

07:30am - 09:00am	Registration
09:00am	Arrival of The Right Honourable Dato' Sri Mohd Najib b Tun Abdul Razak , Prime Minister of Malaysia
09:00am - 09:15am	Introductory Remarks by Raphael Tay , Chairperson, IMLC 2012 Organising Committee; Partner, Tay Kuan Teck + Son (Venue: Plenary Hall)
09:15am - 09:30am	Welcome Address by Lim Chee Wee , President, Malaysian Bar; Partner, Skrine
09:30am - 10:00am	Opening Address by The Right Honourable Prime Minister (Venue: Plenary Hall)
10:00am - 11:00am	The Right Honourable Prime Minister Visits Exhibition Hall / Coffee Break
10:30am	Departure of The Right Honourable Prime Minister
11:00am - 12:30pm	Breakout Session

Stream 1 (Session 1) - Plenary Hall

IT & SOCIAL MEDIA

Damned if you do, damned if you don't: Social media add a new dimension to online advertising, marketing and brand integrity

The Internet has reshaped the way we communicate and do business, with social media amplifying these changes. In this topic, various intellectual property issues and risks involved in advertising and brand-building on social media will be addressed from both the industry and legal perspectives. It will also include practical steps and best practices to help companies avoid common pitfalls that can weaken a company's brand and expose the company to intellectual property litigation when using social media.

Joint Session with
Bar Council Intellectual
Property Committee

Speakers

- **Lau Kok Keng**, Partner, Rajah & Tann LLP, Singapore
- **Paul Subramaniam**, Partner, Zaid Ibrahim & Co
- **Alex Charlton QC**, 4 Pump Court, London
- **Foong Cheng Leong**, Partner, Foong Cheng Leong & Co

Moderator

Deepak C Pillai, Managing Partner, Haryati Deepak

Stream 2 (Session 1) - Plenary Theatre

INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC FINANCE

Islamic finance – The next frontier ... and beyond

Islamic finance is now soaring into the next stratosphere. Are lawyers ready for this financial landscape transformation? Is Islamic finance primed to take centre stage in the international financial space? How can we create an enabling environment to facilitate Islamic financial services? How do we make Islamic finance work ... and work for us? Common law and Shariah — is it a marriage of convenience or symbiotic union for life? Have we silenced the cynics, and claimed victory over the pessimists? What is our outlook — robust or bust? What lies on the horizon — a new beginning or a sunset industry?

Join us as we weave through issues of resilience, stability and market discipline, corporate governance and transparency, internationalisation of standards and principles, and other contemporary issues facing the Islamic finance industry.

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Joint Session with Bar Council
Islamic Finance Committee

Speakers

- **Daud Vicary Abdullah**, President and Chief Executive Officer, International Centre for Education in Islamic Finance ("INCEIF")
- **Mohamed Rafe b Mohamed Haneef**, Chief Executive Officer, HSBC Amanah
- **Professor Andrew White**, Associate Professor of Law (Practice); Director, International Islamic Law & Finance Centre, Singapore Management University

Moderator

Jal Othman, Partner, Shook Lin & Bok

Stream 3 (Session 1) - Rooms 304 & 305

HR & EMPLOYMENT

Creating an investor-friendly business destination

The landscape of employment law is rapidly changing, and there is a concerted move to modernise laws in the face of global changes and contemporary challenges. This session will discuss new employment laws to drive business needs in light of traditional protection of employee rights; strategies to attract, nurture, engage and retain the talent needed for a high-income economy; as well as whether local laws are causing or contributing to the brain drain, and if new laws would assist in reversing this trend.

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ERNST & YOUNG Quality In Everything We Do

Joint Session with Bar Council
Industrial Law Committee

Speakers

- **George Cooper**, Partner, Ashurst, Singapore
- **Anand Ponnudurai**, Partner, Bodipalar Ponnudurai De Silva
- **Kenneth Ho**, Human Resources Director, IBM Malaysia

Moderator

Chow Sang Hoe, Managing Partner — Advisory Services, Malaysia, Ernst & Young

*Whilst every effort is being made to maintain the programme as announced, details are subject to change.

