Challenges and opportunities for Asia-Pacific international arbitration - Symposium

When
FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2019
9.30AM – 5.00PM
Cocktail reception: 5-6pm

Where
Sydney Law School, LAW LOUNGE, LEVEL 1, New Law Building Annex (F10A), Eastern Avenue, Camperdown

Registration (inc. GST)
Full fee: $170
Sydney Law School alumni/ Government: $140
Students / Full-time academics/ NGOs: $80

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This symposium is a joint project with University of Hong Kong; following the symposium there on 15 July. Co-hosted by the Centre for Asian and Pacific Law (CAPLUS) at Sydney Law School, supported by the Sydney Centre for International Law (SCIL).

The symposium’s media partner is Transnational Dispute Management (TDM).

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About the symposium
Building on Reyes & Gu (eds), The Developing World of Arbitration: A Comparative Study of Arbitration Reform in the Asia-Pacific (Hart, 2018), this symposium examines more recent challenges for international commercial arbitration (ICA), especially the proliferation of international commercial courts, the 2018 UN Convention on enforcement of mediated settlement agreements, and dispute resolution for the Belt & Road initiative. The main focus is on Hong Kong and Singapore (competing jurisdictions in the top "Stage 4" for ICA venues, as identified by Reyes & Gu), Australia (a "Stage 3" venue), China and Japan ("Stage 2" venues).

The symposium will also compare approaches in these jurisdictions to investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS). Building on Chaisse and Nottage (eds) International Investment Treaties and Arbitration Across Asia (Brill, 2018), participants will chart evolving treaty practices and high-profile ISDS cases (including eg in Indonesia), assess whether these do or might impact on public attitudes even towards ICA or other forms of arbitration, and explore alternatives or complements to ISDS.

Speakers
Professor Shahla Ali, University of Hong Kong
Professor Vivienne Bath, The University of Sydney Law School

Adjunct Professor Max Bonnell, Henry William Lawyers & The University of Sydney
Professor Simon Bronitt, Dean, The University of Sydney Law School
Professor Simon Butt, The University of Sydney Law School
Professor James Claxton, Kobe University
The Hon. Dr Clyde Croft AM SC, Supreme Court of Victoria
Daniel Forster, Sparke Helmore Lawyers & The University of Sydney Law School
Dr Benjamin Hayward, Monash University
Brenda Horrigan, ACICA President & Herbert Smith Freehills
Associate Professor Jeanne Huang, The University of Sydney Law School
Associate Professor Amokura Kawharu, The University of Auckland
The Hon. Kevin Lindgren AM QC FAAL, formerly Federal Court of Australia
Wilson Mbugua, University of Hong Kong
James Morrison, ACICA & Morrison Law
Professor Luke Nottage, The University of Sydney Law School
Jonathan Redwood, Banco Chambers
Yi Tang, University of Hong Kong
Dr Nobumichi (Nobu) Teramura, University of Adelaide
Professor Leon Trakman, UNSW
Professor The Hon Marilyn Warren AC QC, former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria