



CHAIR'S MESSAGE JUNE 2022

It is my privilege to write to you as Chair of the Singapore branch, following my election at the meeting of the Board of Directors following our AGM on 7 June.

I am grateful for the assistance of branch Vice Chair Tan Chuan Thye SC, and look forward to working closely with him and the rest of our fantastic Board of Directors to deliver on the current aims of CI Arb to:

- Promote the constructive resolution of disputes across the globe
- Be a global inclusive thought leader
- Develop and support an inclusive global community of diverse dispute resolvers.

I also look forward to engaging with as many of our branch members as possible. Please add our branch on [LinkedIn](#) and let us know if you would like to get more involved in our branch and our many ongoing projects – we would be thrilled to hear from you!

I take this opportunity to thank my predecessors and, in particular, Immediate Past Chair Paul Sandosham who demonstrated the strength of his leadership in steering our Branch through the turbulence of the last couple of years.

Events Past and Future

We've had some excellent events in the last three months or so. Our inaugural thought leadership lecture - which was the brainchild of Paul Sandosham - on the theme "One Minute to Midnight - Perspectives from the Little Red Dot" took place in person on 28 April 2022 at the Conrad Hotel, Singapore with our guest speaker Minister Indranee Rajah and a fantastic panel of speakers. The content was engaging and thought-provoking, and the event also provided a valuable opportunity for our members to catch up in person. You can read more [here](#).

On 20 June, we hosted a virtual "Fireside Chat" with Jane Gunn, Global President of CI Arb since January 2022, as well as Claudia Salomon, the President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration. The theme of the discussion was how ADR stakeholders can use all the tools in the ADR practitioner's toolbox for dispute resolution that is suitable to cater to different parties' objectives, and the conversation did not disappoint! Amongst other things, we heard from our speakers on arbitration, mediation, Dispute Boards, as well as the increasing use of mock arbitrations and mediations – you can read more [here](#).

We have a number of events already scheduled for the rest of the year, and I set out below those events for which we already have firm dates, so that you can mark your calendars and join us:

- 2 September 2022, 12pm to 2pm "Arbitration and Mediation: Never the Twain shall Meet?": This is an in-person event as part of Singapore Convention Week, which will also be streamed virtually, with a stellar line-up of speakers. You can register [here](#)
- 15 September 2022, 5pm to 7.30pm CI Arb-SIAC debate (hybrid format) on the topic: "This House believes that parties should not be allowed to appoint their own experts and tribunal appointed experts are the way to go"

4 October 2022

In-person event in Singapore as part of CIArb's Global Mediation Symposium which will be streamed live around the world

17 November 2022

Members' Night – an opportunity to catch up with fellow members over drinks and food in relaxed surroundings

We look forward to meeting as many of you as possible in person at the above events!

Training Past and Future

On the training front, we have:

Completed Courses

1. Module 3
2. Module 1

Upcoming Courses

1. Accelerated Route to Membership (12 to 14 July 2022)
2. Accelerated Route to Fellowship (15 to 19 August 2022)
3. Introduction to International Arbitration (20 October 2022)
4. Module 2 (3 November 2022 to 11 May 2023)

Please do sign up, where appropriate, and encourage those in your network to do so!

As you will see, there is plenty to do and I'm excited to get to work, with the sure confidence that I will be able to rely upon the support and engagement of all our members.

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Chair, CIArb Singapore
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