12:45pm - 01:15pm

Inspired by **Tan Sri Dr Tony Fernandes**, *Group Chief Executive Officer, AirAsia Berhad*

Venue: Plenary Hall

Moderator: **Lim Chee Wee**, *President, Malaysian Bar; Partner, Skrine*

01:15pm - 02:00pm

Networking Lunch

02:00pm - 02:10pm

Plenary Session: **Presentation on the Inter-Pacific Bar Association ("IPBA")**

Venue: Plenary Hall

Speaker: **Dr Youngmoo Shin**, *President, Korean Bar Association*

02:10pm - 03:00pm

Plenary Session: **When China rules the world**

Venue: Plenary Hall

Speaker: **Martin Jacques**, *Author of "When China Rules the World: The End of the Western World and the Birth of a New Global Order"*

"The rise of China is transforming the world. Dominated by the West for over two centuries, China will increasingly come to usurp its role and shape the world in its own image, not only economically but also politically and culturally. We are entering the Age of China, a process that has been dramatically accelerated by the Western financial crisis in 2008, whose effects remain deep and profound."

Moderator: **The Honourable Justice Mah Weng Kwai**, *High Court Judge; Past President, Malaysian Bar*

03:15pm - 04:30pm

Breakout Session

Stream 1 (Session 2) - Plenary Hall

IT & SOCIAL MEDIA

Cyberspace: Where liabilities are not as virtual as you may think

This topic will provide an overview of content liability on the Internet and how intermediaries such as content providers or service providers can be held liable for the content uploaded by a website user, as well as how they should mitigate such risks.

Joint Session with Bar Council Intellectual Property Committee

Speakers

- **Corrine Tan SC**, *Emerging Markets, SE Asia Pacific, Google Asia Pacific*
- **Chew Kherk Ying**, *Partner, Wong & Partners*

Academic Paper

- **Gita Radhakrishna**, *Law Department, Faculty of Business and Law, Multimedia University*

Moderator

Wong Sai Fong, *Senior Partner, Shearn Delamore & Co*

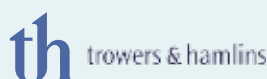
Stream 2 (Session 2) - Plenary Theatre

INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC FINANCE

An overview of experiences in implementing Islamic Finance transactions in United Kingdom and Gulf Co-operation Council States transactions

This session will cover some of the financing structures currently being used in the United Kingdom and Gulf Co-operation Council States, as well as the practical issues encountered in implementing Islamic finance there. This topic will also cover the steps that the United Kingdom Government has taken to create a level playing field compared to conventional finance so as to encourage greater use of Islamic finance.

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Joint Session with Bar Council Islamic Finance Committee

Speakers

- **Alhami Mohd Abdan**, *Head, International Finance and Capital Market, OCBC Al-Amin Bank Berhad*
- **Ahmad Lutfi b Abdull Mutalip**, *Partner, Azmi & Associates*

Moderator

Nicholas Charles Edmondson, *Partner, Trowers & Hamlins LLP, United Kingdom*

Stream 3 (Session 2) - Rooms 304 & 305

HR & EMPLOYMENT

Corruption in multinational companies: The laws, preventive measures, and remedies

Due to globalisation, multinational firms are faced with diverse challenges in terms of recent legislative developments and enforcement trends across the globe. Speakers will discuss how transnational laws such as the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (USA) or the Bribery Act (UK) impact multinational firms in Malaysia. The speakers will also present effective compliance procedures, risk management and due diligence programmes, and impart their knowledge on how to undertake forensic investigation when employees are embroiled in fraud or corruption.

Joint Session with Bar Council Industrial Law Committee

Speakers

- **Kelly Austin**, *Partner, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, Hong Kong*
- **Alex Tan**, *Executive Director, Forensic Services of PricewaterhouseCoopers*
- **Dato' Hj Mustafar b Hj Ali**, *Director, Investigation Division, Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission ("MACC")*

Moderator

Wong Keat Ching, *Partner, Zul Rafique & Partners*

04:30pm - 05:00pm
05:00pm - 06:15pm

Coffee Break with Exhibitors
Breakout Session

Stream 1 (Session 3) - Plenary Hall

IT & SOCIAL MEDIA

Cloud computing: How safe and protected will you be?

Cloud computing utilises a collection of services by different service providers located most likely in different locations, serving accesses globally. The question of security is invariably the first a potential user will ask. This session will examine the security concerns businesses will have with cloud computing and the various security measures that may help make cloud computing safe, in addition to laws that deal with compliance, liabilities and remedies.

