

Hybrid event

In-person at Harry Elias Partnership LLP and Virtual via Zoom

5.30pm, 7 June 2023, Singapore

**THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF ARBITRATORS (SINGAPORE)
invites you to**

"Technical Arbitrators – Do we need them?"

Date: Wednesday, 7 June 2023

Time: 5.30pm to 7.30pm

(Registration starts at 5.00pm, networking reception from 6.30pm)

**In-person Venue: Harry Elias Partnership LLP
(4 Shenton Way, SGX Centre 2, #17-01, Singapore 068807)
Virtual via Zoom**

**Speakers: Johnny Tan, Ellen Ruhotas, Yvonne Foo and Michael Tonkin
Moderator: Maximilian Benz**

ABOUT THE EVENT

Join us for an engaging and thought-provoking discussion on the world of technical arbitrators. Have you ever wondered about the advantages and challenges of selecting a technical arbitrator for your dispute resolution? Or perhaps you're curious about how to select the right technical arbitrator for your case? Our panel of legal and technical experts will explore these topics and more in a lively and informative session. Don't miss your chance to gain valuable insights into this critical aspect of the arbitration process!

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

5.00pm to 5.30pm:	Registrations
5.30pm to 6.30pm:	Panel Session with Q&A
6.30pm to 7.30pm:	Networking Reception kindly hosted by Harry Elias Partnership LLP

SPEAKERS

Johnny Tan

Founding partner of LT&T Architects (1988 - 2015). After 27 years as Managing Partner of LT&T Architects, with his extensive experience in construction disputes as arbitrator, mediator and adjudicator, Johnny now practises as an independent arbitrator, mediator and adjudicator.

Johnny served as the President of Singapore Institute of Arbitrators from 2007 to 2011.

On panel of arbitrators of Singapore International Arbitration Centre, SIAC; Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration, KLRCA; Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre, HKIAC; Dubai International Arbitration Centre, DIAC; Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration, SCIA; London Court of International Arbitration, LCIA; Indian Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators, IIAM; Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, SI Arb; and Singapore Institute of Architects, SIA. Johnny is also on the Honorary Advisory Council of the National Commercial Arbitration Center of Cambodia.

He is an accredited adjudicator with the Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC) where he also sits on the Construction Adjudicator Accreditation Committee (CAAC). He is also a SIMI Accredited Mediator & a Principal Mediator with the Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC) and the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade/China Chamber of International Commerce (CCPIT/CCOIC Mediation Centre).

Ellen Ruhotas

Ellen has over 25 years of experience in Engineering, Safety, Operations, and Commercial Management of Bulk Liquid Storage Terminals and Maritime Interfaces. She has Board-level experience in the terminals sector, including expertise in all aspects of Terminal Operations for a full range of products as well as in-depth engineering design, construction, and project management of all aspects of chemical, gas, oil, and organic product storage systems. Ellen also has extensive experience working, forming, developing, managing, and operating jetties and terminal storage facilities in China, Singapore, South Korea, Malaysia, United Arab Emirates, Europe, Australia, and New Zealand.

Ellen was the Managing Director of Zenith Energy in Europe, the Regional Director of Stolthaven Terminals in Asia Pacific, and General Manager of Stolthaven China (of the Stolthaven Group). Prior to working with Stolthaven, Ellen was the General Manager of Pacific Terminals Australia and China.

Yvonne Foo

Yvonne Foo is a construction lawyer based in Singapore, working alongside employers, contractors and sub-contractors on construction projects in Singapore, South-East Asia and the Middle East. She is a partner in the Construction and Engineering practice group of Singapore-based law firm, Harry Elias Partnership LLP, and is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and an Associate Mediator at the Singapore Mediation Centre. Yvonne is also routinely involved in statutory adjudications arising out of payment disputes in Singapore.

Having practised and spent a significant period of time in the Middle East, Yvonne developed a keen appreciation of the differences and similarities between civil and common law approaches, and among stakeholders coming from various cultural backgrounds.

Yvonne speaks regularly on issues of construction law and the effective resolution of construction disputes, and has contributed to book publications on various topics, including on the recently published "FIDIC Contracts in Asia Pacific: A Practical Guide to Application".



Michael Tonkin

Michael Tonkin is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Chartered Arbitrator, RICS Accredited Expert Witness and CEDR Accredited Mediator with over 30 years of construction industry experience. He is an effective dispute resolver and has acted as quantum expert on more than 40 occasions.

Michael has been a party appointed expert witness, a single joint expert witness and a third-party expert evaluator. He has given oral testimony in traditional cross-examination as well as concurrent evidence (hot-tubbing) in international arbitrations, in Asia, Australasia and the Middle East. Michael often acts as 'coordinating expert' across several disciplines of expert.

Michael regularly provides commercial advice on formal dispute resolution, dispute avoidance and procurement. He is adept in many of the major standard forms of contract and has been employed by government bodies, large private companies, contractors and subcontractors to advise on commercial matters and procurement.



MODERATOR

Maximilian Benz

Maximilian Benz is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor with a decade of construction industry experience. He has been appointed as a quantum expert and acted as lead assistant to the named expert on numerous occasions.

Maximilian has provided analytical and technical expertise in the development of expert opinion on various quantum matters for disputed values of up to \$300 million and for project values of up to \$1 billion. He has acted as named expert and assisted experts for disputes in arbitration and litigation related to buildings, infrastructure, industrial, oil and gas, and nuclear power projects.

Maximilian's expertise includes claims management, commercial management, risk management, quantum analysis and assessment, capital project advisory, estimating, tendering, contract advisory and post contract administration. He has managed commissions to determine the contractual basis for claims, conducting forensic analyses of project data and accounts to determine the quantum, undertaking contract review, and drafting reports for the defence and implementation of claims and expert determinations.



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