



ESG ADR Forum

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Launch EVENT

📅 12 December 2024 (Thu) ⌚ 9.30am - 5.00pm 📍 AIAC, KL

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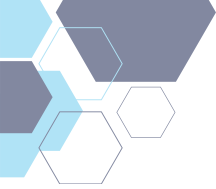


ESG ADR Forum

Sustainable Solutions, Responsible Solutions

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Embracing ESG in Dispute Resolution

Join us in launching a pioneering initiative that addresses ESG-related disputes and promotes Responsible ADR by integrating ESG principles into every aspect of dispute resolution, shaping a future of responsible and sustainable dispute resolution.

Join Us at the ESG ADR Forum Launch

The ESG ADR Forum Launch on 12 December 2024, marks the beginning of a groundbreaking initiative dedicated to integrating Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles into Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR). This exclusive event offers a unique opportunity to connect with thought leaders and industry experts who are shaping the future of responsible and sustainable dispute resolution.

Why Attend?

- Discover ESG's Role in ADR: Learn how ESG principles are transforming dispute resolution, creating meaningful change for communities and organizations worldwide.
- Engage with Global Leaders: Network with ESG and ADR experts, policymakers, and professionals committed to ethical and sustainable conflict management.
- Shape Responsible ADR: Be part of a movement that aligns dispute resolution practices with global sustainability and governance standards.

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About the ESG ADR Forum

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Forum**
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The ESG ADR Forum is a non-profit initiative founded by Legal Plus and L2 i-CON International to address the complex challenges posed by Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) issues in today's world. The Forum's mission is to advance responsible dispute resolution methods specifically tailored to ESG-related disputes and to promote Responsible ADR through ethical and sustainable practices.

Our Core Focus Areas

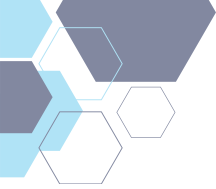
- 1. ESG-Related Disputes:** Building expertise and creating frameworks to manage disputes arising from ESG issues.
- 2. Responsible ADR:** Establishing sustainable ADR practices that align with ESG principles.

Our Mission and Vision

Our mission is to lead the evolution of dispute resolution by infusing ESG principles into ADR practices, ensuring that both the processes and outcomes reflect a commitment to sustainability, fairness, and governance. The Forum envisions a transformative approach where ADR becomes a powerful tool for social and environmental progress, aligning with global ESG goals.

Key Objectives of the ESG ADR Forum

- 1. Develop ESG ADR Model Guidelines**
 - Establish standards to integrate ESG principles within ADR frameworks.
- 2. Promote Responsible ADR**
 - Advocate for ethical and sustainable practices in dispute resolution.
- 3. Build Capacity**
 - Equip ADR professionals to address ESG-specific disputes effectively.
- 4. Create a Collaborative Network**
 - Connect global experts to advance ESG-focused ADR practices.



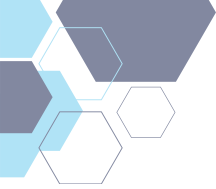
About Us



Legal Plus was set up in 2014 by YA Bhg Tun Zaki Azmi, Chief Justice of the Dubai International Financial Court in United Arab Emirates (UAE) and retired Chief Justice of Malaysia as Chairman, YBhg Tan Sri James Foong, Chairman of Ombudsman for Financial Services and retired Federal Court Judge, Malaysia and Ms Catherine Eu, retired Executive Director of the Bar Council, Malaysia as Directors. The main objective of Legal Plus is to provide continuing professional training, public seminars and events pertaining to legal issues and legal compliances for various professions, trade, industries and enterprises. For more information on Legal Plus, please visit www.legalplus.com.my.



L2 i-CON International is a dynamic and strategic platform dedicated to organising global professional events aimed at fostering growth and facilitating networking opportunities. Founded by Lam Wai Loon of Harold & Lam Partnership and Leong Hong Kit of MAC Consultant, our company brings together a wealth of experience and expertise. Spearheaded by our director, Cindy Wong, we are proud to be a powerhouse in the industry, successfully organising numerous groundbreaking events since 2020. With an impressive track record, we have not only facilitated the growth and expansion of our community internationally but also emerged as a driving force in connecting professionals worldwide. With a commitment to excellence, L2 i-CON International serves as a catalyst for meaningful connections, business development, and impactful global engagement.