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Joint Session with Bar Council
Intellectual Property Committee

Speakers

- **Andrew Cooke**, *Legal and Corporate Affairs, Microsoft Operations Pte Ltd*
- **Ahmad Rizan Ibrahim**, *Group Chief Executive Officer, Dataprep Holdings Bhd*
- **Tong Lai Ling**, *Partner, Raja, Darryl & Loh*
- **Michael Tan**, *Senior Counsel, Google Asia Pacific*

Moderator

Suaran Singh Sidhu, *Partner, Suaran & Sankey*

Stream 2 (Session 3) - Plenary Theatre

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

IP monetisation: The new business currency in Asia?

In recent years, Asian businesses have begun to recognise the importance of intellectual property ("IP") as they compete globally. IP developments in Asia revolve around IP institutions, which are sporadically encouraging businesses to create inventories of IP assets, placing emphasis on the need and importance of IP valuation as well as the need to focus on monetising IP assets, and exploring IP as a financial tool. This session will bring together a panel of experts from across Asia Pacific to discuss the latest developments of IP laws and infrastructure across Asia.

Joint Session with Bar Council
Intellectual Property Committee

Speakers

- **Raguraman Gurusamy**, *Vice-President, Agensi Inovasi Malaysia*
- **Samirah Muzaffar**, *Head, Intellectual Property & Commercialisation Channels Department, Innovation Capital Division, Multimedia Development Corporation ("MDeC")*
- **Graeme M Coomber**, *Managing Director, Global Innovation Solutions, United Kingdom*

Moderator

Michael Soo, *Partner, Shook Lin & Bok*

Stream 3 (Session 3) - Rooms 304 & 305

TRADE & INVESTMENT

ASEAN, APEC, and the AEC: The East-Asian Noodle Bowl Syndrome

The Asian region has seen a large number of free trade agreements signed in recent years, amongst ASEAN countries and countries seeking to do business with individual ASEAN countries. With a significant number of commitments made under different bilateral and multi-lateral agreements, companies are at a loss as to how best to access such benefits. The session will provide an overview of the often talked about "noodle bowl syndrome" and discuss fundamental trade and investment benefits available to investors seeking to do business in Malaysia, Indonesia, India, China and Timor Leste.

Joint Session with Bar Council
Goods and Services Tax ("GST") and
Tax Subcommittee, and LAWASIA



Speakers

- **Vicente D Gerochi IV**, *Partner, SyCip Salazar Hernandez & Gatmaitan, Philippines*
- **Fifa Rahman**, *Policy Executive, Malaysian AIDS Council*
- **J Jayasiri**, *Senior Director, Multilateral Trade Policy and Negotiations, Ministry of International Trade and Industry, Malaysia*

Moderator

Malathi Das, *President, LAWASIA*

06:30pm - 07:00pm

Inspired by **Ramli Ibrahim**, *Chairman of Sutra Foundation*
Venue: Plenary Hall

Moderator: **Datuk Haji Kuthubul Zaman Bukhari**, *Partner, Zaman & Associates; Past President, Malaysian Bar*

07:30pm - 10:00pm

Welcome Cocktail Reception at Porsche Centre

09:00am - 10:15am

Plenary Session: **Asian landscape: What next?**

Venue: Plenary Hall

Speakers: • **Dato' Sri Nazir Razak**, *Group Chief Executive, CIMB Group*
• **Tommy Thomas**, *Partner, Tommy Thomas*
• **Professor Edmund Terence Gomez**, *Dean, Social & Behavioral Science, Research Cluster, University of Malaya*

Moderator: **Datuk Dr Cyrus Das**, *Partner, Shook Lin & Bok; Past President, Malaysian Bar*

Coffee Break with Exhibitors

Breakout Session

10:15am - 10:35am

10:35am - 11:50am

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Stream 1 (Session 4) - Plenary Hall

OIL & GAS

ASEAN-China Guidelines for Co-operation in the South China Sea: Can the guidelines effectively solve boundary disputes in the South China Sea?

Nearly a decade after ASEAN and China signed the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea in 2002, the relevant parties took their cooperation to another level by finally agreeing on the ASEAN-China Guidelines for Cooperation in the South China Sea in July 2011. Regarded by many as a tiny but significant milestone in a row that has plagued relations in this region for years, questions have now been raised on the impact and efficacy of the guidelines in solving boundary disputes in the oil- and gas-rich waterway.

