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TOPICS

The Future of Arbitration in Asia: Trends, Pressures and Strategic Direction (2026 and Beyond)

The speakers will explore how arbitration in Asia is evolving amid geopolitical shifts, regulatory change and rapid technological development. The panel will explore whether arbitration's traditional advantages remain compelling, how emerging disputes — including those involving ESG, energy transition and digital technologies — are reshaping practice, and what lies ahead for arbitration in the region.

Is the Belt and Road Still On Track? Disputes, Risks and Outlook for Cross-Border Projects

Speakers in this session will share their analysis of disputes arising from cross-border infrastructure projects developed under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), including issues relating to complex contractual structures, financing and shifting geopolitical risks. The panel will also consider how dispute patterns are evolving as projects mature, and whether BRI will continue to drive arbitration in the region.

Technology, AI and Digital Evidence in Arbitration: Efficiency, Risk and Responsibility

The speakers will explore the growing use of artificial intelligence (AI) in arbitration, from document review to evidence analysis. The panel will also address emerging risks — including unreliable AI outputs, deepfake evidence and cybersecurity concerns — and consider how tribunals can safeguard procedural integrity in an increasingly digital landscape.

Under Siege: Taming the Guerrilla? A Debate on Procedural Strategy, Due Process and Tribunal Powers

This debate session will examine whether international arbitration is uniquely vulnerable to such tactics, whether tribunals should take a firmer approach to procedural misconduct, and where the boundary lies between legitimate advocacy and abuse of process.

The debate will explore three themes:

- (1) What are guerrilla tactics and why do they arise?
- (2) Are tribunals sufficiently equipped to respond?
- (3) Where should the balance lie between efficiency and due process?

PANEL

Moderator: Asiyah Arif

Speaker: Kevin Prakash

Speaker: Friven Yeoh

Speaker: Rabindra S. Nathan

Moderator: Foo Joon Liang

Speaker: Fang Zhao

Speaker: Clark Wang

Speaker: Diane Peng

Moderator: Raja Kumar Raja Kandan

Speaker: Darmain Segaran

Speaker: Pooja Chakraborty

Speaker: Carmel Proudfoot

Moderator: Lim Chee Yong

Speaker: Paul Sandosham

Speaker: Louise Azmi

Speaker: Avinash Pradhan

Speaker: Adrian See



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PROGRAMME

0830	Registration
0900	Opening Remarks
0905	Keynote Address - Prof Joongi Kim, Yonsei Law School/ICC Court Member
0920	Updates from ICC International Court of Arbitration: Tejus Chauhan (Director, Arbitration & ADR, South Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services)
0930	Session 1: The Future of Arbitration in Asia Trends, Pressures and Strategic Direction (2026 and beyond)
1045	Networking Break
1115	Session 2: Is the Belt and Road Still On Track? Disputes, Risks and Outlook for Cross-border Projects
1230	Lunch Break
1415	Session 3: Technology, AI and Digital Evidence in Arbitration: Efficiency, Risk and Responsibility
1530	Networking Break
1600	Session 4/Debate: Under Siege: Taming the Guerrilla? A Debate on Procedural Strategy, Due Process and Tribunal Powers
1715	Closing Remarks
1745	Networking Cocktails at The Majestic, KL