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Unlocking the Power of Arbitration: A Joint Roundtable Discussion

Mahanakorn Partners Group (MPG) and the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) proudly present a collaborative and insightful Roundtable Discussion, set to take place on Wednesday, 18 October 2023. This exclusive event will be hosted at the prestigious MPG Law offices, located at Kian Gwan House III, 152 Wireless Road, Bangkok.

Distinguished Representatives

This dynamic event will feature esteemed speakers who are at the forefront of the arbitration landscape:

- Luca Bernardinetti, Chairman and Managing Partner, MPG
- Gloria Lim, Chief Executive Officer, SIAC
- Snigdha Bhatta, Deputy Counsel, SIAC

Program Highlights

The Roundtable Discussion will commence at 9:00am, delving into a comprehensive exploration of arbitration's evolving landscape. Participants will have the unique opportunity to engage in an open and interactive dialogue with the MPG and SIAC teams, gaining invaluable insights into the latest developments in arbitration.

Key Discussion Points

During the event, Luca Bernardinetti will delve into case studies involving project finance disputes in large-scale, cross-border capital projects and infrastructure transactions. Gloria Lim and her team will shed light on essential aspects of arbitration at SIAC, including an in-depth overview of the SIAC Rules. The discussion will encompass pivotal topics such as the Expedited Procedure, Emergency Arbitration, Early Dismissal, Joinder and Consolidation, as well as innovative hybrid processes like Arb-Med-Arb.



Engaging Networking

Following the stimulating Roundtable, a networking session will provide an ideal platform for attendees to connect with fellow participants, further exchanging ideas and forging meaningful connections.

Seize the Opportunity

We extend a warm invitation to legal professionals, practitioners, and enthusiasts eager to expand their knowledge in the realm of arbitration. This event promises to be an insightful convergence of minds, offering a unique blend of expertise and perspectives.

Don't miss this chance to engage with the foremost experts in the field of arbitration. Secure your spot today and be a part of this illuminating Roundtable Discussion. We eagerly anticipate your presence.

Agenda

Date	Wednesday, 18 October 2023
Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Roundtable Discussion at 9:00am – 10:30am▪ Q&A at 10:30am – 11:00am▪ Networking Session at 11: 00am – 12:00pm
Venue	Kian Gwan House III, 9 th Floor, 152 Wireless Road Lumpini, Pathumwan, Bangkok, 10330, Thailand

For inquiries and registration, please contact info@mahanakornpartners.com

Join us for an inspiring exchange of insights and ideas, shaping the future of arbitration together. We look forward to welcoming you at this prestigious event.

Sincerely,

Mahanakorn Partners Group



About MPG

Mahanakorn Partners Group (MPG) is a leading law firm headquartered in Bangkok, with an ASEAN presence and a global footprint. Over the past 24 years, MPG has garnered numerous accolades, consistently earning its place as one of the top-tier law firms in Thailand, highly recommended by virtually all Embassies and Chambers of Commerce. The firm prides itself on its roster of seasoned lawyers hailing from Thailand, Europe, North America, and the Asia Pacific.

Renowned for its comprehensive legal services, MPG caters to a diverse clientele, both domestic and international. Boasting a stellar reputation across various legal domains, MPG has emerged as the preferred legal partner for enterprises seeking expertise in corporate and commercial law, banking and finance, mergers and acquisitions, intellectual property, real estate, employment matters, as well as litigation and alternative dispute resolution. Notably, MPG has successfully resolved numerous complex multi-million dollar disputes and provided counsel on multi-billion dollar infrastructure projects..

MPG is accredited by the Thai Bar Association Under The Royal Patronage and the Lawyers Council of Thailand Under The Royal Patronage. It also holds the distinction of being a certified advisor of the Public Debt Management Office (PDMO) under the Ministry of Finance, offering advisory services pertaining to capital projects, public-private partnerships, and infrastructure. Furthermore, MPG has garnered recognition as a recommended Law Firm by the World Bank Group.

Over the years, MPG has significantly contributed to policy-making and advisory functions for several government agencies in Thailand. Notably, the firm proudly serves as the official law firm of the Singapore Business Federation (SBF).



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About SIAC

Since its inception in 1991 as an independent, not-for-profit organization, SIAC has built a reputation for delivering top-notch arbitration services to the global business community. SIAC arbitration awards have been recognized and enforced in numerous jurisdictions, including Australia, China, Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Thailand, the UK, the USA, and Vietnam, among other signatories to the New York Convention. As a global arbitral institution, SIAC offers cost-effective and efficient case management services to parties from around the world.

