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SIAC Expands the SIAC Academy Curriculum and Launches the SIAC Academy Audit Panel

The Singapore International Arbitration Centre is pleased to announce the expansion of the SIAC Academy curriculum to enhance the range and quality of training programmes offered by SIAC.

The new courses to be launched this year include a Review of Key Arbitration-Related Decisions in 2020: Singapore and United Kingdom, foundational courses on Understanding the International Arbitration Legal Framework and a Practicum on Discovery and Document Production in International Arbitration, a ten-part series on Enforcement of Arbitral Awards in Asia: Theory & Practice, a Tribunal Secretary Training Course, as well as a Masterclass on Advocacy Training.

The SIAC Academy programme was officially launched in Singapore in 2017 by SIAC Chairman, Mr Davinder Singh, SC, to build on SIAC's thought leadership standing through providing practical, skills-based arbitration training programmes.

A five-member SIAC Academy Audit Panel chaired by Mr Gary Born, President of the SIAC Court of Arbitration, will oversee the course planning for the SIAC Academy curriculum. The members of the SIAC Academy Audit Panel are:

- 1. Mr Gary Born President, SIAC Court of Arbitration; Chair, International Arbitration Practice Group, Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP
- 2. Mr Chan Leng Sun, SC Deputy Chairman, SIAC Board of Directors; Senior Counsel and Arbitrator, Essex Court Chambers Duxton
- 3. Ms Lucy Reed Vice President, SIAC Court of Arbitration; Independent Arbitrator, Arbitration Chambers
- 4. Dr Claudia Annacker Member, SIAC Court of Arbitration; Partner, Dechert LLP
- 5. Prof Lawrence Boo Member, SIAC Court of Arbitration; Independent Arbitrator, The Arbitration Chambers

Ms Michelle Chiam, SIAC's Deputy Centre Director, is responsible for the design, development and conduct of the SIAC Academy programmes. Prior to joining SIAC in 2017, Ms Chiam practised as an international arbitration lawyer at two of Singapore's "Big Four" law firms. Ms Chiam holds a LLM (Distinction) in International Legal Studies (Dean's List) from Georgetown University Law Center in Washington D.C., and a LLB (Second Upper Class Honours) from the National University of Singapore Faculty of Law.

Mr Davinder Singh, SC, Chairman of the SIAC Board of Directors, said, "SIAC will continue to train and nurture aspiring practitioners of international arbitration and help them acquire essential skills to further develop their careers as counsel and as arbitrators."

Mr Gary Born, President of the SIAC Court of Arbitration, said, "SIAC's track record in case administration over the last 30 years, including more than 1,000 cases in 2020, positions the institution ideally to provide premium quality arbitration training programmes. In 2021, SIAC will bring together the expertise of the SIAC Court of Arbitration, the SIAC Board of Directors and SIAC Users' Councils to offer an exciting range of seminars and courses for the international arbitration community."

For more information on the SIAC Academy 2021 curriculum, please click here.

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