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Joint Session with Bar Council Law Reform and Special Areas Committee

Speakers

- **Maria Antonina M Mendoza-Oblena**, *First Secretary and Consul, Head of the Philippine Embassy's Political Section*
- **Leonardo Bernard**, *Research Associate, Centre for International Law, National University of Singapore*

Moderator

Faizah Jamaludin, *Partner and Head of the Oil and Gas Practice Group, Skrine*

Stream 2 (Session 4) - Plenary Theatre

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Intellectual Property trends, issues and challenges of the 21st century

Intellectual property ("IP") is said to be the driving force for spurring innovation, stimulating creativity and disseminating knowledge, which are all essential components for sustainable economic growth and development in Asia in the 21st century. Increasingly IP plays a critical role in facilitating trade and investment, attracting more R&D into science and technology, enhancing public-private partnerships and enabling enterprises to market innovations for the benefit of society. IP protection and enforcement legal framework always play catch up to the advances of technology and innovation. It remains a challenge to find a well-balanced, effective IP regime to provide a conducive and sustainable legal framework and infrastructure to adapt to these rapidly changing technological advances and growing threat of online piracy and counterfeiting activities. This session brings together a panel of experts across Asia Pacific to discuss the latest IP trends, issues and challenges faced by various stakeholders and industries; and the best practices, policies and "toolkits" adopted to provide the right and conducive climate to nurture this new engine of economic growth.

Joint Session with Bar Council Intellectual Property Committee

Speakers

- **Audrey Yap Su Ming**, *Partner, Yusam Audrey, Singapore*
- **Linda Wang**, *Partner, Tay & Partners*
- **Professor David Llewelyn**, *Professor (Practice) & Deputy Dean, School of Law, Singapore Management University; Professor of Intellectual Property Law, King's College London*

Moderator

Wong Jin Nee, *Partner, Wong Jin Nee & Teo*

Stream 3 (Session 4) - Rooms 304 & 305

HR & EMPLOYMENT

The relevance of trade unions in the business sector today

Speakers will discuss whether trade unions remain relevant in the 21st century, and if the decline in membership is due to apathy of workers, lack of need, or other extrinsic factors. This topic will address how trade unionism has helped entrench employee rights, and its impact on the growth of the industrial jurisprudence; whether trade union activism is a boon or bane to the development of human capital and growth of business; whether current laws stifle or promote trade union activism; and what lessons can be learned from around the world.

Joint Session with Bar Council Industrial Law Committee

Speakers

- **Bartłomiej Raczkowski**, *Partner, Raczkowski i Wspólnicy, Poland*
- **A Navamundan**, *Executive Secretary, National Union of Plantation Workers*
- **Dr Nagiah Ramasamy**, *Senior Lecturer, Department of Management and Economics, Sunway University Business School*
- **Nantha Balan ES Moorthy**, *Partner, Zul Rafique & Partners*

Moderator

- **Selvamalar Alagaratnam**, *Partner, Skrine*

Stream 4 - Room 302

10:35am - 12:15pm

National Young Lawyers Forum

Social media: Guilty! For updating your Facebook status and tweeting!

The Facebook Generation has changed the landscape of the Internet. They tweet, update their Facebook status, post up pictures and record everything in real time. The Internet is not just a luxury, but is now a necessity of life. But what if a mere update is tantamount to guilt? This forum will explore the advent of the Facebook Generation, how they have changed social media, elements of culpability and how a new generation of human rights activists is born.

Joint Session with Bar Council National Young Lawyers Committee

Speakers

- **Edmund Bon Tai Soon**, *Partner, Chooi & Co; Co-Founder of Legal Blawg www.loyarburok.com*
- **Azhar b Azizan @ Harun (Art Harun)**, *Advocate and Solicitor, Hisham Sobri & Kadir; Active Blogger at art-harun.blogspot.com*
- **Datin Paduka Marina Mahathir**, *Writer; Women's Rights and HIV/AIDS Activist; TV Producer*

Moderator

- **Lee Shih**, *Partner, Skrine*

12:00pm - 01:15pm

Breakout Session

Stream 1 (Session 5) - Plenary Hall

OIL & GAS

Production Sharing Contracts in the Malaysian petroleum industry: A PETRONAS perspective

One of the more popular and globally used contractual arrangements between the host government and international oil companies ("IOC") is the Production Sharing Contract ("PSC") or Production Sharing Agreement ("PSA"), the mode of arrangement currently used in Malaysia for upstream petroleum exploitation. This session will provide the general perspective of PETRONAS on the PSC usage in Malaysia from the birth of PETRONAS as a national oil company, the PSC concept and its evolution over the years, challenges faced by PETRONAS as well as the future outlook in this ever-dynamic oil and gas industry.

