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Practice Area: **Alternative
Dispute Resolution**
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Supporting Organisations:



SI Arb YPN Networking & Drinks Event 2023 “How To Get Your First Arbitrator Appointment”

Maxwell Chambers
32 Maxwell Road, Level 2, Singapore 069115
Thursday, 2 March 2023, 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm

Venue Partner:



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SI Arb YPN

The Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb) Young Practitioners Network (YPN) takes the lead on the Institute's engagement with all young arbitration practitioners with less than 10 years' experience in arbitration or below the age of 40. The YPN aims to promote a strong mentorship culture within the Institute with various mentoring initiatives and networking events. It also serves as a forum for young practitioners to exchange their thoughts and ideas on topical issues in arbitration through, amongst other events, the Annual Debate.

About this Event

The inaugural SI Arb YPN Networking & Drinks Event, organised in conjunction with other young practitioners network - namely, the Young SIAC (YSIAC), the Young International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA), and the International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR) Young & International (Y&I) - presents young professionals across these networks with the unprecedented opportunity to attend an interactive panel discussion, on the topic of 'How to Get Your First Arbitrator Appointment,' before a networking session with drinks.

To facilitate more meaningful interactions, the number of event attendees will be capped at 50 persons, with registration on a first come, first served basis for a **S\$10.00 registration fee**.

This event is intended for young arbitration professionals aged 40 years and below or with less than 10 years of arbitration experience. The SI Arb Secretariat will notify you upon your successful registration.

The registration closing date is **27 February 2023**.

Event Programme

Following brief opening remarks, the SI Arb YPN will moderate a discussion with speakers from across its co-organising networks, who will discuss how to get your first arbitrator appointment from the different perspectives of an arbitrator, as legal counsel, and from an appointing institution. Once the panel discussion concludes, all participants will be able to attend a networking session with drinks and canapes, to build more professional connections within the Singapore arbitration community.

6.00 - 6.05 pm	Opening Remarks: <i>Meera Rajah – Council Member and Co-Chair of Young Practitioners Network, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators; Associate, Sidley Austin LLP, New York</i>
6.05 - 7.05 pm	Interactive Panel Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Aastha Chawla – Director, AAA-ICDR Asia Case Management Centre</i> <i>Z.J. Jennifer Lim – Partner, Sidley Austin LLP, Singapore; Member, YSIAC Committee</i> <i>Adam Maniam – Director, Drew & Napier LLC</i> Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Cathryn Neo – Co-Chair of Young Practitioners Network, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators; Partner, PDLegal LLC</i>
7.05 - 8.00 pm	Networking Session with Drinks

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About the Speakers



Aastha Chawla is Director with AAA-ICDR's Asia Case Management Centre. She is an Indian qualified lawyer and has obtained master's degree in International Commercial Arbitration Law from Stockholm University, Sweden. Ms. Chawla has worked with leading Indian law firms and prior to joining ICDR, she was working with the dispute resolution team at Khaitan & Co., India.

In her new capacity as Director-Asia CMC, Ms. Chawla undertakes ICDR's business development and case management activities from the Asia Case Management Centre located in Singapore.



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Z.J. Jennifer Lim is Partner at Sidley Austin LLP in Singapore. She focuses her practice on international dispute resolution and arbitration, representing clients in investor-state and commercial arbitrations, including proceedings conducted under the ICSID, ICSID (Additional Facility), and UNCITRAL Rules, as well as ICC, HKIAC, SIAC and LCIA arbitrations seated in Hong Kong, Singapore, Spain, Washington DC and New York. Jennifer also sits as arbitrator and has broad experience advising on general transnational litigation matters, including arbitration-related court proceedings and complex cross-border disputes. Jennifer is an active member of the YSIAC Committee, where she is contributing to a report on resolving ESG disputes through international arbitration. Jennifer is recognized as a Who's Who Legal (WWL) “Thought Leader – Global Elite 2023: Arbitration Future Leader”, the publication's highest accolade for outstanding lawyers aged 45 or under, and has been described as “one of the best arbitration lawyers of her generation” (2023).



Adam Maniam is a Director at Drew & Napier LLC. In 2022, Adam was named Young Lawyer of the Year at the Asian Legal Business SEA Awards. He has also been identified by Who's Who Legal as a Future Leader and Global Elite Thought Leader and by the Legal 500 as a Recommended Lawyer and Next Generation Partner. He has been described in various publications as a “relentless” advocate with “mastery of the law, tactics” and “first-rate advocacy”.

Adam has a very active commercial disputes practice involving both litigation and arbitration. He has acted in ICC, SIAC and ad-hoc arbitrations for joint-venture, infrastructure, manufacturing and oil and gas disputes. Adam is regularly approached to obtain emergency orders and injunctive relief in support of high-value, complex arbitration proceedings. Adam is presently a member of the ICC Singapore Committee.

About the YPN Co-Chairs



Meera Rajah is an Associate at Sidley Austin LLP (New York). She is a triple-qualified lawyer (New York, England & Wales, and Singapore), who graduated from University College London and Columbia Law School with several prizes for academic merit. Focusing her practice on international arbitration and cross-border disputes, she represents clients in various investor-state and commercial arbitrations, including proceedings conducted under the ICSID, ICC, and SIAC Rules. While practicing, she has published in various peer-reviewed journals, including the American Review of International Arbitration and the International Journal of Evidence & Proof. She is currently a Council Member of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb) and the co-chair of the SI Arb Young Practitioners Network. She is also a Fellow of the SI Arb (FSI Arb), as well as accredited as a mediator by both the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) and the Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC).

She will be delivering the opening remarks, on behalf of the SI Arb YPN.



Cathryn Neo is a bilingual (English and Mandarin), triple-qualified (Singapore, England & Wales, and Australia (Vic)) dispute resolution partner at PDLegal LLC. Cathryn has a broad commercial disputes practice with experience in international arbitration, insolvency and restructuring, and mediation. She also works closely with PDLegal's China Practice to advise clients on cross-border China-related disputes.

Cathryn regularly assists clients in managing cross-border litigation, including before the Australian, Brunei and Indonesian courts. She has advised and acted for global financial institutions in several prominent contentious insolvency and restructuring matters in the Singapore courts.

She has co-authored a book chapter and several case reports on landmark arbitration decisions which are published in Kluwer Institute for Transnational Arbitration Case Reports. Cathryn is a committee member of the Beihai Asia International Arbitration Centre and is also the co-chair chairperson of the Young Practitioners Network for the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb). She is also a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (FSI Arb) and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCI Arb).

She will be moderating the interactive panel discussion, on behalf of the SI Arb YPN.



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