



# 24<sup>th</sup> WORLD FORUM OF MEDIATION CENTRES



**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 & SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017**

*with welcome evening cocktail on Thursday, October 12, 2017*



# SINGAPORE



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Forum organised by the UIA with the support of the Singapore International Dispute Resolution Academy (SIDRA), the Singapore International Mediation Centre (SIMC), the Singapore International Mediation Institute (SIMI) and the Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC)

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# Introduction

## Bringing together the world's lawyers

*For over 85 years, the Union Internationale des Avocats (UIA - International Association of Lawyers) has been defending the legal profession and facilitating international contacts, cooperation and the exchange of knowledge among lawyers, while respecting their cultural and professional diversity.*

Today, the UIA brings together several thousand members – lawyers or law professionals – and hundreds of bars, federations and associations.

## Join the UIA and become a member of the world's strongest network of lawyers

- You will participate in the work of the UIA Commissions in Business Law, Human Rights and General Practice and share your experience with that of professionals from over 110 countries.
- You will also be able to join forces with the UIA, which, each year, provides its support to lawyers who cannot freely practise their profession. Everywhere in the world where rights of defence are threatened or the proper administration of justice is hindered, the UIA will make your voice heard.

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Since 2001, the **World Forum of Mediation Centres** brings together the best commercial mediation practitioners and ADR centres from around the world, together with managers, academics, teachers, trainers, lawyers, practitioners, and all those interested in learning more about mediation.

The Forum takes place every 9 months in different countries around the world. It fosters the exchange of views on the development of ADR, enhancing knowledge and best practices, giving new ideas, ensuring the best understanding of ADR, and learning from other cultures.

**The meeting in Singapore will be the 24<sup>th</sup> since the creation of the Forum.**

This Forum will again be exceptional. Singapore is the place to go for learning about mediation. Besides, the city of Singapore is more than fantastic to discover and visit.

The various sessions of the Forum will be stimulating and attractive, bringing together experienced mediators looking forward to sharing their views with other practitioners who are willing to ameliorate and discussing development of mediation and their practice. It will also be again the opportunity for academics and teachers from various countries to share views about ADR and to meet and discuss with managers, practitioners and users of mediation. The UIA Forum offers the international solid base to trigger regular and constructive group discussions, lively debates on various topics, and ideas of development.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn and enhance your practice with your mediator colleagues coming from all over the world.

**The Singapore Forum will be an unforgettable international event. Practitioners from all the continents have already confirmed their participation.**

Mark your diaries now, save the dates and make sure to register!


**We are looking forward to welcoming you to Singapore!**



Thursday | October | 12 | 2017

19:00 – 21:00 WELCOME COCKTAIL

*Kindly offered by the Singapore Convention Bureau*  
Venue to be confirmed



Friday | October | 13 | 2017

**08:30 – 09:00** REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

**Hotel Jen Tanglin Singapore**  
1A Cuscaden Road Singapore 249716

**09:00 – 09:30** WELCOME AND OPENING OF THE SEMINAR

- **Fabienne VAN DER VLEUGEL**, *President of the UIA World Forum of Mediation Centres, Attorney of the Meaux and New York Bars, Founding Partner of VDV Avocats, Serris, France*
- **Joe BEHAN**, *Vice-President of the UIA World Forum of Mediation Centres, Mediator-Arbitrator, Behan Dispute Resolution, Dublin, Ireland*
- **Professor Yihan GOH**, *Dean of Law at the Singapore Management University, Singapore*

**09:30 – 10:45** THE SINGAPORE DISPUTE RESOLUTION LANDSCAPE: WHAT DO MEDIATION CENTERS ALL MEAN AND HOW DO THEY WORK TOGETHER?

