

International Arbitration and Jurisprudential Clashes of the New World Titans – Australia, Singapore and Hong Kong

Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA) and Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Australia) are delighted to invite you to an evening seminar event held at the Australian Disputes Centre and by video link at the Melbourne Commercial Arbitration and Mediation Centre.

The talk will first identify the reasons for the adoption of the Model Law and how these contribute to an understanding of how the Model Law should be interpreted in an internationalist way. It will then explore the different ways each jurisdiction has adopted the Model Law and whether those differences have impacted on how the courts have approached its interpretation. This requires a historical review of all case law on the Model Law in each jurisdiction to identify the extent to which the internationalist approach has been adopted. The talk will go on to examine how the courts of each jurisdiction have decided issues relating to setting aside of awards in a uniform way. The talk is thus a comparative analysis of which of the jurisdictions have more effectively achieved the Model Law's objectives.

Please join us and Dr Lewis for a drink and nibbles following the event in Sydney.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Dr Dean Lewis, Pinsent Masons, Hong Kong

Dean Lewis is a Partner of Pinsent Masons practicing in the areas of construction and arbitration. He has lived in Hong Kong for 32 years almost all of that time with Pinsent Masons but his practice has taken him to almost every country in the region. Dean's practise primarily involves mediation and arbitration, having been involved in over 250 cases, often as advocate. He has also been advisor to the Hong Kong Construction Association for 30 years and as such has been instrumental in the lobbying of law reform in Hong Kong, in particular he was involved in drafting the Hong Kong Arbitration Ordinance that was enacted in 2011 and was recently involved in helping to redraft the Domestic Arbitration Rules of the HKIAC. He has also lobbied the Hong Kong Government for many years to enact security of payment legislation and is now involved in helping with the drafting of that legislation. Dean had a rather unusual mid-life crisis as he decided to undertake a PhD at the University of Leicester. His recently published book is based on his thesis and the lecture he proposes to deliver is based on the book.



<i>Date:</i>	19 April 2016
<i>Time:</i>	5:30pm for 6pm to 7:30pm
<i>Registration:</i>	Please RSVP to secretariat@acica.org.au by 14 April 2016.
<i>Venues:</i>	Australian Disputes Centre Level 16, 1 Castlereagh Street, Sydney Melbourne Commercial Arbitration and Mediation Centre (by video cast) 4/223 William Street, Melbourne