About Our Strategic Partner



Promoting Legal Excellence and Advancing Responsible ADR

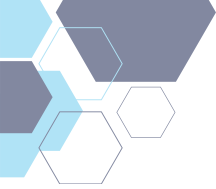
The Inns of Court Malaysia (ICM), established in 2016, is a premier professional body dedicated to fostering fellowship, mentorship, and continuous legal education within the Malaysian legal community. ICM is committed to upholding the highest standards of ethical values and professional excellence among judges, lawyers, academics, and other legal professionals.

As the Strategic Partner for the ESG ADR Forum, ICM brings its esteemed leadership and extensive network to promote the integration of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles into alternative dispute resolution (ADR) practices. This collaboration reflects a shared commitment to advancing responsible ADR that aligns with global sustainability and ethical governance standards.

Key Contributions of ICM to the ESG ADR Forum:

- Co-developing the Responsible ADR Award, recognizing legal firms that demonstrate excellence in ESG-aligned ADR practices.
- Jointly advocating for ESG and ADR integration through thought leadership, publications, and policy recommendations.
- Enhancing the regional prominence of Malaysian legal professionals as leaders in sustainable dispute resolution.

Through this partnership, ICM and the ESG ADR Forum are creating a transformative platform that positions Malaysia as a regional hub for ethical and responsible ADR practices. Together, they aim to foster innovative approaches to dispute resolution that address the unique challenges of ESG-related dispute.



About Our Industry Partner



Driving Sustainable Impact and Empowering Public Sectors

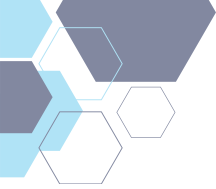
CIC Consultancy, established in 1995, is a trusted advisory firm dedicated to empowering public sector organizations with innovative and sustainable solutions. With decades of experience, CIC specializes in integrating Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles into governance and operations, positioning itself as a leader in advancing responsible practices across emerging markets.

As the Industry Partner for the ESG ADR Forum, CIC leverages its deep expertise in ESG strategy and public sector governance to support the Forum's mission of fostering ethical and sustainable approaches to dispute resolution. This collaboration highlights a shared commitment to creating impactful, ESG-aligned solutions for complex global challenges.

Key Contributions of CIC to the ESG ADR Forum:

- Offering strategic insights into ESG integration and ADR practices to shape the Forum's initiatives.
- Collaborating on thought leadership efforts to advocate for responsible governance and sustainable dispute resolution.
- Enhancing the Forum's outreach through its robust network of public sector and industry leaders.

With nearly three decades of excellence, CIC Consultancy and the ESG ADR Forum are leading the way in ESG-aligned ADR, positioning Malaysia as a regional hub for sustainable and ethical dispute resolution practices. Together, they are shaping a future where governance and sustainability converge to create meaningful global impact.



Event Agenda

8.45 am Registration

9.30 am **Welcome & Opening Remarks**

9.50 am **Keynote Speech and Launch**

10.20 am **Strategic Vision and Direction of the Steering Committee**

10.50 am **ESG Award Presentation**

11.05 am Coffee Break

11.15 am **Roundtable: Malaysia's ESG Roadmaps and Ethical Social & Governance**

In this roundtable discussion, Malaysia's ESG Roadmaps and Ethical Social & Governance, top leaders from Malaysia's key national organizations will come together to discuss the country's comprehensive strategies for embedding Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles within public and private sectors. This session provides an exclusive look at how Malaysia is advancing sustainable development, ethical governance, and social responsibility in alignment with global standards. This roundtable is a must-attend for anyone interested in understanding how Malaysia's ESG initiatives are evolving, the role of ethical governance, and the integration of human rights as a fundamental pillar of responsible development. Attendees will gain invaluable insights into Malaysia's approach to ESG, the collaborative efforts among national institutions, and the pathways toward creating a sustainable, ethical future that enhances Malaysia's global ESG reputation.

12.30 pm Lunch Break

1.30 pm **Panel Discussion 1: Resolving ESG-Related Disputes through ADR**

With the growing emphasis on compliance with Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles, disputes in this domain are becoming increasingly complex and impactful. This panel discussion will delve into how ADR can serve as an effective tool to address such disputes. Panelists will share real-world examples of ESG disputes, exploring practical solutions and strategies to manage them effectively, providing attendees with valuable insights into navigating the evolving ESG landscape.

3.00 pm Coffee Break



Event Agenda

3.15 pm

Panel Discussion 2: Driving the Future of Responsible ADR

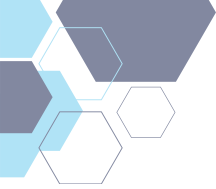
This panel delves into Responsible ADR, an innovative approach to Alternative Dispute Resolution that integrates Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles to create sustainable, fair, and ethical conflict resolution processes. By aligning ADR with responsible practices, this approach seeks to reduce environmental impact, promote inclusivity, and uphold strong governance standards, ensuring that the resolution process itself embodies values of sustainability, integrity, and social responsibility. This discussion will explore how ADR can evolve with these principles to support sustainable business practices, build trust, and contribute to a fairer, more responsible approach to resolving disputes. Join us to learn how Responsible ADR can be a powerful tool in promoting ethical governance and advancing ESG goals in dispute resolution.

4.45 pm

Closing Remarks

5.00 pm

End and Networking Session



MEET OUR MODERATORS & SPEAKERS

ROUNDTABLE

Malaysia's ESG Roadmaps and Ethical Social & Governance



**DATO' SERI DR.
AHMAD JAILANI
MUHAMED YUNUS**

Chairman,
Public Service
Commission
of Malaysia



**YM TENGKU
MOHAMED
FAUZI HAMID**

Vice Chairman,
Human Rights
Commission of
Malaysia
(SUHAKAM)



**MOHD YAZID
ABDUL MAJID**

Director of Modern
Management and
Technology,
Malaysia Productivity
Corporation



HAMIZAH HAMZAH

Chief Strategy Officer,
CIC Capital Consultancy
Chair of the Centre for
Sustainability Research
(ESG & Technology)

PANEL 1

Resolving ESG-Related Disputes through ADR

MODERATOR



ANIL CHANGAROTH

Co-Head, Environment, Social
& Governance (ESG) and
Building, Construction &
Projects Practices,
RHTLawAsia, and Steering
Committee Member, ESG
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International Legal
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Committee Member,
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THAM LAI LAI

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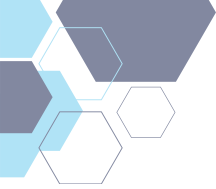
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PANEL 2

Driving the Future of Responsible ADR

CO-MODERATOR



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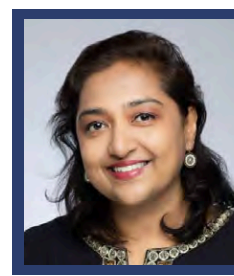
Senior Partner, Zain Megat & Murad, Founding Member, ESG ADR Forum's Steering Committee, and Director of its Professional Advancement and Community Engagement (PACE) Initiative.

CO-MODERATOR



KEE MENG FAI

Partner, Belden Advocates & Solicitors and Committee Member, ESG ADR Forum



SHANTI ABRAHAM

Founder, Shanti Abraham & Associates and Protem Committee Member, AIAC Court of Arbitration



PHAN TRONG DAT

Acting Director, Vietnam Mediator Centre (VMC)



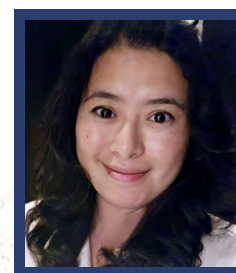
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President, Philippine International Center for Conflict Resolution (PICCR)



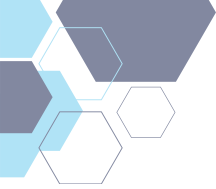
FANITA MATH

Secretary General, National Commercial Arbitration Centre (NCAC), Kingdom of Cambodia



SHARIFAH SHAZUWIN

Manager, Borneo International Centre for Arbitration and Mediation



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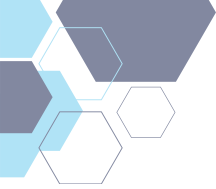
DATO' SERI DR. AHMAD JAILANI MUHAMED YUNUS
Chairman, Public Service Commission of Malaysia