Joint Session with Bar Council Law Reform and Special Areas Committee

Speaker

- **Nooruddin Abdullah**, *Head, Legal, Upstream Exploration & Production Business, PETRONAS*

Stream 2 (Session 5) - Plenary Theatre

CORPORATE COUNSEL

The role of General Counsel in the global economy

This session will address globalisation and the portfolio of today's General Counsel. It will stress the fact that the role of General Counsel and the team of in-house counsel are increasingly regional, and will discuss the impact of this reality on lawyers in the region.

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Joint Session with Bar Council Legal Profession Committee

Speakers

- **Henry Leong**, *Asia Pacific Counsel, GE Water & Process Technologies*
- **Mohamed Nasri Sallehuddin**, *Director, Legal, Khazanah Nasional Bhd*
- **Firdous Jan Mohamed**, *General Counsel, Asia Pacific, Schlumberger*

Moderator

Stephen Maloy, *Senior Advisor, ZICOLaw*

Stream 3 (Session 5) - Rooms 304 & 305

COMPLIANCE

Competition law in the Asia Pacific region: Malaysia, Australia, and beyond

Countries in the Asia Pacific region are beginning to recognise the importance of competition laws in promoting economic efficiency and social welfare, by prohibiting restrictive business practices and creating a level playing field for firms. This topic will highlight the latest guidelines and measures implemented by governments across the Asia Pacific region in promoting competition in their respective jurisdictions.

Joint Session with Bar Council Competition Act Subcommittee

Speakers

Guest appearance by **Dato' Sri Ismail Sabri b Yaakob**, *Minister of Domestic Trade, Co-operatives and Consumerism*

- **Ragunath Kesavan**, *Commissioner, Malaysia Competition Commission; Partner, Kesavan; Past President, Malaysian Bar*

Moderator

Shila Dorai Raj, *Chief Executive Officer, Malaysian Competition Commission*

01:15pm - 02:15pm

02:15pm - 03:00pm

Networking Lunch

Plenary Session: **Malaysia's Government and Economic Transformation Programme: A journey towards high income**

Venue: Plenary Hall

The Malaysian Government embarked on a journey of transformation in 2009. With a motto of "Big Fast Results", progress in the first 2.5 years is very encouraging. However, the journey has just begun and there is a long road ahead with difficult challenges, many of which we cannot foresee. One aspect under the Economic Transformation Programme is the liberalisation of subsectors, which plays an important role towards making Malaysian businesses a lot more competitive. The Government's aspiration towards this move is to make our private sector (businesses, professionals and entrepreneurs) win it out there in the international arena.

Speaker: **Dato' Sri Idris Jala**, *Minister in the Prime Minister's Department; Chief Executive Officer, PEMANDU*

Moderator: **Tony Woon Yeow Thong**, *Secretary, Malaysian Bar; Partner, Woon & Co*

03:15pm - 04:30pm

Breakout Session

Stream 1 (Session 6) - Plenary Hall

LAW & SOCIETY

Freedom of the press

Do media professionals and media companies have professional obligations or responsibilities to promote and practise the best ethical standards in journalism, regardless of the prevailing legal framework governing freedom of the press in their country? What are the key elements in the best legal practices and codes of ethics of press freedom regionally/internationally, which can be adopted domestically?

Joint Session with Bar Council Professional Standards and Development Committee

Speakers

- **Masjaliza Hamzah**, Executive Officer, Centre for Independent Journalism
- **Malik Imtiaz Sarwar**, Partner, Malik Imtiaz Sarwar

Moderator

Jacqueline Ann Surin, Co-Founder and Editor, The Nut Graph

Stream 2 (Session 6) - Plenary Theatre

CORPORATE COUNSEL

The many facets of an in-house counsel's role — Compliance and internal controls included?

This session will focus on the role of an in-house counsel as:

- a business partner
- an investigator
- a compliance officer; and
- an internal controls advisor

Joint Session with Singapore Corporate Counsel Association



Speakers

- **Wan Kwong Weng**, Managing Director and Group General Counsel, Mapletree Investments Pte Ltd
- **Syed Naqiz Shahabuddin**, Partner, Naqiz & Partners

Moderator

Eric Pereira, Online Sales Manager, ASEAN Region, Sweet & Maxwell Asia/Thomson Reuters

Stream 3 (Session 6) - Rooms 304 & 305

ARBITRATION

International Commercial Arbitration: Perspectives from the four corners of the globe

There has been a gradual growth in arbitrations across the globe over the past decade, driven in part by the emergence of a spate of pro-arbitration legislation in different countries across the region. The increase in opportunities is however accompanied by its own unique set of challenges. A panel consisting of arbitration practitioners based in Kuala Lumpur, Singapore, Hong Kong and London will share its experiences with regard to common challenges encountered.

