognized for her expertise in the quantification of damages and the valuation of assets, particularly in life sciences, technology, and IP disputes. She is triple qualified in law (Yale), accounting (CPA Exam), finance (MBA), and teaches damages at University of Miami. Before becoming a full-time arbitrator, Kathleen held partnerships in the international disputes' practices at White & Case and Morrison & Foerster.



Richard Goh
Panellist

Richard Goh is a Group Tax Specialist at the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore. He is a Chartered Valuer and Appraiser and a certified Master Tax Specialist in IP Law, IP Management and IP Commercialisation. He has over 10 years of experience dealing with tax and transfer pricing valuation issues involving acquisitions and transfers of IP and other intangibles across various sectors. He also speaks regularly in seminars and workshops and has written articles on the valuation of intangibles for accounting, tax and transfer pricing purposes.



Jonathan Ellis
Panellist

Jonathan Ellis is a partner at HKA and is based in the Singapore office. He specialises in the quantification of damages and valuations, in particular in dispute contexts. He has worked on matters before the UK and Singapore High Courts as well as in ad hoc, SIAC, LCIA, ICC, HKIAC, UNCITRAL and ICSID arbitration forums. He has provided oral testimony on over ten occasions, in both court and arbitration, and has been engaged as a tribunal appointed expert. Since 2017, Jonathan has been recognised among the leading arbitration expert witnesses worldwide by Who's Who Legal, where he has been classified as a "Global Elite Thought Leader" and a "National Leader" in the inaugural Southeast Asia Arbitration list.



Srividya Gopal
Panellist

Srividya Gopal is Managing Director & Southeast Asia Leader, Valuation Advisory Services at Kroll (formerly Duff & Phelps). She has 26 years of experience in valuations and transactions. She has advised numerous companies on valuations for the purposes of financial reporting, transaction, restructuring, taxation, dispute resolution and financing. She is a member of the Business Valuation Board of the International Valuation Standards Council (IVSC), the global standard setter for valuation. She is a former member of the Institute of Valuers & Appraisers of Singapore (IVAS) Council and chaired their Professional Development Working Group as well as a former member of the global Regulatory Board of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS).

Topic 3: Mediating IP & Tech Disputes: Recent Trends and Initiatives



Jonathan Choo
Moderator

Jonathan Choo is an independent Arbitrator and Mediator with over twenty years of experience in handling a broad range of high-value international disputes, arbitrations and mediations. He is dual-qualified as an Advocate and Solicitor in Singapore and a Solicitor in England & Wales. His general commercial disputes background covers complex commercial, international trade, technology, media and broadcasting, construction, projects and infrastructure, insurance (non-marine) and IP disputes. He has successfully represented individuals, MNCs, banks, international contractors, media and broadcasting agencies, telecoms operators and consultants in a variety of disputes. Jonathan accepts arbitral appointments and has been appointed as Presiding Arbitrator and Sole Arbitrator by leading arbitral institutions such as the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC). Jonathan is currently a Fellow, Director and Vice-Chair of the Singapore Branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He is on the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators' teaching faculty and regularly assesses and conducts courses for candidates who wish to be accredited by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He is also a FIDReC Adjudicator and a Specialist Mediator with the Singapore International Mediation Centre.



Sandy Widjaja
Panellist

Sandy joined the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) in 2009 and presently serves as hearing officer (Principal Assistant Registrar) and Senior Legal Counsel.

Prior to joining the Hearings & Mediation Department (HMD) in 2009, Sandy was working at a state department in Western Australia for two years dealing with legislation matters. Before that, Sandy was also with IPOS, at the Registry of Trademarks, handling registration of trademarks and the implementation of the Madrid Protocol. Now that she is in HMD, she has come back full circle.

Sandy has spoken at various events and seminars, both international and national. Sandy holds a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) from the National University of Singapore and a Masters of Laws (LLM) from the University of Western Australia.



