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## Singapore International Arbitration Centre Announces Appointment of New Deputy Registrar



The Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) is pleased to announce that [Mr Kevin Nash](#) has been appointed to the position of Deputy Registrar of SIAC with effect from 1 August 2014. Kevin will succeed Mr Vivekananda N. who is returning to private practice. Vivekananda had acted as both Deputy Registrar and Head (South Asia) at SIAC, and was instrumental in the establishment of SIAC's first overseas liaison office in Mumbai, India in 2013. During Vivekananda's tenure, the number of filings with SIAC generated by Indian parties reached a record high of 85 matters in 2013. [Ms Scheherazade Dubash](#) will now lead SIAC's India liaison office.

As Deputy Registrar, Kevin will assist the Registrar, [Ms Tan Ai Leen](#), in the administration of cases filed with SIAC and the supervision of SIAC's multinational Secretariat. In his previous role as Counsel at SIAC, Kevin administered more than 250 arbitrations under various institutional rules, including the SIAC Rules and UNCITRAL Rules. He also handled numerous cases conducted under the Expedited Procedure and Emergency Arbitrator applications for urgent interim relief prior to the constitution of a tribunal.

Kevin holds a B.A. from Mount Allison University and a J.D. from Osgoode Hall Law School. Kevin worked at one of Canada's prominent 'Seven Sister' law firms and then went on to pursue an LL.M. in International Commercial Arbitration at Stockholm University. He is qualified as a Barrister and Solicitor with the Law Society of Upper Canada.

SIAC recently bolstered the ranks of its multinational Secretariat with the hire of lawyers qualified in Belgium, Canada and the Philippines to handle its growing caseload and replace former Counsel, Mr Samuel Leong, who returned to private practice and Ms Francoise Lewalle, who has moved over to the Singapore International Mediation Centre (SIMC) as Director of Mediation Services.

In 2013, SIAC received 259 new case filings and currently handles an active caseload of approximately 650 arbitrations. SIAC now has overseas liaison offices in both Mumbai, India and Seoul, South Korea.

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