

## YOUNG ICCA INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION SKILLS WORKSHOP: Working in Arbitrations Involving States

**Date:** 13 May 2014  
**Time:** 4:00 - 6:30 pm  
**Venue:** HKIAC  
 38/F Two Exchange Square  
 8 Connaught Place  
 Central  
 Hong Kong

Please click here to register



PROGRAMME	
TOPIC	FACULTY
<b>OPENING REMARKS</b>	Chiann Bao and Jim Morrison
<b>1. PUTTING PEN TO PAPER</b>  <i>Negotiating and drafting dispute resolution clauses in contracts involving states and structuring investments.</i>	Introduced by Sheila Ahuja
<b>2. RELATIONSHIPS, RELATIONSHIPS</b>  <i>Acting as arbitrator in cases involving states, states as clients, states as opponents and states as users of institutional arbitration.</i>	Introduced by Nils Eliasson
<b>3. TALES FROM PROCEDURAL TRENCHES</b>  <i>Experiences and practical considerations in commencing arbitrations (treaty v commercial), appointing arbitrators, document production, advocacy and other case management issues in cases involving states.</i>	Introduced by Olga Boltenko, Nils Eliasson and Sheila Ahuja.
<b>4. WHEN/IF THE WAR IS OVER?</b>  <i>Drafting and enforcing awards in cases involving states.</i>	Introduced by Olga Boltenko
<b>CLOSING REMARKS</b>	Chiann Bao and Jim Morrison
A SHORT REFRESHMENT BREAK WILL BE HELD DURING THE WORKSHOP	

Faculty and participants are invited to very casual drinks at Liberty Exchange following the conclusion of the Workshop.

## YOUR FACULTY

<b>Teresa Cheng</b>	<p>Teresa Cheng is a Vice President of the ICCA Governing Board. She is a Senior Counsel of Hong Kong SAR, a Chartered Arbitrator, Accredited Mediator and Chartered Engineer. She is a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the Institution of Civil Engineers. Ms Cheng was called to the Bar in Hong Kong, England and Wales and New South Wales and also admitted as Solicitor in Singapore. She was appointed as Senior Counsel by the Chief Justice of Hong Kong SAR in 2000. She has been practicing as advocate, mediator/conciliator and arbitrator in many international construction, commercial and investment disputes in various jurisdictions. She has been involved in arbitrations in Hong Kong, Mainland China, London, Stockholm, Singapore, Taiwan etc. including International Chamber of Commerce, London Court of Arbitration and Stockholm Chamber of Commerce arbitrations. She has also provided expert reports to arbitral tribunals and foreign courts on legal issues in international arbitrations and litigation. Ms Cheng was Deputy President for 2007 and President for 2008 of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators; Chairperson, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre; Vice-President, ICC Court of International Arbitration. She is a visiting Professor at the Law School of Tsinghua University and an Adjunct Professor at Hong Kong Polytechnic University and a Chartered Engineer. She also sits as a Deputy Judge in the Court of First Instance of the High Court of Hong Kong.</p>
<b>Sheila Ahuja</b>	<p>Sheila Ahuja is a senior associate in Allen &amp; Overy's Global Arbitration group and is based in the Hong Kong office. She has been involved in a range of arbitration matters involving various jurisdictions such as Hong Kong, Singapore, England and Wales, the Philippines, and particularly India. Her recent experience includes acting for BG and Reliance in arbitration proceedings commenced under the UNCITRAL Rules against the Government of India, in disputes arising out of two production sharing contracts and valued over US\$500 million, representing two Indian banks on disputes relating to payment under multiple refund guarantees and advising a foreign investor in a potential claim involving delays in seeking regulatory clearances from the Government of India. Sheila is admitted to practice law in Hong Kong and England and Wales, and spent six months working at a leading International Indian Law Firm in 2011, working closely with their dispute resolution team on various India-related arbitration matters.</p>
<b>Olga Boltenko</b>	<p>Olga Boltenko works with an international arbitrator, Mr Neil Kaplan QC CBE SBS. She is administratively associated with King &amp; Wood Mallesons and is based in Hong Kong. Ms Boltenko is invited to conduct arbitration courses at the Royal University of Rule and Economics in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, and she teaches arbitration courses at the Cambodian Bar Association in Phnom Penh. Prior to moving to Hong Kong to work with Mr. Kaplan, Ms. Boltenko acted as a Legal Counsel at the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) in The Hague. From 2006 to early 2012, Ms. Boltenko was an attorney in the international arbitration group in the Paris office of White &amp; Case LLP. While with White &amp; Case, she represented sovereign states and corporations in disputes under the auspices of the PCA, SCC, ICC, ICSID, LCIA and UNCITRAL rules. Prior to joining White &amp; Case, Ms. Boltenko clerked at the Council of Europe, the Council of the Baltic Sea States, and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, where she worked on cases concerning border disputes, treaty interpretation, and state responsibility.</p>
<b>Nils Eliasson</b>	<p>Nils Eliasson is a partner at Mannheimer Swartling in Hong Kong specializing in international commercial arbitration and investment treaty arbitration. Mr Eliasson has experience in conducting arbitrations under the auspices of most major arbitration institutes (including, inter alia, the ICSID, HKIAC, ICC, SIAC, LCIA, DIS and SCC) as well as ad hoc proceedings under the UNCITRAL arbitration rules. He has acted as counsel for investors and States in a number of investment arbitrations under bilateral investment treaties as well as under the Energy Charter Treaty. Mr Eliasson frequently sits as an arbitrator in institutional and ad hoc arbitrations. He is also a Council Member of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre.</p>