Joint Session with Bar Council Arbitration Subcommittee

Speakers

- **Yang Ing Loong**, Global Coordinator, Sidley Austin, Hong Kong
- **Chan Leng Sun SC**, Baker & McKenzie, Wong & Leow, Singapore
- **Ng Jern-Fei**, Barrister of Essex Court Chambers, United Kingdom

Moderator

Dato' WSW Davidson, Consultant, Azman Davidson & Co

04:30pm - 05:00pm

Coffee Break with Exhibitors

05:00pm - 06:15pm

Breakout Session

Stream 1 (Session 7) - Plenary Hall

LAW & SOCIETY**Can Australia serve as a positive role model for combating terrorism while upholding human rights?**

Australia works closely with governments in the South East Asia region to combat terrorism. In February 2004, it co-chaired the Bali Regional Ministerial Meeting on Counter-Terrorism ("BRMMCT"). It subsequently chaired the Legal Issues Working Group ("LIWG") of the BRMMCT, which reported in June 2006. In September 2008, Australia appointed an ambassador for counter-terrorism. In February 2010, Australia released a Counter-Terrorism White Paper, which sets out its objectives and outlines its policy and strategy. In March 2012, Australia launched the South East Asia Working Group of the Global Counter-terrorism Forum. In its aim to promote regional and international cooperation in counter-terrorism, what approaches have been adopted to uphold human rights? How does Australia balance its counter-terrorism objectives whilst upholding human rights? Is its approach a model for Malaysia and other countries to follow?

Joint Session with Bar Council Human Rights Committee and Constitutional Law Committee

Speakers

- **Bret Walker SC**, *Independent National Security Legislation Monitor, Australia*
- **Phil Robertson**, *Deputy Director, Human Rights Watch, Asian Division, Bangkok*

Moderator

Andrew Khoo Chin Hock, *Partner, Andrew Khoo & Daniel Lo*

Stream 2 (Session 7) - Plenary Theatre

LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT**Legal services: The evolving legal landscape**

In Richard Susskind's book *The End of Lawyers?*, he observed rather casually, "a future in which conventional legal advisers will be much less prominent in society than today, and, in some walks of life, will have no visibility at all." Is the profession's engrained conservatism killing itself? This session will explore the threats to, and opportunities for, small law firms, in-house departments, legal publishers, training establishments and individual lawyers

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Joint Session with Bar Council Legal Profession Committee and Trade in Legal Services Committee, and The Law Society of Singapore

**Speakers**

- **Matt Kesner**, *Chief Information Officer, Fenwick & West LLP, USA*
- **Wong Meng Meng SC**, *President, The Law Society of Singapore*

Moderator

Gaythri Raman, *Head of Customer Discovery & Innovation, Asia, LexisNexis*

Stream 3 (Session 7) - Rooms 304 & 305

COMPLIANCE**Challenges in legal compliance: Managing an investigation**

Increasingly, the laws of Malaysia and other countries across Asia Pacific have granted broad investigative powers to various authorities such as competition authorities, tax authorities, Customs, the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Trade. Can businesses ever be prepared to face such audits and investigations? What can such companies do to improve their responses and what do they expect of their legal advisers?

Joint Session with Bar Council Goods and Services Tax ("GST") and Tax Subcommittee, and Competition Act Subcommittee, and Sabah Law Association

**Speakers**

- **Anand Raj**, *Partner, Shearn Delamore & Co*
- **Domingo Castillo**, *Partner, SyCip Salazar Hernandez & Gatmaitan, Philippines*
- **Shamsuflan Shamsuddin**, *Executive Director, Compliance & Examination, Securities Commission Malaysia*

Moderator

Roger Chin, *Secretary, Sabah Law Association*

06:30pm - 07:30pm

Plenary Session: **2nd Raja Aziz Addruse Memorial Lecture**

Venue: Plenary Hall

Counter-Terrorism, Human Rights and the Rule of Law — The UN PerspectiveSpeaker: **Ben Emmerson QC**, *Matrix Chambers, UK; UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights and Counter-Terrorism*Moderator: **Dato' Param Kumaraswamy**, *Partner, Param Kumaraswamy; Past President, Malaysian Bar*