**Moderator:** • **Fabienne VAN DER VLEUGEL**, *President of the UIA World Forum of Mediation Centres, Attorney of the Meaux and New York Bars, Founding Partner of VDV Avocats, Serris, France*

**Speakers:**

- **Mr. George LIM**, *Mediator and Chair of the Board of the Singapore International Mediation Centre (SIMC)*
- **Prof. Nadja ALEXANDER**, *Academic Director Designate, Singapore International Dispute Resolution Academy (SIDRA), Singapore Management University, Singapore*
- **Associate Prof. Tye Beng (Joel) LEE**, *Chair of the Board of Singapore International Mediation Institute (SIMI)*
- **Mr. Loong SENG ONN**, *Executive Director of the Singapore Mediation Centre (SMC)*

Debate and general discussion with the audience

**10:45 – 11:15** COFFEE BREAK

**11:15 – 12:30** WHAT IS A “POUND” WORTH? INSIGHTS FROM THE WORLDWIDE GLOBAL POUND CONFERENCE SERIES 2016-17

The use of ADR in dispute resolution has evolved considerably since the first Pound Conference was held in the USA in 1976. Forty years later, stakeholders involved in commercial dispute resolution came together in a series of conferences in over 30 cities on six continents over 16 months. Users, lawyers, ADR providers, educators, and others met to discuss a common set of core questions involving ADR in commercial disputes. The first of the GPC Series occurred here in Singapore in March 2016. Join our panel as they share their analysis of, and insights from, this unprecedented event, so that you, too, can help to shape the future of ADR in your area of the world.

**Moderator & Speaker:** • **Ross W. STODDARD, III**, *Attorney-Mediator, Dallas, TX, USA*

**Speakers:**

- **Emma-May LITCHFIELD**, *NMAS Accredited Mediator, Facilitator and Coach, Resolution Resources, Melbourne, Australia*
- **Danielle HUTCHINSON**, *Lawyer, Mediator and Facilitator, Resolution Resources, Melbourne, Australia*
- **Dorcas QUEK**, *Assistant Professor, Singapore Management University, Singapore*

**12:30 – 14:00** LUNCH

**14:00 – 15:15** THE POWER OF MEDIATION IN PROJECT DISPUTES

In this session the speakers will draw on their vast experience in construction, infrastructural and environmental projects to examine; dispute avoidance methods and DABs, partnerships and collaboration and the space for and timing of mediation.

**Moderator:** • **Fabienne VAN DER VLEUGEL**, *President of the UIA World Forum of Mediation Centres, Attorney of the Meaux and New York Bars, Founding Partner of VDV Avocats, Serris, France*

**Speakers:**

- **Joe BEHAN**, *Mediator-Arbitrator, Behan Dispute Resolution, Member of CIETAC, Dublin, Ireland*
- **Alan LIMBURY**, *Attorney, Arbitrator and Mediator, Limbury, Sydney, Australia*
- **Lawrence TAN**, *Eldan Law LLP, Singapore*
- **Fleur KINGHAM**, *President of the Land Court of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia*

**15:15 – 15:45** COFFEE BREAK

**15:45 – 17:00** REGULATORY ROBUSTNESS FOR MEDIATION REGIMES: AN INTERNATIONAL COMPARISON

The Regulatory Robustness Rating (RRR) System offers jurisdictions a series of ratings according to the perceived robustness of their regulatory framework in relation to cross-border mediation. It aims to support legal advisers and other users of mediation to make informed choices about the type of regulatory frameworks that support best practice mediation and where to find them.

The RRR offers a way to:

- analyse the quality and robustness of a jurisdiction's legal framework for cross-border mediation;
- factor such an analysis into choices about governing law in mediation clauses and other agreements;
- inform law and policy making in relation to cross-border mediation.

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**Speakers:**

- **Mazen TAJEDDINE**, *Head Legal Counsel, Minister's Office, Ministry of Justice, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates*
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- **Catherine LECLERCQ**, *Partner at Armand Associes, Member of the Bar Council of Paris, Chartered Mediator at the Mediation and Arbitration Parisian Center (CMAP), Paris, France*
- **Zoe GIANNOPOULOU**, *Lawyer, International Mediator, Founding member of European Institute for Conflict Resolution, Deputy Chief Executive at ADR-ODR International, Thessaloniki, Greece*
- **Rahim SHAMJI**, *Founder and CEO of ADR-ODR INT, Mediator, Negotiator and Barrister, London, United Kingdom*

Debate and general discussion with the audience

**17:15** SPECIAL COCKTAIL EVENT OF THE SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION ACADEMY

**Hotel Jen Tanglin Singapore**  
1A Cuscaden Road Singapore 249716

**20:00** DINNER & DANCING

Venue to be confirmed

## 08:45 – 09:30 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

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## 09:30 – 10:45 JOIN US FOR A FUN, INTERACTIVE SESSION!

