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Key Issues in International Arbitration in the Asia Pacific Region

5th December 2013
InterContinental Hotel Sydney

Topics:

- Are there particular characteristics of international arbitration in the Asia-Pacific region?
- Asia Pacific international arbitration capability
- Road blocks to efficiency and economy in international commercial arbitration
- Investor state arbitration in the region

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Programme

8.30am - 5pm	Registration
9 -9.15am	Welcome address The Hon Justice James Allsop AO, Chief Justice, Federal Court of Australia
9.15 -10.45am	<p>Are there particular characteristics of international arbitration in the Asia-Pacific Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross-cultural (civil law, developing law, common law legal systems in the region). • The prevalence of UNCITRAL adhoc arbitrations. <p>Chair: Doug Jones AO, Clayton Utz, Sydney Speakers: Ben Hughes, Arbitrator and Mediator, Korea Ariel Ye, King & Wood Mallesons, Beijing, China Sunil Abraham, Vice-Chair, Asia Pacific Regional Forum, Zul Rafique Lawyers, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia Yoshimi Ohara, Nagashimi Ohno & Tsunematsu, Tokyo, Japan</p>
10.45 - 11.15am	Morning tea
11.15am - 12.45pm	<p>Asia Pacific International arbitration capability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Safe seat” syndrome • Growth of arbitral centres in the region • The development of professional capabilities in the region • Educational initiatives within the region <p>Chair: Ian Nosworthy, Cowell Clarke, Adelaide Speakers: John Beechey, ICC International Court of Arbitration, Paris, France Neil Kaplan CBE, QC, SBS, Hong Kong Malcolm Holmes QC, Wentworth Chambers, Sydney, Australia Michael Pryles, President, SIAC Court of Arbitration, Singapore</p>
12.45 -1.45pm	Lunch
1.45 - 3.15pm	<p>Road blocks to efficiency and economy in international commercial arbitration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exchanges of cases, • Document disclosure, • Speedy arbitral awards • Tailor made procedures <p>Chair: Anne Véronique Schläpfer, Vice-Chair for the Arbitration Committee, Schellenberg Wittmer, Geneva, Switzerland Speakers: Michael Schneider, Lalive Lawyers, Geneva, Switzerland David W. Rivkin, IBA Vice-President, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP New York, USA Shreyas Jayasimha, AZB Partners, Bangalore, India Ron Salter, Arbitrator & Mediator, Melbourne, Australia</p>
3.15-3.45pm	Afternoon tea
3.45-5.15pm	<p>Investor state arbitration in the region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developments in investor state arbitration policy and proceedings in the region including; • The Australia policy on ISDR, • New cases in the region • Institutional influence in investor state arbitration eg ICSI, PCA etc. <p>Chair: Michael Polkinghorne, White & Case LLP, Paris, France Speakers: Chester Brown, University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia Judith Levine, Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague, The Netherlands Lucy Reed, Freshfields, London, United Kingdom Jingzhou Tao, Dechert LLP Beijing</p>
6 -7.30pm	<p>Cocktail Function Clayton Utz, Level 15, 1 Bligh Street, Sydney</p>

Registration Form

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	Early-bird fee (paid on or before 2nd September 2013)	Regular fee (paid after 2nd September 2013)
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Information

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Language

All working sessions and conference material will be in English

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