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Taiwan Arbitration Week 臺灣 仲裁 週

2026 Taipei International Conference on Arbitration and Mediation Goeconomics and International Dispute Resolution

Oct. 20 (Tue)

09:00-09:15 **Registration**

09:15-09:30 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- **Yeong-Chyan Wu**, Chair, Chinese Arbitration Association, Taipei (CAA)
- **Yueh-Ping (Alex) Yang**, Professor, NTU College of Law; Director, Asian Center for WTO & International Health Law and Policy (ACWH)

Group Photo

09:30-11:10 **Session I: Geopolitical Confrontation and International Dispute Resolution**

- Moderator: **Miranda C. Liu** (Stellex Law Firm, Senior Partner)
- **Chang-Fa Lo** (Former Permanent Representative of Taiwan to the WTO)
Rethinking "Dispute" in International Dispute Resolution: Lessons from International Health Law in a Changing Geopolitical Environment
 - **Michael Polkinghorne** (White & Case, Partner)
Could International Arbitration Resolve Geopolitical Disputes, and How?
 - **Weixia Gu** (The University of Hong Kong Faculty of Law, Associate Professor)
Sino-US Relations and the Development of Arbitration in (Mainland) China
 - **Ondrej Svoboda** (Charles University in Prague Faculty of Law, Researcher)
From Investment Protection to Investment Security: Goeconomics and the Reconfiguration of ISDS

11:10-11:20 **Tea Break**

11:20-13:00 **Session II: Sanctions and International Dispute Resolution**

- Moderator: **Joyce I. Ho** (Tsar & Tsai Law Firm, Partner)
- **Stephan Wilske** (Gleiss Lutz, Partner)
International Sanctions in Times of Geopolitical Confrontation: A Tool to Further a Good Cause or Simply Another Layer of Complexity from the Perspective of International Arbitration?
 - **David Fong** (Cedar Chambers, Co-Chamber Head)
Sanctions in International Commercial Arbitration: Friend or Foe in the Development of Jurisprudence
 - **Chengkai Wang** (Dacheng Taiwan, Senior Partner)
International Commercial Arbitration amid Geopolitical Confrontation: Resolving Payment and Performance Disputes in Cross-Border Commerce

11:20-13:00 • **Phuong Ha My Le** (University of Economics Ho Chi Minh City Faculty of Law, LL.B.)

Advance on Costs as Barrier to Access to Justice: The Impact of Sanctions on Procedural Rights in International Commercial Arbitration

13:00-14:00 **Lunch Break**

14:00-15:40 **Session III: The Variety of Disputes and International Dispute Resolution**

- Moderator: **Jason Wu** (Justus Law Offices, Principal)
- **Rodolphe Ruffié-Farrugia** (K&L Gates, Partner)
Investor-State Dispute Safari: Africa, Where Global Powers of Our Time All Converge and Clash
 - **Yihan Guo** (Nanyang Technological University, Graduate Student)
When the Rails Switch: Financial-Infrastructure Fragmentation under Geoeconomic Sanctions and the Reconfiguration of International Investment Arbitration
 - **Yael Efron** (Ramat Gan Academic College, Vice President) (online)
Beyond the Gavel: Forging ADR in Conflicts with Religious Dimensions and Worldviews
 - **Winnie Wing Ming Chan** (Barrister-at-law, Hong Kong)
From Founder Authority to Collective Governance: Where Mediation and Mediation-Informed Facilitation Can Help in Family Wealth Succession

15:40-15:55 **Tea Break**

15:55-17:10 **Session IV: Human-Centered AI and International Dispute Resolution**

- Moderator: **Grace Shao** (Baker McKenzie Taipei, Managing Partner)
- **Nobumichi Teramura** (Keio University Law School, Associate Professor)
Myth of Human-Centred AI in International Commercial Arbitration: A New Dawn of Over-Judicialisation?
 - **Peter Kuo-Jui Chen** (LCS & Partners, Counsel)
When AI Drafts the Award: Institutional Governance and Oversight in AAA's AI Rules
 - **Charles Ho Wang Mak** (University of Bristol, Assistant Professor in Law) (online)
Enforcement Without a Human Mediator: The Singapore Convention on Mediation and the Challenge of AI Assisted Dispute Resolution in Asia

Oct. 21 (Wed)

09:00-09:15 **Registration**

09:15-10:30 **Session V: Security and International Dispute Resolution**

- Moderator: **Joyce W. Chen** (Lee and Li, Attorneys-at-Law, Partner)
- **Sherlin Tung** (Withers, Partner)
Enforcement of International Arbitral Awards in the Ever-Developing Geopolitical World: Dispute Resolution through Peaceful Means
 - **Rawnak Miraj Ul Azam** (American International University-Bangladesh Department of Law, Lecturer)
Afroza Khan Alias Afroza Begum (Supreme Court of Bangladesh, Advocate)
Kamrull Hasan (Supreme Court of Bangladesh, Advocate)
Public Policy as Geopolitical Proxy: Disguised Extraterritoriality and the Fragmentation of the New York Convention Enforcement Regime
 - **Chieh (Jeffrey) Lo** (King's College London, PhD Candidate)
After Review: Making Sense of Good-faith Review of Security Exception Clauses in Trade and Investment Disputes

10:30-10:45 **Tea Break**

10:45-12:25 **Session VI: Denationalised Finance and International Dispute Resolution**

- Moderator: **Angela Y. Lin** (Lee and Li, Attorneys-at-Law, Deputy CEO)
- **Philip Tan** (White & Case, Local Partner)
From Agreement to Award: Consumer Protection and the Fragility of Arbitration in Cryptocurrency Disputes
 - **Do Kyung Kim** (Jehyun Attorneys at Law, Partner)
Beyond the Crowd's Wisdom: Positioning Decentralized Dispute Resolution Through a Dual-Award Hybrid Model
 - **Jin-Ying (Catherine) Tsai** (Hickey Lawyers, Solicitor)
Enforcement of Arbitral Awards in Cross-Border Denationalised Finance Disputes: Public Policy, Remedy-Framing, and the Limits of the New York Convention
 - **Huan Zhang** (Harneys, Trainee Solicitor) (online)
Governing Law in a Waterfall: Choice of Law in Denationalised Finance Disputes

12:25-12:30 **Concluding Remark**

12:30-14:00 **Lunch and Farewell**