



CHAIR'S MESSAGE MARCH 2023

And just like that, another quarter has flown by!

Since we have emerged from Covid restrictions in Singapore, life has moved forward at a frenetic pace. There has been a strong demand for in-person events, courses, and meetings and we at CI Arb Singapore have endeavoured to meet that demand, and continue to do so.

In the last quarter, we have had three excellent hybrid events – please see pictures below! Our game-changing thought leadership at those events has spanned discussions on the utility of hot-tubbing witnesses; the mediation of investor-state disputes (and how to encourage parties to take it up); as well as emerging trends and innovations in dispute resolution. The latter two events were our first ever collaborations with the International Law Association (Singapore) and AAA-ICDR, and we hope they will be the first of many.



Hot-tubbing of Expert Witnesses: Can the baby be saved from the bathwater? (12 January 2023)



The Mediation of Investor-State Disputes – What Does the Future Hold? (23 February 2023)



Emerging Trends and Innovations in Dispute Resolution (30 March 2023)

For our next quarter, we have an exciting line-up for you.

Firstly, please join us on 18 April for “Witness statements – worth the paper they’re written on?” where our Board member Timothy Cooke will moderate a discussion with Toby Landau KC and Anneliese Day KC on how witness evidence should be presented, and whether prevailing practices in international arbitration need to change. Thanks to the assistance and generosity of FTI Consulting’s Trial and Arbitration Support Services, the event will be held both in person and virtually, with a networking reception kindly hosted by Reed Smith for those attending in person. You can sign up through the link immediately below this message:

[Register Here](#)

Please save the date for our other upcoming events, registration details for which will be released soon:

- 11 May (5:00pm SG time): “Guerrilla Warfare in International Arbitration: The Current State of Play” with Dr Michael Hwang SC, Dr Navin Ahuja, Alastair Henderson and Sarah Grimmer, kindly hosted by HSF
- 25 May (9:00am SG time): Our annual “Fireside Chat” in collaboration with the ICC, featuring a virtual interview with the ICC Court President, Claudia Salomon, and the CI Arb President, John Bassie
- 7 June (evening): “Technical Arbitrators – Do we need them?”

All our upcoming courses are set up below in this newsletter. All our courses are now taking place in person, and we encourage all of you who are not CI Arb Fellows to complete your journey to Fellowship!

Training Courses

	Month
Introduction to International Arbitration	June
Module 1 Mediation Training and Assessment	June
Accelerated Route to Membership International Arbitration	July
Module 3 Award Writing International Arbitration Award Writing	August
Module 1 Law Practice and Procedure of International Arbitration	September
Module 2 Law of Obligations	November
Accelerated Route to Fellowship International Arbitration	November

Look forward to seeing many of you in person at our upcoming events and courses.

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