Dato' Seri Dr. Ahmad Jailani, the Chairman of the Public Service Commission, is a visionary leader with over 30 years of exemplary service in the Malaysian government. His career highlights include roles such as Chief Secretary at the Ministry of Rural Development and State Secretary of Penang, demonstrating his dedication to national development and public service excellence. A staunch advocate for Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles, Dato' Seri Dr. Ahmad Jailani holds a PhD in Landscape Ecology and Environmental Management from Hiroshima University, Japan. His advocacy for sustainability and ethical governance has made a lasting impact on public administration. Dato' Seri Dr. Ahmad Jailani is also the co-author of the acclaimed ESG Leadership in Public Sectors: A Practical Handbook for Public Administrators. This book, which received forewords from prominent figures including the Governor of Penang and the Minister of Investment, Trade & Industry, is a comprehensive guide for integrating ESG principles into governance. It reflects his visionary approach to fostering sustainability and ethical leadership in the public sector. Dato' Seri Dr. Ahmad Jailani's thought leadership continues to shape ESG-driven governance strategies, making him a key voice in advancing sustainability in Malaysia and beyond.



YM TENGKU MOHAMED FAUZI HAMID
Vice Chairman, Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM)

YM Tengku Mohamed Fauzi Hamid is currently Vice Chairman of the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM) since June, 2024. At SUHAKAM from August, 2022, he is actively involved on issues of climate change and environment, covering SDG, ESG, Business Human Rights (BHR), policies and legislations. He has presented papers at the PETRONAS's Legal Conference on ESG in Kuala Lumpur in February, 2023; GANHRI's International Conference on Climate Change and Human Rights in Doha (Qatar) in February, 2023; Just Transition to Green Economy in May, 2023, in Kuala Lumpur; and Climate Change and Human Rights: The Role of NHRIs in November, 2023, Taipei Taiwan. He actively participates in Palestinian human rights issues, especially after the war on Gaza of October 7, 2023. Since 2007 he is Chairman of Crawford Malaysia, part of the Atlanta (U.S.) based Crawford & Company, one of the world's leading insurance services companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange. He is President of the Malaysian Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society (MBRAS) from 2016. Established in 1877, MBRAS's activities involve collecting and publishing information on traditional cultural heritage of Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei and surrounding regions. He is in law practice for the past 40 years.



ROUNDTABLE

Malaysia's ESG Roadmaps and Ethical Social & Governance



MOHD YAZID ABDUL MAJID

Director of Modern Management and Technology,
Malaysia Productivity Corporation

With over 20 years of experience, he has made significant contributions to enhancing productivity and competitiveness in both the corporate and government sectors. His career encompasses key roles that have driven regulatory improvements, promoted industry competitiveness and advanced digital transformation initiatives. From 2004 to 2007, he evaluated manufacturing companies as a Productivity Award Assessor for MPC. Between 2008 and 2011, at MPC Terengganu, he managed state projects and companies. In his 2011-2018 tenure with the Smart Regulation Department, Yazid focused on establishing Good Regulatory Practice (GRP) policies in Malaysia and spearheaded regulatory reviews in key economic sector. He extensively used the Reducing Unnecessary Regulatory Burdens (RURB) methodology, aiding in streamlining government regulations. His pivotal role in the Focus Groups for Construction Permits and Getting Electricity under PEMUDAH led to Malaysia's Improved Ease of Doing Business rankings in 2017. From 2018-2020, as the secretariat of the Electrical and Electronics Productivity Nexus, he promoted competitiveness in the E&E sector. Presently, as the Director of Management Service and Finance, he advances the MPC Go Digital Programme and oversees the Technology and Management Section, enhancing national productivity through technology adoption and improved management practices.



HAMIZAH HAMZAH

Chief Strategy Officer, CIC Capital Consultancy and Chair of the
Centre for Sustainability Research (ESG & Technology)

