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## SIAC Welcomes New YSIAC Committee

The Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) is pleased to announce the new YSIAC Committee, with effect from 1 January 2017, as follows:

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Law Firm / Chambers</b>	<b>Country</b>
1	Mr Ankit <u>Goyal</u> (Co-Chair)	Allen & Gledhill LLP	Singapore
2	Ms <u>Koh</u> Swee Yen (Co-Chair)	WongPartnership LLP	Singapore
3	Ms Jeong Hye <u>Ahn</u>	Yulchon LLC	South Korea
4	Mr Andrew <u>Battison</u>	Allen & Overy LLP	Singapore
5	Ms Holly <u>Blackwell</u>	King & Wood Mallesons	China
6	Mr Darius <u>Chan</u>	Ascendant Legal LLC	Singapore
7	Mr Simon <u>Dunbar</u>	King & Spalding LLP	Singapore
8	Ms <u>Foo</u> Yuet Min	Drew & Napier LLC	Singapore
9	Mr Rishab <u>Gupta</u>	Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co	India
10	Mr <u>Hu</u> Ke	Jingtian & Gongcheng	China
11	Mr Aoi <u>Inoue</u>	Anderson Mori & Tomotsune	Japan
12	Mr Andi <u>Kadir</u>	Hadiputranto, Hadinoto & Partners	Indonesia
13	Mr Moazzam <u>Khan</u>	Nishith Desai Associates	India
14	Mr Jonathan <u>Lim</u>	Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale & Dorr LLP	UK (London)
15	Mr Nicholas <u>Lingard</u>	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP	Singapore
16	Mr Jern-Fei <u>Ng</u>	Essex Court Chambers	UK (London)
17	Mr Avinash <u>Pradhan</u>	Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP	Singapore
18	Ms Julie <u>Raneda</u>	Schellenberg Wittmer Pte Ltd	Singapore
19	Mr Kabir <u>Singh</u>	Clifford Chance Pte Ltd	Singapore
20	Ms Melissa <u>Thng</u>	Dentons Rodyk & Davidson LLP	Singapore

The outgoing members of the YSIAC Committee are Madhur Baya of Lex Arbitri, Christopher Boog of Schellenberg Wittmer Pte Ltd, Sapna Jhangiani of Clyde & Co Clasis Singapore Pte. Ltd, Sue Hyun Lim of Bae Kim & Lee LLC, Kailee Lingard of BHP Billiton Iron Ore, Alberto Ravell of ConocoPhillips Co., and Rena Rico-Pamfilo of Seawood Resources, Inc..

New members joining the Committee are Jeong Hye Ahn, Holly Blackwell, Rishab Gupta, Moazzam Khan, Nicholas Lingard and Julie Raneda. Co-chairs Ankit Goyal and Koh Swee Yen of the previous Committee as well as the following members of the previous Committee will continue to serve on the new Committee, namely, Andrew Battison, Darius Chan, Simon Dunbar, Foo Yuet Min, Hu Ke, Aoi Inoue, Andi Kadir, Jonathan Lim, Jern-Fei Ng, Avinash Pradhan, Kabir Singh, and Melissa Thng.

Through the tireless efforts of the inaugural YSIAC Committee, the YSIAC membership base (composed of younger arbitration practitioners aged 40 years and under) has grown steadily to become a global network of 1400 young lawyers from 84 jurisdictions.

Since its relaunch in January 2015, the YSIAC Committee has implemented a host of exciting new initiatives and projects for YSIAC members in Singapore and abroad, and we present a snapshot of their achievements below.

In 2015, the YSIAC Committee organised the highly successful inaugural YSIAC Conference, which attracted a record number of over 200 participants, with half of the delegates coming from overseas. In conjunction with the Conference, the YSIAC also held its first ever YSIAC Essay Competition, which garnered 66 entries from 20 jurisdictions. The YSIAC Advocacy Roadshow was launched that year, and featured a series of mock arbitration panels based on case scenarios specifically developed for young arbitration practitioners to develop their oral advocacy skills. The 2015 Roadshow featured the cross-examination of experts, and included a stellar line-up of mock tribunal members, comprised of Mr Gary Born, President of the SIAC Court of Arbitration, various Court members, and other arbitration luminaries. That year, the Roadshow venues included Delhi, Mumbai, Jakarta, Beijing, Seoul, and Tokyo, and the audience feedback was overwhelmingly positive.

In 2016, building on the success of the 2015 YSIAC Advocacy Roadshow, the YSIAC Advocacy Roadshow featured a mock emergency arbitration scenario, and toured the following cities: Tokyo, Mumbai, Seoul, Shanghai and Manila. Eminent arbitration practitioners who participated as emergency arbitrators in these sessions included SIAC Court President, Mr Gary Born, various SIAC Court members as well as other senior arbitrator practitioners.

Also in 2016, the YSIAC organised two YSIAC Club events featuring up and coming arbitration practitioners as panelists, a YSIAC Lunchtime Talk by SIAC Court member, Mr Toby Landau QC, and the second YSIAC Essay Competition (held in conjunction with the SIAC Congress Week 2016).

YSIAC publications include a bi-monthly YSIAC Newsletter, and a YSIAC affiliate blog on the Kluwer Arbitration Blog. Regular networking drinks events, a popular fixture on the YSIAC social events calendar, provide members with opportunities to share views and exchange ideas with their like-minded peers.

#### *Upcoming events*

This year, the YSIAC Advocacy Roadshow will kick off in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 22 February 2017, and the second biennial YSIAC Conference will be held on 9 June 2017.

Lim Seok Hui, CEO of SIAC and the Singapore International Mediation Centre, said, "We would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the outgoing Committee members and the former Committee members who are staying on for the new term, for their invaluable contributions, dedication and commitment. Their energy and enthusiasm was truly invigorating and it was a great pleasure to have worked with this group of dynamic young lawyers from diverse legal systems and cultures. We welcome the new YSIAC Committee and very much look forward to working closely with them to continue expanding the footprint of YSIAC to other areas of the globe."

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