Participants will use electronic remote controls to anonymously vote on various mediation scenarios. Then, we will have a question and answer session about the hot topics generated during the Gameshow.

- **Kimberly SCHREIBER**, Attorney, Mediator, Partner at Guffey & Schreiber, Memphis, TN, USA
- **David ADAMS**, Mediator, Founding Partner of Training Resolved, LLC, Memphis, TN, USA
- **Cezary ROGULA**, Attorney-at-Law (Polish Bar), Accredited Mediator, Joint Ph.D. Candidate, Adw. Cezary Rogula Law & Mediation Office, Krakow, Poland

## 10:45 – 11:15 COFFEE BREAK

## 11:15 – 12:30 ADR TOURISM: CAN MEDIATION MATCH ARBITRATION?

The country of Mauritius has a stable government and excellent transport infrastructure, which makes it an attractive destination for business and commercial dispute resolution. This session will focus on the rise of ADR in the country and consider whether it can follow the same financial and legal trends as Singapore.

**Moderator:** • **Prof. Nadja ALEXANDER**, Academic Director Designate, Singapore International Dispute Resolution Academy (SIDRA), Singapore Management University, Singapore

### Speakers:

- **Aloysius GOH**, Deputy CEO, Singapore International Mediation Centre, Singapore
- **Aneesha BHUNJUN**, Lead Representative for Mauritius ADR-ODR International, Head of the Probate Department, Wainwright & Cummins Solicitors LLP, Barrister and Practising Solicitor, Qualified Mediator and Trainer, London, UK
- **Jeffry ABRAMS**, Attorney, Mediator, Arbitrator, Houston, TX, USA

## 12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH

## 14:00 – 15:00 ODR & MODRON

During this session you will be introduced to the newest dispute resolution technology MODRON. MODRON is the first ever online dispute resolution

product which uses cloud technology and integrated tools to enable mediators to resolve disputes and manage their cases online.

**Moderator:** • **Joe BEHAN**, Mediator-Arbitrator, Behan Dispute Resolution, Member of CIETAC, Dublin, Ireland

### Speakers:

- **Richelle Nicols GAICD**, Managing Director, Modron, Sydney, Australia
- **Nathan POLITO**, CEO, Modron, Sydney, Australia

Debate and general discussion with the audience

## 15:00 – 15:30 COFFEE BREAK

## 15:30 – 16:30 FACE, HARMONY, HIERARCHY AND RELATIONSHIPS: AN ASIAN PERSPECTIVE ON MEDIATION"

Associate Prof. Tye Beng (Joel) LEE of the National University of Singapore will discuss the aspects of mediation that are characteristically Asian, and the pressing need for Western practitioners to acquaint themselves with Asian perspectives before undertaking cross-cultural mediation. Prof. Lee, co-editor of "An Asian Perspective on Mediation" (2009), heads the Singapore International Mediation Institute (established 2014) which functions as an accreditation and regulatory body for mediation in Singapore. He will be interviewed by Forum member F. Peter Phillips of the United States, and participants will be encouraged to take part in the conversation.

**Moderator:** • **F. Peter PHILLIPS**, Business Conflict Management LLC, Montclair, NJ, USA

### Speaker:

- **Associate Prof. Tye Beng (Joel) LEE**, Chair of the Board of Singapore International Mediation Institute (SIMI)

## 16:30 – 17:30 NEWS FROM THE CENTRES

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- **Announcement of place of next 25<sup>th</sup> UIA World Forum**

## 20:00 Optional dinner

Venue to be confirmed





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## General Information

### SEMINAR VENUE

**Hotel Jen Tanglin Singapore**  
1A Cuscaden Road Singapore 249716  
T +65 6738 2222 / [www.hoteljen.com](http://www.hoteljen.com)

### REGISTRATION FEES

The registration fees for the Forum are:

**€ 340 until September 12, 2017 included**

**€ 390 from September 13, 2017 onwards**

These fees cover participation in the forum, welcome cocktail on Thursday, October 12, coffee breaks, lunches on Friday, October 13 and Saturday, October 14, as well as the dinner on Friday, October 13. The dinner on Saturday, October 14 is optional and at additional charges.