Chuan Wee Meng
Panellist

Wee Meng is the CEO of SIMC. He is an experienced lawyer of more than 30 years, working out of Beijing, Hong Kong, Sydney and Singapore. Prior to joining SIMC, he served as General Counsel of IBM Greater China and Nortel Networks Asia Pacific for about 20 years.

Wee Meng has advised senior leadership of MNCs as lead counsel on legal and regulatory issues arising out of doing business in Greater China, India, Japan, Korea, ASEAN, Australia and New Zealand. As an active board member of US-China JVs, he has managed a wide range of emerging market risks with leading international best practices.

Leveraging his deep regional experience, Wee Meng is currently leading SIMC to promote mediation to resolve complex, commercial cross-border disputes in the Asia Pacific region. He has trained Judges, Senior Lawyers and Businesses across Asia in international mediation trainings and workshops.

Wee Meng is an accredited mediator of the Singapore International Mediation Institute. He graduated with a law degree from the National University of Singapore and holds a Master of Laws from the University of Hong Kong. He is called to the Singapore Bar and Hong Kong's Roll of Solicitors.



Ignacio de Castro
Panellist

Ignacio is a Spanish lawyer and an English solicitor. Ignacio holds an LLM degree from King's College London. Before joining WIPO, he practiced with the law firms Baker & McKenzie, London, and Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, London in the areas of international arbitration and litigation. Ignacio is responsible for the administration of mediation, arbitration and domain name cases filed with the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center and the development and promotion of WIPO alternative dispute resolution (ADR). This includes implementing ADR collaborations concluded with IP and Copyright Offices and Courts and establishing ADR procedures adapted to specific areas of intellectual property (e.g., SEPs-FRAND, life sciences, digital content disputes).



Shaun Lee
Panellist

Shaun Lee is a Dispute Resolution Partner in Bird & Bird's Singapore office. He is a dual-qualified lawyer and is lead or instructed counsel in international arbitration proceedings, mediation proceedings, before regulatory tribunals and in proceedings at all levels of the Singapore courts (including the Singapore International Commercial Court).

He regularly represents and advises clients in high-value complex transnational commercial disputes at the intersection of the ICT (Info-Comms & Technology) and MES (Media, Entertainment & Sports) sectors. He acts for tech titans, eSports game developers, sport regulators, online platforms as well as media companies in regulatory investigations, digital & intellectual property rights issues as well as technical and commercial disputes. He has advised and represented industry and retail players in the FinTech and cryptocurrency space on diverse matters such as regulatory issues, data protection, market misconduct, interlocutory relief, asset tracing and civil fraud claims.

Shaun is a Specialist Mediator with the Singapore International Mediation centre as well as a CI Arb Fellow. He sits on the SIAC's Reserve Panel of Arbitrators as well as the AIAC Panel for Arbitrators and for Domain Name Dispute Resolution.

Shaun has written extensively on international arbitration and dispute resolution matters. He has been interviewed and quoted on legal matters in the media and trade publications. He speaks at international conferences on transnational disputes and anti-corruption compliance.

Topic 4: Disputes involving Standard Essential Patents: Many Problems. Any Solutions?



Mark Lim
Moderator

Mark is a Director and Chief Legal Counsel at IPOS (the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore), where he heads the Hearings & Mediation Department. He also leads a team at IPOS which looks into how to position Singapore as a preferred venue for the resolution of intellectual property ("IP") and technology disputes.

He has almost 30 years of experience in IP law. Prior to joining IPOS in 2010, Mark was a lawyer in private practice for 15 years. His work encompasses all areas of IP law. He also has experience in international arbitration proceedings.



Lam Chung Nian
Panellist

Chung Nian Lam heads the Intellectual Property, Technology & Media, Telecommunications and Data Protection Practices at Wong Partnership LLP, a leading Singapore law firm.

He has extensive experience representing multinational companies, listed corporations and government clients on regulatory, transactional, enforcement and advisory matters in the areas of intellectual property, media, information technology, data protection and telecommunications law. He is a leading practitioner in his areas of expertise, having won many awards and accolades.