SIAC's Board of Directors and its Court of Arbitration comprise distinguished lawyers and professionals from various parts of the world. The Board oversees SIAC's operations, business strategy, development, and corporate governance matters. The Court's primary responsibilities encompass appointing arbitrators and providing general supervision over case administration at SIAC. With an experienced international panel of over 600 expert arbitrators hailing from more than 40 jurisdictions, SIAC makes appointments based on a thorough understanding of an arbitrator's expertise, experience, and track record. Notably, SIAC's panel includes over 100 seasoned arbitrators in the fields of Energy, Engineering, Procurement, and Construction, representing more than 25 jurisdictions.

The SIAC Rules furnish a state-of-the-art procedural framework that facilitates efficient, expert, and enforceable resolution of international disputes of varying sizes and complexities involving parties from diverse legal systems and cultures.

SIAC's dedicated staff manages all financial aspects of the arbitration process, including:

- Regular account updates
- Collection of deposits for arbitration costs
- Handling the Tribunal's fees and expenses

SIAC diligently oversees and monitors case progress, enhancing the enforceability of awards.





Our Speakers

Luca Bernardinetti Chairman & Managing Partner Mahanakorn Partners Group

Luca Bernardinetti is Chairman and Managing Partner of MPG. In his role, he spearheads the Banking & Finance division, providing strategic guidance encompassing trade finance, corporate finance, project finance, and cross-border legal advisory.



With a distinguished career spanning over two decades, Mr. Bernardinetti has garnered profound expertise in diverse domains including mergers and acquisitions, banking, financial transactions, capital projects, infrastructure, and public-private partnerships.

Beyond his role at MPG, Mr. Bernardinetti serves on the Board of Directors of the Thai-Italian Chamber of Commerce, and chairs the Business Economics Committee at the American Chamber of Commerce in Thailand (AmCham). Furthermore, Mr. Bernardinetti is a Member of the Thailand International Chamber of Commerce's Commission on Banking Technique & Practices. His tenure as the former President of the European Association for Business and Commerce (EABC) underscores his leadership and advocacy within a global context.

In academia, Mr. Bernardinetti shares his insights as a guest lecturer at prominent ASEAN institutions including Chulalongkorn University and Thammasat University. His intellectual contributions extend to international platforms, including engagements organized by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN ESCAP). A sought-after media commentator, Mr. Bernardinetti's insightful perspectives have graced the airwaves of distinguished global news outlets such as BBC World Business Report, CNN and The New York Times, on matters of business, economics and finance, on numerous occasions.



Gloria Lim
CEO
SIAC

As the Chief Executive Officer of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), Gloria works closely with the Chairman and the Board in formulating and fulfilling the vision and strategies for SIAC, and is responsible for the institution's overall management and operations.



Gloria was previously the Director of the Legal Industry Division in Singapore's Ministry of Law (MinLaw) and concurrently held the statutory appointment of Director of Legal Services, heading its Legal Services Regulatory Authority. As Director of the Legal Industry Division, she oversaw the development of Singapore's legal sector, including the development and promotion of Singapore's international dispute resolution regime.

Gloria headed the Singapore delegation involved in UNCITRAL Working Group II (Dispute Settlement) discussions from 2019-2021 and continues to participate as a member of the delegation.

Gloria is called to the Singapore Bar. She also holds a Graduate Certificate in International Arbitration from NUS and an LL.M from Harvard University.



Snigdha Bhatta

Deputy Counsel

SIAC

Snigdha is a Nepal-qualified, India-trained lawyer with over 6 years of experience in international dispute resolution, technology law, intellectual property law and general corporate governance across Asia. As a Deputy Counsel at the SIAC, she manages international arbitrations under various



arbitral rules and governing laws and has reviewed hundreds of arbitral awards, including emergency arbitrator awards.

She also holds an LLM in Intellectual Property and Technology Law from the National University of Singapore and a B.A.LL.B (Hons) degree from the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences (NUJS), Kolkata, India. During her time at NUS, she worked for the Centre for Technology, Robotics, Artificial Intelligence & the Law (TRAIL) and Harvard Law School's Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society.

Prior to joining SIAC, she practiced litigation and arbitration at a top-tier law firm in Kathmandu. Snigdha is fluent in English, Nepali, Hindi and Urdu.



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