Hamizah Hamzah is the Chief Strategy Officer at CIC Capital Consultancy, a leading Malaysian advisory firm dedicated to sustainability and innovation. She is also the newly appointed Chair of the Centre for Sustainability Research (ESG & Technology), a non-profit organization focused on advancing ESG and technological solutions. Hamizah holds a Bachelor of Laws and a Master of Laws, specializing in ADR during her time as an advocate and solicitor. She has also completed the GRI Certified Training Program and enhanced her expertise with certification in ESG Leadership. Her extensive work includes spearheading ESG initiatives in collaboration with public sector institutions, notably leading the development of the Standard Guidelines for ESG Reporting for Public Sectors in partnership with the University of Malaya (UM), collaborating with the Centre for Global Sustainability Studies (CGSS) of Universiti Sains Malaysia on impactful sustainability initiatives and creating micro-credential training programs with universities to enable working professionals to upskill. As co-author of ESG Leadership in Public Sectors: A Practical Handbook for Public Administrators, she provides actionable insights for embedding ESG principles into governance frameworks. The book, featuring forewords by the Governor of Penang and the Minister of Investment, Trade, and Industry, highlights her commitment to sustainable governance. Hamizah also leads the MYESG Forums, a vital platform uniting policymakers, industry leaders, and academics to address ESG challenges and opportunities. Hamizah's expertise in forging strategic partnerships and advancing public sector sustainability makes her a vital contributor to ESG progress in Malaysia and beyond.

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Resolving ESG-Related Disputes through ADR

MODERATOR

**ANIL CHANGAROTH**

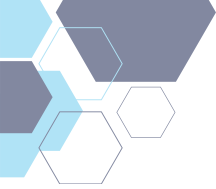
Co-Head, Environment, Social & Governance (ESG) and Building, Construction & Projects Practices, RHTLawAsia, and Steering Committee Member, ESG ADR Forum

Anil Changaroth (FCIArb FSIArb, FPIArb) an internationally accredited Mediator, Arbitrator, Adjudicator, Dispute Board, Restorative Justice and Online Dispute Resolution practitioner, is RHTLawAsia's Co-Head of its Environmental, Social and Governances (ESG), Building/Construction/Projects and Logistics practices/industry groups. An Advocate and Solicitor of Singapore, Solicitor of England and Wales and having qualified as a Barrister (Middle Temple England), Anil also holds a Masters of Science in Construction Law & Dispute Resolution (King's College London & National University of Singapore). His practices in Asia Pacific primarily in Civil, Commercial, and Criminal Dispute Resolution and front-end contract advisory with a focus on Infrastructure, Building and Construction industry and has also practiced in house with the then Davis Langdon and Seah (Quantity Surveyors) and international arbitration practising law firm. Anil is also trained in Investor State Arbitration & Mediation; multicultural, commercial and family Mediation; holds/training for graduate certificates in Sustainability Strategies and Green Economy and Law and Technology, Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning (both from Singapore Management University), Restorative Justice (International Institute of Restorative Practice) Diversity Equity and Inclusion (Cambridge Judge Business School) and regularly speaks and train internationally on Construction Law, Appropriate Dispute Resolution and ESG. He is the honorary Legal Advisor to the Singapore Institute of Architects and Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers; on the Society of Construction Law (Singapore)'s council since 2008; the Singapore Representative of Dispute Resolution Board Foundation; and is currently the Law Society of Singapore's chair of its new ESG Working Group.

**RODNEY GERARD D'CRUZ**

Partner, Adnan Sundra & Low

Rodney's experience includes banking and finance, corporate finance, capital market financing, project finance, securitisation, mergers and acquisitions and project advisory work. He has inter-alia led and been involved in the issuance of Islamic and conventional capital market instruments and also acted as underwriters and arrangers counsel in many significant and market leading Malaysian Initial Public Offerings such as the listing of Petronas Chemicals Group Berhad, Malaysia Marine Heavy Engineering Berhad and Malakoff Corporation Berhad. Rodney's mergers and acquisition work includes the acquisition of the concession rights and assets of a concession expressway under liquidation and his project advisory work includes infrastructure/utilities project agreements. This includes his appointment by a national water services contractor to advise on legal issues arising from the transition of its appointment as operations and maintenance contractor for the largest water treatment plant in Malaysia from a concession based appointment to a regulatory framework based appointment. The plant is of significant national strategic importance and possesses a daily treatment capacity of nine-hundred and fifty million (950,000,000) litres of treated water supplied to some three million (3,000,000) residents.