He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and has been accredited by the Singapore Academy of Law as a Senior Accredited Specialist (Data & Digital Economy). He has also been appointed as an IP Adjudicator empowered to hear disputes before the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore, as well as to the Singapore International Arbitration Centre's Panel of Arbitrators for IP Disputes, and the World Intellectual Property Organization Panel of Film and Media Arbitrators and Experts, among others.

He is admitted to the Singapore Bar and to the Roll of Solicitors of England & Wales and is also a registered patent agent in Singapore.



Charlie Xie
Panellist

Charlie is an economist with over 15 years of experience supporting clients in both Asia and Europe on a number of high-profile cases. He is the leader of AlixPartners' Chinese Economics Practice and has assisted his Asian clients on antitrust investigation, litigation, and commercial disputes such as intellectual property matters. In the UK and Europe, he has extensive experience in litigations in the English High Court and the UK Competition Appeal Tribunal, and he has engaged in regulatory cases, antitrust investigations and mergers.

Charlie regularly appears before courts and antitrust authorities such as the Guangdong High Court, China's State Administration for Market Regulation (SAMR), Hong Kong Competition Commission, Hong Kong Competition Tribunal, UK Competition Appeal Tribunal and English High Court. He has also testified on IP damages issues in both court and arbitral proceedings, and regularly advises companies on FRAND and other IP issues.

Previously, Charlie was with UK's Office of Communications and Charles River Associates. He did his PhD at the London School of Economics and Political Science and remains a guest lecturer at the school. He spends his time between the UK and China and speaks fluent Mandarin and English.



Ignacio de Castro
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Ignacio is a Spanish lawyer and an English solicitor. Ignacio holds an LL.M degree from King's College London. Before joining WIPO, he practiced with the law firms Baker & McKenzie, London, and Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, London in the areas of international arbitration and litigation. Ignacio is responsible for the administration of mediation, arbitration and domain name cases filed with the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center and the development and promotion of WIPO alternative dispute resolution (ADR). This includes implementing ADR collaborations concluded with IP and Copyright Offices and Courts and establishing ADR procedures adapted to specific areas of intellectual property (e.g., SEPs-FRAND, life sciences, digital content disputes).



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Topic 5: AI: Responding to the Rise of the Machines



Gabriel Ong
Moderator

Gabriel serves as Senior Legal Counsel and tribunal hearing officer (Principal Assistant Registrar) for disputes that come under the jurisdiction of the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS). His core portfolio at IPOS involves policy work in relation to promoting and furthering Singapore's attractiveness as a hub for IP / Tech dispute resolution, as well as contributing to legislative reform in this connection. Prior to joining IPOS, Gabriel spent five years practising in the field of IP litigation at one of the top law practices in Singapore. Gabriel is also an adjunct Assistant Professor with the National University of Singapore law faculty (since 2021) where he co-taught the "Foundations of IP Law" module (from 2020-2024) and the "IP Arbitration" module (2022-present).



Amita Haylock
Panellist

Amita Haylock is a partner in Mayer Brown's Singapore office where her practice focuses on all aspects of Intellectual Property, Technology, Competition and Public Law. Traversing across a variety of industries Amita has substantial and pertinent experience in both the cyber and digital arena.

Amita has also worked in representing applicants and respondents in high-profile judicial reviews involving various complex issues including those in the technology, media and telecommunication sectors. In the arbitration context, Amita has worked on various cross-border arbitrations involving licensing, commercial, and competition, technology and intellectual property issues.

She co-chairs the firm's Women's Network in Asia and is a strong advocate of pro bono work.



Daryl Lim
Panellist

Daryl Lim is the H. Laddie Montague Jr. Chair in Law at Penn State Dickinson Law. He is also the Associate Dean for Research and Innovation and Founding Director of the Intellectual Property (IP) Law and Innovation Initiative. At the university level, he is a co-hire at the Institute of Computational and Data Sciences and an affiliate at the Center for Socially Responsible Artificial Intelligence.

