

## HYBRID SEMINAR

# UNFOLDING CONVERSATIONS: TO ARBITRATE OR TO MEDIATE? DECIDING ON THE MOST APPROPRIATE ALTERNATE DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISM FOR MARITIME AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE DISPUTES

**31 AUGUST 2023**

**THURSDAY**

**5.00PM - 7.00PM**

(GMT +8/SINGAPORE TIME)

**IN-PERSON NETWORKING**

**7.00PM - 8.00PM**

(Drinks and finger food provided)

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Alternate  
Dispute Resolution  
Training Level: General

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Arbitration has been widely regarded as the dominant Alternative Dispute Resolution (“ADR”) mechanism. One of its main attractions is the extensive and almost global enforcement of arbitral awards through the New York Convention. By contrast, prior to the Singapore Convention on Mediation, settlement agreements reached through mediation have not enjoyed the same ease and breadth of enforcement.

With the adoption of the Convention on International Settlement Agreements Resulting from Mediation on 20 December 2018 (the “Singapore Convention”) by the United Nations General Assembly for recognition and reciprocal enforcement of settlement agreements, the landscape for ADR has notably shifted. It is hoped that in time, more countries will sign up to and ratify the Singapore Convention so that international mediation settlement agreements may also be readily enforced widely.

With so many options, how should parties decide or choose the most appropriate and current dispute resolution mechanism to resolve present and future maritime and international trade disputes? The SCMA is pleased to host a discussion to distill the key considerations to arrive at an answer to this question and contemplate the future of ADR. To this end, the SCMA has curated a diverse and esteemed panel, comprising arbitrators, mediators, adjudicators, commercial judges, legal practitioners, and industry professionals to share their unique perspectives.

## PANEL



**LEE WAI PONG**  
LWP.SG CONSULTANTS  
**MODERATOR**



**ANDREW MORAN, KC**  
THE ARBITRATION CHAMBERS  
DIFC COURTS



**SIR BERNARD EDER, KC**  
SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL  
COMMERCIAL COURT



**CAROLINE YANG**  
HONG LAM MARINE



**CORINA SONG**  
ALLEN & GLEDHILL



**DARYLL NG**  
STEPHENSON HARWOOD  
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**EUNICE CHUA**  
FINANCIAL INDUSTRY DISPUTES  
RESOLUTION CENTRE



**LAWRENCE TEH**  
DENTONS RODDYK & DAVIDSON



**LEE WAI PONG**

Founder  
LWP.SG CONSULTANTS

**MODERATOR**

Wai Pong is an arbitrator, mediator, adjudicator, and ADR consultant. He founded LWP.Sg Consultants in 2016 and, until 2023, was also the Regional Advisor to the Thomas Miller Group, Managers of the UK P&I Club.

With a career spanning more than 5 decades, Wai Pong has extensive experience in the maritime, marine insurance and alternate dispute resolution sectors.

He was the first full-time Executive Director of SCMA and is a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, Principal Mediator of the Singapore Mediation Centre, and an Adjudicator of the Financial Industry Dispute Resolution Centre.



**ANDREW MORAN, KC**

Arbitrator  
THE ARBITRATION CHAMBERS

International Judge  
DUBAI INTERNATIONAL  
FINANCIAL CENTRE COURTS

Andrew Moran, KC is an independent, full-time, international commercial arbitrator, with over 30 years' experience as arbitrator and judge. He is based at The Arbitration Chambers in Singapore, and is also a member of 6 Pump Court Chambers, London. He was in practice for over 40 years as Counsel. Andrew took Silk 30 years ago and, in that role, led teams of lawyers in complex commercial, civil and maritime cases. He is a Senior Master of the Bench of the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn. Recently, he was appointed as a Justice of the Court of Appeal and Court of First Instance of the Dubai International Financial Centre ("DIFC"). His jurisdiction includes supervision of arbitrations seated in the DIFC.



**SIR BERNARD EDER, KC**

Independent Arbitrator  
Independent Mediator

International Judge  
SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL  
COMMERCIAL COURT

Sir Bernard is an international arbitrator and International Judge at the Singapore International Commercial Court. He began practice as a barrister, taking Silk in 1990. In 2011, he was appointed a Judge of the High Court of England and Wales, where he sat until 2015, mainly in the Commercial Court.

Sir Bernard was formerly the Senior Editor of *Scrutton on Charterparties* and Chair of ARIAS (UK). He has been appointed as arbitrator in over 400 arbitrations. He is ranked Band 1 (International Arbitrators, UK) in both Chambers and Legal 500, and was awarded Lawyer of the Year (UK) – International Arbitration (Lawyer Monthly Legal Awards 2022).



**CAROLINE YANG**

Chief Executive  
HONG LAM MARINE

Caroline is the current President of Singapore Shipping Association and has served the association since 2019 as its first female President. She also assumes the role of Chief Executive at Hong Lam Marine Pte Ltd and is a Vice-Chair of the International Chamber of Shipping. She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore and the Singapore Maritime Foundation.

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**CORINA SONG**  
Partner  
ALLEN & GLEDHILL

Corina is the Vice-Chairperson of the Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration and a partner at Allen & Gledhill LLP. She has extensive experience in shipping and international trade disputes, and is recognised as a highly regarded litigator by leading publications such as Legal 500 and Chambers.

Corina is actively involved in the legal community as a Council Member of the International Bar Association's Legal Practice Division, and is the Immediate Past Co-Chair of the IBA Maritime & Transport Law Committee, and Secretary of the Maritime Law Association of Singapore.



**DARYLL NG**  
Partner  
STEPHENSON HARWOOD  
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Daryll is a partner at Virtus Law, and a partner of the Stephenson Harwood Singapore office. He has specialised in marine and commercial dispute resolution for more than 20 years. Qualified to practise in Singapore and the UK, Daryll has appeared in the Singapore Court and acted in numerous arbitrations and mediations.

Daryll has been recognised in Asia Business Law Journal's A-list of Singapore's Top 100 Lawyers, Asialaw Leading Lawyers, The Legal 500, and Chambers Asia Pacific.



**EUNICE CHUA**  
Chief Executive Officer  
FINANCIAL INDUSTRY  
DISPUTES RESOLUTION  
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Eunice leads the Financial Industry Dispute Resolution Centre that provides mediation and adjudication to consumers with disputes against licensed financial institutions. Before that, Eunice was Assistant Professor at the Singapore Management University School of Law. She remains a Research Fellow at the Singapore International Dispute Resolution Academy. She is a Principal Mediator and Trainer of the Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC).

Eunice was formerly a Justices' Law Clerk and an Assistant Registrar in the Supreme Court of Singapore. She was also Assistant Director of SMC and Deputy CEO of the Singapore International Mediation Centre.



**LAWRENCE TEH**  
Senior Partner  
DENTONS RODYK &  
DAVIDSON  
Global Co-Head  
(International Arbitration)  
DENTONS

Lawrence is the Global Co-Head of Dentons' International Arbitration practice and a senior partner in the maritime practice. He has wide experience handling maritime and commercial disputes, including those related to carriage of goods, international trade and commodities, charterparties, and ship and offshore construction, amongst others.

Lawrence advises and acts as lead counsel, appearing regularly in court, arbitrations, mediations, and other forms of dispute resolution. He is also regularly appointed as arbitrator by international arbitration institutions and in *ad hoc* arbitrations.

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