Please note that the number of places at the forum is limited. The organisers reserve the right to refuse registrations in the event of excess applications.

### CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

Every participant attending the seminar will receive a “Certificate of Participation” at the end of the event that may be used for obtaining “Credits” for “Continuing Legal Education” – “Continuing Professional Development” purposes, depending on national rules. For more information, please contact the UIA.

### LANGUAGE

The working language will be **English**.

## HOTEL ROOM RESERVATION

A limited number of rooms has been pre-booked at a preferential rate. Reservations should be made directly through the hotel. Credit card details must be given in order to secure your reservation. Please note that the number of rooms is limited. We recommend that you proceed with your reservations as soon as possible.

Hotel	Rates
<b>Hotel Jen Tanglin Singapore</b>	Single room <b>S\$ 220.00</b>
<i>Seminar venue</i>	Double room <b>S\$ 240.00</b>
1A Cuscaden Road Singapore 249716	<b>Breakfast &amp; high speed Wi-Fi access included</b>
T +65 6738 2222	<b>Taxes NOT included currently 10% service charge and 7% government taxes</b>
E <a href="mailto:hjts@hoteljen.com">hjts@hoteljen.com</a>	
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Please download the hotel reservation form from our Website: [www.uianet.org](http://www.uianet.org)

## CANCELLATION CONDITIONS

All cancellations will be subject to a 50% deduction and will have to be sent in writing, to be received by the Union Internationale des Avocats **no later than September 12, 2017**. No refund will be made for cancellations received after this date.

## VISAS

Anyone who requires a visa invitation letter in order to attend the seminar should register and pay their registration fees **no later than September 12, 2017** to ensure there is enough time to obtain a visa.

All cancellations will be refunded in full, minus €50 to cover administrative costs, provided that the UIA has received the registration documents and **total registration fees no later than September 12, 2017**.

If you register after this date, only 50% of the amount paid minus €50 to cover administrative costs will be refunded for cancellations due to visa refusals.

All cancellations due to a visa refusal must be sent in writing and reach the UIA **before the seminar**. Cancellations must be accompanied by a **proof of visa refusal**.

If your visa is issued after the seminar date or if you do not have proof of visa refusal, you will not be entitled to a refund.

## GENERAL CONDITIONS

All registrations received by the Union Internationale des Avocats (UIA) along with the full payment of fees corresponding to the events selected will be confirmed in writing.

The UIA reserves the right to cancel or postpone the seminar to a later date, change the seminar venue and/or programme, make any corrections or modifications in the information published in the seminar programme and cancel any invitation to participate in the seminar, at any time and at their entire discretion, without having to provide any reasons for the same.

Neither the UIA, nor any of its managers, employees, agents, members or representatives shall be held responsible for any loss or damage, of any nature, suffered (directly or indirectly) by a delegate, accompanying person or a third party following any cancellations, changes, postponements or modifications.

**The UIA strongly advises participants to subscribe to modifiable and/or refundable services, as well as to take out a cancellation insurance.**

Neither the UIA, nor any of its managers, employees, agents, members or representatives shall be held responsible for any loss or damage, of any nature whatever, suffered (directly or indirectly) by a delegate or accompanying person, except in case of death or personal injury due to gross negligence by the UIA.

The contractual relations between the UIA and each participant (delegate or accompanying person) in relation to the seminar are subject to French law and jurisdiction, to the exclusion of any other law. Paris is the city of jurisdiction.