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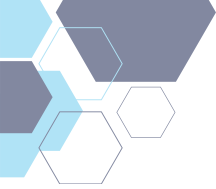
Abhi practices all areas of ESG and Tax Law, with a focus on disputes and administrative challenges. He is the current Chair of the ESG Committee and the Deputy Chair of the Tax and Customs Law Committee of the Malaysian Bar. Abhi regularly acts for the Malaysian Bar in public interest matters before the Courts and sits on the Strategic Litigation Committee of the Bar. He advises clients particularly in the areas of ESG Compliance, Carbon Trading and Sustainability Incentives. He is currently representing the Malaysian Bar as amicus curiae in one of the first judicial review challenges before the Federal Court on the excision of permanent forests in Malaysia. He has appeared at all levels of the Malaysian Courts and has acted in a number of leading Malaysian tax cases, including on the criminal tax liability of company directors. He has been recognised as a Recommended Lawyer in Tax by The Legal 500. Abhi frequently conducts training for lawyers, professional bodies and corporations on ESG and Tax Law and is a regular speaker for the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Department of the Malaysian Bar.



KIU JIA YAW

Partner, Kiu & Co. and Steering Committee Member, ESG ADR Forum

Jia Yaw is a sustainable development lawyer. He advises policymakers and leaders from government, business and non-profit sectors on a range of issues related to sustainable development. He is a Fellow of the Academy of Sciences Malaysia. He is part of the team presently developing the National Planetary Health Action Plan. Jia Yaw serves as the Co-Chair of the Malaysian CSO-SDG Alliance, a network of more than 90 civil society organisations whose work relate to the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Member organisations work across various themes and include WWF Malaysia, National Council of Women's Organisations (NCWO), Angkatan Belia Islam Malaysia (ABIM) and the Malaysian Youth Council. The Alliance is a partner to the Government of Malaysia with regard to the national implementation of the SDGs. It serves as an independent voice of civil society in advancing the SDGs in Malaysia. He chairs the Bar Council Environment and Climate Change Committee which works on environmental justice and climate change. The Committee is a member of the Consultative Panel on Climate Change of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environmental Sustainability. For the past 2 years, Jia Yaw has been a judge of the annual sustainability awards organised by the UN Global Compact Network Malaysia & Brunei. He is a founding member of CERAH, a civil society group driving systemic change to combat transboundary haze pollution. His work with CERAH led to a landmark complaint with the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM), resulting in the publication of a report on haze pollution and the right to clean air. Jia Yaw serves on the ESG Committee of the Kuala Lumpur & Selangor Chinese Chamber of Commerce & Industry (KLSCCCI) and is a Resource Person of the All-Party Parliamentary Group of Malaysia on the Sustainable Development Goals (APPGM-SDG), working with parliamentarians to advance the SDGs across Malaysia.



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THAM LAI LAI

Head, Compliance & Legal Compliance, Risk & Legal Division,
AHAM Asset Management Berhad

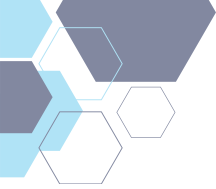
Tham Lai Lai, holding a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) from the University of Sheffield, UK, is a seasoned compliance and legal expert with a deep commitment to regulatory standards and a keen interest in ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) issues. Currently serving as the Head of Compliance and Legal at AHAM Asset Management, Lai Lai is responsible for overseeing compliance policies across diverse business areas, ensuring stringent adherence to regulatory requirements. In her role, she acts as the company's AML (Anti-Money Laundering) Officer, Data Protection Officer, and Registered Compliance Officer with the Securities Commission Malaysia. With over a decade of experience in legal advisory and compliance, Lai Lai has successfully established and managed AML and data protection programs, safeguarding the company's reputation while meeting regulatory standards. Her work also involves ensuring ESG compliance, making her an ideal speaker for discussions on resolving ESG-related disputes through Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR). Lai Lai's insights will highlight how ADR can effectively manage conflicts in areas such as climate, labor rights, and governance, offering practical, compliance-driven solutions.