7:30pm - 10:00pm

Fundamental Freedoms Fringe Fest at Plenary Hall, Centre Core, KLCC

09:00am - 10:15am

Plenary Session: **Market liberalisation of legal services in Asia: A tsunami confronting lawyers or a world of opportunity?**

Venue: Plenary Hall

From international partnerships to stand-alone entities, the internalisation of legal services will change how the legal profession in Asia views itself. The current spate of mergers, alliances and expansion involving international law firms with Australian firms with the objective of enhancing their presence in Asia suggests that law firms in Asia will need to be prepared for more competition. Inherited assumptions would be challenged by such economic transformations and market forces requiring a paradigm shift in how lawyers view themselves and the services they provide. What are the implications for law firms, large and small? Many believe it would never affect them because they are small or in niche market segments such as litigation. Law firms doing commercial and banking work will face more competition but could also capitalise on the opportunities of working with these foreign firms. Which approach should law firms in Asia adopt? How should the lawyers prepare themselves? Can legal services be more than mere enablers of other industries and become economic drivers in their own right contributing to the GDP of a country?

Speaker: • **Chew Seng Kok**, *Regional Managing Partner, ZICOlaw, Singapore*

• **Masaakira Kitazawa**, *Senior Partner, Anderson Mori & Tomotsune, Japan*

• **Jimmy Yim SC**, *Managing Director, Litigation & Dispute Resolution Department, Drew & Napier LLC, Singapore*

• **Stuart Fuller**, *Global Managing Partner, King & Wood Mallesons, Hong Kong*

Moderator: **Christopher Leong**, *Vice-President, Malaysian Bar; Partner, Chooi & Co*

Coffee Break with Exhibitors

Breakout Session

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10:15am - 10:45am

10:45pm - 12:00pm

Stream 1 (Session 8) - Plenary Hall

LAW & SOCIETY

Human rights: Do businesses have roles and obligations as corporate citizens?

Governments have the primary responsibility for protecting human rights. However, is there a role to be played by non-State actors, such as business enterprises, in upholding and promoting human rights? If so, what exactly should their contribution be? Is corporate charity the same as corporate social responsibility in the area of human rights? Or is concern for human rights an unprofitable area that businesses should avoid?

Joint Session with Bar Council Human Rights Committee and Constitutional Law Committee, and Advocates' Association of Sarawak



Speakers

- **Nahendran Navaratnam**, *Partner, Kadir Andri & Partners*
- **David Watkins**, *Partner, Slaughter and May, Hong Kong*

Academic Paper

- **Dr Tan Seng Teck**, *Senior Lecturer, Taylor's Business School, Taylor's University*

Moderator

Khairil Azmi b Haji Mohamad Hasbie, *President, Advocates' Association of Sarawak*

Stream 2 (Session 8) - Plenary Theatre

LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT

How small- and medium-sized firms can accelerate their profits and how group practice can benefit small- and medium-sized firms

Is your firm operating at its maximum revenue and profit capacity? Is your firm operating at a profit that allows significant sustained year-on-year growth? If either of those answers was no, then this session is for you! It is becoming increasingly difficult for small- and medium-sized firms to maintain a competitive position in the Malaysian legal industry. With a growing amount of large firms and international firms attempting to expand into the Malaysian market, it is becoming a challenge for these practitioners to draw in clients. Becoming a group practice is an option, which would soon be available for small- and medium-sized firms. This session is big on actions and short on theory. It is packed with practical advice and specific actions that you can apply in your practice today.

Joint Session with Bar Council Small Firms Committee

Speakers

- **Ian R Homer**, *Business Coach, ActionCOACH*
- **Mark Goh Aik Leng**, *Founder, Mark Goh & Co, Singapore*
- **Mathew Thomas Philip**, *Managing Partner, Thomas Philip*

Moderator

George Varughese, *Partner, George Varughese*

Stream 3 (Session 8) - Rooms 304 & 305

ARBITRATION

Asia's contribution to international commercial arbitration: The tools and skills

This session will explore the approach adopted by institutions, arbitrators and national courts of the region in dealing with competing interests in an increasingly globalised environment, and will review the world's response to Asia's initiatives.