He is an award-winning author, observer, and commentator on IP and competition policy trends and how they influence and are influenced by law, technology, economics, and politics. He helps stakeholders understand the world around them. He consults internationally on various IP and antitrust issues. He has taught at the National University of Singapore, Fordham University School of Law, and other institutions worldwide.



David Llewelyn
Panellist

David Llewelyn is a practising lawyer, academic and arbitrator. He is Managing Director of David Llewelyn & Co LLC; Professor (Practice) at Singapore Management University's Yong Pung How School of Law and Professor of Intellectual Property Law at King's College London; and sits as an arbitrator in international commercial disputes.

He is an IP Adjudicator at the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore and joint author of Kerly's Law of Trade Marks & Trade Names (17th ed., 2024) and Cornish, Llewelyn & Aplin: Intellectual Property (10th ed., 2023), as well as Modern Law of Copyright in Singapore (2023), Cases, Materials and Commentary on Singapore Intellectual Property Law (2018) and business book Invisible Gold in Asia: Creating Wealth through Intellectual Property (2010). David has been appointed by the Singapore Court of Appeal as amicus curiae/independent counsel in cases involving trademarks, copyright, patents and geographical indications.



Simon Chesterman
Panellist

Simon Chesterman is David Marshall Professor and Vice Provost (Educational Innovation) at the National University of Singapore, where he is also the founding Dean of NUS College. He serves as Senior Director of AI Governance at AI Singapore and Editor of the Asian Journal of International Law. Previously, he was Dean of NUS Law from 2012 to 2022 and Co-President of the Law Schools Global League from 2021 to 2023.

Educated in Melbourne, Beijing, Amsterdam, and Oxford, Professor Chesterman's teaching experience includes periods at the Universities of Melbourne, Oxford, Southampton, Columbia, and Sciences Po. From 2006-2011, he was Global Professor and Director of the New York University School of Law Singapore Programme. Prior to joining NYU, he was a Senior Associate at the International Peace Academy and Director of UN Relations at the International Crisis Group in New York.

Professor Chesterman is the author or editor of more than twenty books, including We, the Robots? Regulating Artificial Intelligence and the Limits of the Law (CUP, 2021) and One Nation Under Surveillance (OUP, 2011). He also writes on legal education and higher education more generally and is the author of five novels including the Raising Arcadia trilogy and Artifice.



Jonathan Lim
Panellist

Jonathan Lim is a partner in the London office of WilmerHale. He has a broad practice with extensive advocacy experience in commercial and investment treaty arbitrations seated worldwide, including in Singapore, England, Brazil, Hong Kong, the Netherlands, Switzerland, and the United States. His experience spans numerous industries, including representation of private and sovereign clients in the aerospace, construction, energy, financial services, insurance, pharmaceutical, telecommunications, technology, and retail sectors, among others. He has also worked on WTO dispute settlement and ECHR matters.

Jonathan was recently named by Global Arbitration Review as one of the top "45 under 45" arbitration lawyers globally and ranked by Chambers and Legal 500 as a leading practitioner in WilmerHale's Band 1 arbitration practice. Directories describe Jonathan as "an exceptionally gifted lawyer and forceful advocate," "a consummate professional," "tireless," and "a pleasure to work with." Others commend his "top-of-the-class legal and strategic advice," noting that he is "a sure bet as a future global leader."

Jonathan also frequently sits as arbitrator and teaches arbitration at the NUS law school. He is Co-Chair of the Asia-Pacific Forum for International Arbitration, a member of the AFSA International Court, and a member of the AIAC Protem Committee, among other appointments.

The Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) is the national authority that registers and is responsible for the administration of IP rights in Singapore. IPOS helps businesses use intangible assets (IA) and IP to grow and is committed to building Singapore into an international IA/IP hub. IPOS is a statutory board under the Ministry of Law.

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