DJAMEL EL AKRA

International Legal Expert and Arbitrator and Steering Committee
Member, ESG ADR Forum

Mr. Djamel El Akra is a distinguished French legal expert with a rich international profile and a decade-long tenure in Asia. He is a registered arbitrator at esteemed institutions like NCAC, THAC, and BICAM, and a mediator at AIAC, ADR ODR, and WIPO. His expertise is further acknowledged by VIAC, where he's listed as a practitioner in International Mediation and ADR. His professional journey spans roles as in-house counsel and advisor, with a focus on sectors such as energy, infrastructure, and intellectual property rights. In Asia, he's known for aiding investors with land rights, due diligence for renewable energy projects, and establishing joint ventures. Djamel's leadership is reflected in his roles as Secretary General of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry France Cambodia and Chairman of the Human Resources Committee of the European Chamber of Commerce of Cambodia. He is currently a member of the Education and Training committee of the NCAC. He holds a Master's in International Business Law, a Master's in Japanese Language and Chinese Studies. His doctoral studies focus on public-private partnerships in ASEAN. His academic dedication shines through his 12-year tenure as a law lecturer at the Royal University of Law and Economics, in collaboration with Paris Panthéon-Assas and Lyon 2 Universities. His profile is a testament to his commitment to legal excellence and international arbitration and mediation.



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GEORGE CHAPMAN

Senior Vice President, Legal & Compliance, Sarawak Energy

George Chapman assumed the role of Senior Vice President for our Legal & Compliance Department on 1 December 2023, leading his team and overseeing the legal, corporate secretarial, land & wayleave, as well as integrity & compliance aspects of Sarawak Energy's functions and operations. A seasoned legal professional, George was a legal practitioner from 1995 until he joined Sarawak Energy in 2012. In his previous roles from Senior Legal Officer to General Manager for Legal, he demonstrated legal acumen, strategic decision-making and strong leadership qualities. He is also a certified adjudicator, empanelled with the Asian International Arbitration Centre, Malaysia.

PANEL 2

Driving the Future of Responsible ADR

CO-MODERATOR



ANDREW HENG

Senior Partner, Zain Megat & Murad, Founding Member, ESG ADR Forum's Steering Committee, and Director of its Professional Advancement and Community Engagement (PACE) Initiative

Andrew is a Senior Partner at Messrs. Zain Megat & Murad (ZMM) and leads the Construction & Energy team. He provides both litigation and advisory services to clients in the construction, infrastructure, renewable energy, environmental, banking and insurance, property development as well as manufacturing industries. Andrew represents clients across a spectrum of construction disputes in arbitrations, adjudications and courts, including applications pursuant to the Arbitration Act 2005 and Construction Industry Payment and Adjudication Act 2012, restraining demands on performance bonds and construction related tortious claims (professional negligence, occupiers' liability, nuisance and trespass). Andrew's experience includes handling disputes arising from construction of airport, highway, rails infrastructure, waste to energy plant, large scale solar plant, solid waste treatment plant, wastewater treatment plant and electrical transmission towers. Andrew also advised both international and local clients on compliance of regulatory requirements by the Construction Industry Development Board. Andrew is also an accredited Adjudicator empanelled with the Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC) and a mediator empanelled with the AIAC and the Malaysian International Mediation Centre (MIMC). Andrew holds a Bachelor of Law from the University of London and a Master of Law from the University of Northumbria. He was admitted to the Bar in England and Wales in 2006 and the Malaysian Bar in 2008.

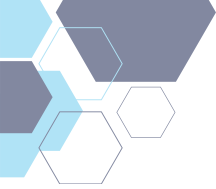
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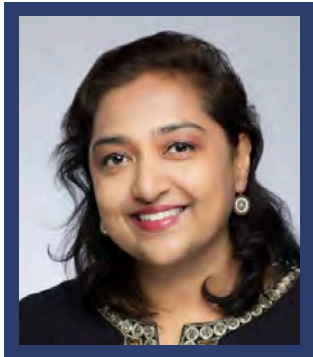
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Kee Meng Fai is a partner of Belden, specializing in construction, energy, and infrastructure law. He has over 15 years' experience in this specialist area, having practised in Singapore and Malaysia. Meng Fai appears regularly in international and domestic arbitrations as well as appellate courts of Malaysia. Apart from dispute resolution, his practice includes drafting and advising on construction contracts, offering valuable guidance on project management for a wide range of infrastructure projects, such as urban transport, high-value commercial developments and mixed-use projects. He empowers his clients through training to strengthen their in-house legal and project management capabilities. Meng Fai is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb), a panel arbitrator of the Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC) and an accredited AIAC adjudicator.