## FORMALITIES

It is the responsibility of participants to ensure compliance with police, customs and health formalities for their journey. Participants unable to take part in the seminar because of their inability to take a flight or any other means of transportation due to being unable to provide the documents required (passport, visa, vaccination certificate, etc.) cannot claim any reimbursement.

## FORCE MAJEURE

“Force majeure” means any events external to the parties, of both an unforeseeable and insurmountable nature that prevents either the client or the participants, or the agency or service providers involved in organising the seminar, from executing all or part of the obligations provided for in the present agreement. By express agreement, such will be the case in the event of a strike affecting the means of transport, hotel staff, air traffic controllers, an insurrection, a riot or any prohibition whatever decreed by Governmental or public authorities.

It is expressly agreed that for the parties, a case of force majeure would suspend the execution of their reciprocal obligations. At the same time, each of the parties shall bear the burden of all the expenses incumbent upon them, resulting from the case of force majeure.

## HEALTH

The organisers decline any responsibility in case of any health problems existing prior to the seminar that may lead to complications or be aggravated during the entire period of the stay: pregnancy, cardio-vascular problems, any allergies, special diets, any disorders under treatment and not yet consolidated on the day the seminar starts, psychic or mental or depressive illness, etc. (Non exhaustive list).



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Friday, October 13 & Saturday, October 14, 2017

**SINGAPORE**

## REGISTRATION FORM

Register online at: [www.uianet.org](http://www.uianet.org)

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Tel: +33 1 44 88 55 66 ■ Fax: +33 1 44 88 55 77 ■ Email: [uiacentre@uianet.org](mailto:uiacentre@uianet.org)



Register online

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Family Name: .....

First Name: .....

Firm: .....

Address: .....

Post Code: ..... City: .....

Country: .....

Tel: ..... Fax: .....

Email: .....

Date of Birth: .....

EU VAT ID – Number: .....

Special requests (special diet, allergies, handicap...): .....

Arrival/departure times & flight numbers: .....

Hotel: .....

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## B. SEMINAR SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

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Please indicate below whether you plan to attend the following events **included** in the cost of your registration.

- Welcome Cocktail – Thursday, October 12, 2017
- Lunch – Friday, October 13, 2017
- SIDRA Cocktail – Friday, October 13, 2017
- Dinner & Dancing – Friday, October 13, 2017
- Lunch – Saturday, October 14, 2017

## C. OPTIONAL ACTIVITY

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(not included in the registration fees)

- Optional Dinner – Saturday, October 14, 2017

• Please book ..... person(s) for the dinner

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Total (C) € .....

## D. TOTAL

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TOTAL (A) – Registration Fees € .....

TOTAL (C) – Optional Activity € .....

TOTAL (A+C) € .....

## E. CANCELLATION CONDITIONS

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I, the Undersigned, confirm that I have read and accepted the **cancellation conditions** as well as the **general conditions** given on page 6 of the registration programme. My registration will only be taken into account on receipt of the payment.

Participants are aware that their image and/or voice may be photographed, recorded or filmed throughout the duration of the seminar. They hereby assign to the UIA, with the signature of this form, the right to exploit, reproduce and disseminate the images and recordings by all means, both known and unknown, using all media, for an unlimited term and free of charge.

## F. METHOD OF PAYMENT

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- By cheque in € payable to the UIA, addressed to: UIA – 20 rue Drouot – 75009 Paris – France
- By bank transfer in €, without charges to the payee, in favour of the Union Internationale des Avocats, quoting “2017 Singapore Forum”, to the following bank and account:

**Société Générale – Paris Elysées Entreprise**  
**91 avenue des Champs Elysées – 75008 Paris – France**  
**BIC / SWIFT N°: SOGEFRPP**  
**IBAN: FR76 3000 3033 9200 0503 4165 164**

*Kindly attach a copy of your bank transfer order to your registration form*

- By credit card:       Visa                       Mastercard
- Card N°: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
- Expiry date: \_ \_ / \_ \_                      3 digits: \_ \_ \_
- Name of card holder: .....

I authorise the Union Internationale des Avocats to debit the above mentioned credit card in the amount of € (EUR) .....

Date: ..... / ..... / .....

Signature: .....