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Joint Session with Bar Council Arbitration Subcommittee

Speakers

- **John Tackaberry QC**, *Member of 39 Essex Street Chambers and Arbitration Chambers*
- **Azimeer Manaf**, *Senior Assistant Director, Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration*
- **K Shanti Mogan**, *Partner, Shearn Delamore & Co*
- **Rashda Rana**, *Barister; Arbitrator; Mediator; Wentworth Chambers, Australia*

Moderator

Sitpah Selvaratnam, *Consultant, Tommy Thomas*

12:00pm - 02:00pm
02:00pm - 02:30pm

Networking Lunch

Defending every man, woman and child under the rule of law

Venue: Plenary Hall

While more than 90 countries have signed international conventions and passed domestic laws to safeguard their citizens' legal rights, some four billion people do not "live under the shelter of the law" because these conventions and laws are not effectively implemented. International Bridges to Justice ("IBJ") works globally to ensure that every person has early access to competent legal representation, protection from torture and other cruel and unusual punishment, and the right to a fair trial. IBJ accomplishes its mission through a unique strategy of working collaboratively with governments and justice sector officials to implement laws and empowering defenders through training and the establishment of support networks.

Inspired by **Karen I Tse**, *Founder and Chief Executive Officer, International Bridges to Justice*

Moderator: **Dato' Ambiga Sreenevasan**, *Partner, Sreenevasan; Past President, Malaysian Bar*

02:30pm - 03:45pm

Plenary Session: The independence of the Attorney General and the public interest

Venue: Plenary Hall

Speakers: • **The Honourable Tan Sri Abdul Gani Patail**, *Attorney General of Malaysia*

• **Kevin P Zervos**, *Director of Public Prosecutions, Hong Kong*

• **Bala Reddy**, *Chief Prosecutor (Projects), Singapore*

Moderator: **Steven Thiru**, *Treasurer, Malaysian Bar; Partner, Shook Lin & Bok*

03:45pm - 04:15pm

Coffee Break with Exhibitors

04:15pm - 05:30pm

Breakout Session

Stream 1 (Session 9) - Plenary Hall

LAW & SOCIETY

What maketh a judge?

How are judges trained? How do we ensure that judges have adequate training before they assume judicial office? Should judges come from the ranks of practising lawyers, or should we have judges that rise from within government service? Speakers will discuss the judicial appointment process and lessons gleaned from around the world.

Joint Session with Bar Council Human Rights Committee and Constitutional Law Committee

Speakers

- **Judge Nico Tuijn**, *Judge of the Court of Appeal, Hertogenbosch, Netherland*
- **Dato' Haji Sulaiman b Abdullah**, *Partner, Sulaiman*

Academic Paper

- **Mark Goh**, *Senior Lecturer, Department of Law and Government, HELP University*

Moderator

The Honourable Justice Dato' Mohamad Ariff b Md Yusof, *High Court Judge*

Stream 2 (Session 9) - Plenary Theatre

COMPLIANCE

Primary and secondary listings of foreign corporations and foreign securities on stock exchanges in the East Asian region

With globalisation, their ability to compete with each other is now critical. How do those exchanges stand as an attractive exchange for foreign listings? How do the legal and regulatory regimes compare? A discussion of current issues. A discussion on the way forward and the future, *quo vadimus*.

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Joint Session with Bar Council Corporate and Commercial Law Committee

Speakers

- **Voon Keat Lai**, *Stephenson Harwood, Hong Kong*
- **Selvarany Rasiyah**, *Chief Regulatory Officer, Bursa Malaysia Berhad*
- **Jeff Leong Pak Lim**, *Senior Partner, Jeff Leong, Poon & Wong*

Moderator

Cynthia Toh, *Partner, Wong Beh & Toh*

Stream 3 (Session 9) - Rooms 304 & 305

ARBITRATION

Statutory adjudication: Boon or burden for litigants?

This session will consider the legislation governing adjudication, arbitration and litigation, and the convergence of the temporary and final binding relief available to parties in various dispute resolution forums.

Joint Session with Bar Council Arbitration Subcommittee

Speakers

- **Lim Chong Fong**, *Partner, Azman Davidson & Co*
- **Robert Fenwick Elliott**, *Partner, Fenwick Elliott Grace, Australia*
- **Alan Steward**, *Managing Director, Sweett Resolution, United Kingdom*
- **IR Harbans Singh KS**, *Member, Adjudication Society and the Association of Independent Construction Adjudicators*

Moderator

Datuk Sundra Rajoo, *Director, Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration*

05:45pm - 06:30pm
06:30pm - 07:30pm
07:30pm - midnight

Closing Remarks by **The Right Honourable Tun Arifin Zakaria**, *Chief Justice of Malaysia*

Closing Remarks by **Lim Chee Wee**, *President, Malaysian Bar; Partner, Skrine*

Celebration Dinner at Renaissance Hotel Kuala Lumpur