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SHANTI ABRAHAM

Founder, Shanti Abraham & Associates and Protem Committee Member, AIAC Court of Arbitration

Shanti Abraham is a lawyer of nearly 30 years' standing. She is called to both the Malaysian and Singapore Bars. She is a director of IGAB (the Malaysian branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators). Shanti was recently appointed to the Pro-Tem Committee of the AIAC Court of Arbitration. She has an active corporate and dispute resolution legal practice in Kuala Lumpur. Shanti is an arbitrator, mediator, and adjudicator with various institutions in Malaysia and overseas. Shanti is an International Mediator with the Singapore International Mediation Centre and Singapore Mediation Centre, where she is a Principal Mediator and trainer. She is also an international mediator with AAA-ICDR (American Arbitration Association), among others. She helped design and manage the Malaysian government's Covid-19 Mediation Programme previously, and she is now part of a working group looking at the revamp of the Malaysian Mediation Act.



PHAN TRONG DAT

Acting Director, Vietnam Mediator Centre (VMC)

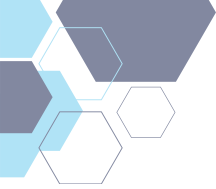
Mr. Phan Trong Dat has nearly fifteen years of practical experience in the field of commercial arbitration and commercial mediation and currently holds the position of Acting Director of the Vietnam Mediation Centre. He has worked closely with hundreds of arbitration panels at VIAC, while continuing to hone his practical knowledge of commercial arbitration and commercial mediation. He has devoted his expertise and experiences to the drafting process of 2012 and 2017 versions of VIAC's Arbitration Rules and to the Commercial Mediation and Financial Arbitration Project with Word Bank Group, Selection of Arbitral Awards, 2014, and Contractual dispute resolution – Must-knows of businesses, 2015. Mr. Dat is also a highly qualified academic and regularly delivers presentations and lectures (as visiting lecturer) on arbitration procedures and dispute resolution skills at conferences and training courses conducted by law universities, Vietnam Bar Association, American Chamber of Commerce, Vietnam Banker Association, VCCI, etc.



ATTY. SIXTO JOSE C. ANTONIO

President, Philippine International Center for Conflict Resolution (PICCR)

Atty. Antonio is the Former Governor of the Integrated Bar of the Philippines for the Southern Luzon Region and currently serves as President of the Philippine International Center for Conflict Resolution (PICCR). He is a Council Member and Co-Chair of the Committee on Updates in Construction Laws for the Society of Construction Law of the Philippines, as well as the Founding and Managing Partner of Antonio & Revilla Law Firm. Atty. Antonio is also a Lecturer and accredited Arbitrator with the Office of Alternative Dispute Resolution (OADR) under the Department of Justice. He has been appointed by various branches of the Regional Trial Court of the Philippines as a Rehabilitation Receiver and Special Administrator.



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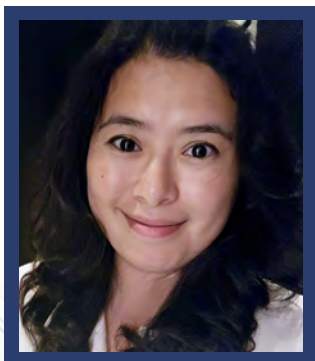
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FANITA MATH

Secretary General, National Commercial Arbitration Centre (NCAC), Kingdom of Cambodia

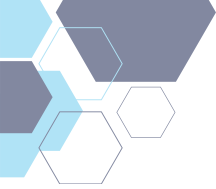
Fanita MATH is a young, dynamic Cambodian legal professional who has gained a wealth of experience in various roles within the education and legal sectors. Fanita MATH began working as a legal officer at the National Commercial Arbitration Centre (NCAC) in the Kingdom of Cambodia in 2018. She was also responsible for the organization of training and events for the NCAC. In 2021, she got promoted to Deputy Secretary General and subsequently Secretary General at the end of 2022, where she oversees the NCAC's day-to-day operations, manages cases, staff recruitment, and is responsible for all financial management and reporting. Prior to her involvement in the world of arbitration, she was appointed as a school director at the age of 24 years old, where she got the opportunity to manage the whole school and deal with complaints. This management experience has served her greatly in her current position at the NCAC.



SHARIFAH SHAZUWIN

Manager, Borneo International Centre for Arbitration and Mediation

Sharifah currently manages the Borneo International Centre for Arbitration and Mediation (BICAM). She was previously a Senior Case Counsel and held the same position at the Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC) before joining BICAM.



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